FISCAL NOTE

This bill repeals the Budget Reserve Account (BRA) effective July 1, 2026, after the end of the fiscal year (FY) 2025-2026 biennium.

This bill transfers the balance from the BRA to the General Fund on July 1, 2026. The estimated balance of the BRA transferred to the General Fund is \$152,555,000. Any funds directed by law to be deposited or reverted to the BRA would be deposited in the General Fund. Any funds appropriated or obligated from the BRA would be paid from the General Fund.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT			
Anticipated Revenue increase/(decrease)			
GENERAL FUND (FMRs)	\$0	\$210,500,000	\$188,200,000
BUDGET RESERVE ACCOUNT (FMRs)	\$0	(\$210,500,000)	(\$188,200,000)
GENERAL FUND (Severance Taxes)	\$0	\$155,100,000	\$139,100,000
BUDGET RESERVE ACCOUNT (Severance Taxes)	\$0	(\$155,100,000)	(\$139,100,000)

Source of revenue increase and (decrease):

Effective July 1, 2026, this bill redirects federal mineral royalty (FMR) distributions (W.S. 9-4-601(d)(iv)) and severance tax distributions (W.S. 39-14-801(d)) that would have been deposited within the BRA to the General Fund, resulting in an estimated revenue decrease to the BRA of \$365,600,000 in FY 2027 and \$327,300,000 in FY 2028, and a corresponding revenue increase to the General Fund. The above table illustrates the estimated revenue impact, by revenue source and fund, for FY 2027 and FY 2028.

Assumptions:

The revenue estimates utilize the January 2025 Consensus Revenue Estimating Group forecast for FMRs and severance taxes. The balance of the BRA is based on the January 13, 2025 LSO fiscal profile inclusive of the Governor's FY 2025-2026 biennium supplemental budget recommendations.

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