## HOUSE BILL 658

Introduced by Bachini, et al.

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ouse BILL NO. 658 1 TRODUCED BY 2 BILL) FOR AN THE NATA OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, 5 QUALIFIED **EDECTORS** SECTION 9, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT THE 6 7 CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS; AND 8 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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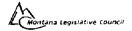
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 10

Section 1. Article X, section 9, of The Constitution of 11 the State of Montana is amended to read: 12

13 "Section 9. Boards of education. (1) There is a state 14 board of education composed of the board of regents of 15 higher education and the board of public education. It is 16 responsible for long-range planning, and for coordinating 17 and evaluating policies and programs for the state's educational systems. It shall submit unified budget 18 requests. A tie vote at any meeting may be broken by the 19 20 governor, who is an ex officio member of each component 21 board.

22 (2) (a) The government--and--control management of the 23 Montana university system is vested in a board of regents of 24 higher education as provided by law, which shall--have--full 25 power7---responsibility7---and---authority---to---suptrvise7



coordinate,-manage-and-control-the-Montana-university-system 1 2 and shall also supervise and coordinate other public 3 educational institutions assigned by law.

4 (b) The board consists of seven members appointed by the governor, and confirmed by the senate, to overlapping 5 6 terms, as provided by law. The governor and superintendent 7 of public instruction are ex officio non-voting members of 8 the board.

(c) The board shall appoint a commissioner of higher 9 education and prescribe his term and duties. 10

11 (d) The funds and appropriations under the control of 12 the board of regents are subject to the same audit 13 provisions as are all other state funds.

(3) (a) There is a board of public education to 14 15 exercise general supervision over the public school system 16 and such other public educational institutions as may be 17 assigned by law. Other duties of the board shall be provided 18 by law.

(b) The board consists of seven members appointed by 19 20 the governor, and confirmed by the senate, to overlapping 21 terms as provided by law. The governor, commissioner of 22 higher education and state superintendent of public instruction shall be ex officio non-voting members of the 23 24 board."

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. If approved by 25

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1 the electorate, this amendment is effective July 1, 1993.
2 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 3. Submission to electorate. This
3 amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of
4 Montana at the general election to be held in November 1992
5 by printing on the ballot the full title of this act and the
6 following:

FOR limiting the constitutional authority of the board of regents of higher education.

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AGAINST limiting the constitutional authority of the board of regents of higher education.

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