

SENATE BILL NO. 180

INTRODUCED BY WATERMAN, BLAYLOCK, CRIPPEN, BRADLEY,  
WALLIN, STICKNEY, J. RICE, MAZUREK

IN THE SENATE

JANUARY 23, 1991                   INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL RESOURCES.

                                      FIRST READING.

JANUARY 31, 1991                   COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL  
DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.

FEBRUARY 1, 1991                   PRINTING REPORT.

FEBRUARY 2, 1991                   SECOND READING, DO PASS.

FEBRUARY 4, 1991                   ENGROSSING REPORT.

                                      THIRD READING, PASSED.  
                                      AYES, 49; NOES, 0.

                                      TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 5, 1991                   INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE  
ON EDUCATION & CULTURAL RESOURCES.

                                      FIRST READING.

MARCH 9, 1991                      COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE  
CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.

                                      POSTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR.

MARCH 11, 1991                    CONSENT CALENDAR, QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

MARCH 12, 1991                    THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.  
                                      AYES, 96; NOES, 0.

                                      RETURNED TO SENATE.

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MARCH 13, 1991                    RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

                                      SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *180*  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Wagner* *Waters* *Blaylock*  
 3 *Coy* *Bradley* *Winters* *Hickory* *J. Rice* *Thompson*  
 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE BOARD OF  
 5 TRUSTEES OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN ITS GROUP BENEFITS  
 6 PLAN ON AN ACTUARIALLY SOUND BASIS; AMENDING SECTION  
 7 2-18-702, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."  
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 12 officers. (1) All counties, cities, towns, school districts,  
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 14 vote of their respective officers and employees enter into  
 15 group hospitalization, medical, health, including long-term  
 16 disability, accident, and/or group life insurance contracts  
 17 or plans for the benefit of their officers and employees and  
 18 their dependents.

19 (2) State employees and elected officials, as defined  
 20 in 2-18-701, may participate in such state employee group  
 21 benefit plans as are provided for under part 8 of this  
 22 chapter.

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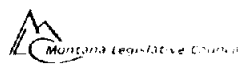
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 2 wages of each officer or employee who elects to become  
 3 insured, on the officer's or employee's written order, and  
 4 issue his warrant therefor to the insurer.

5 (4) For the purpose of this section, the plans of  
 6 health service corporations for defraying or assuming the  
 7 cost of professional services of licentiates in the field of  
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 9 or both professional and hospital services shall be  
 10 construed as group insurance and the dues payable under such  
 11 plans shall be construed as premiums therefor.

12 (5) If the board of trustees of a school district or  
 13 the board of regents implements an alternative to  
 14 conventional insurance to provide group benefits to its  
 15 employees, the board shall maintain the alternative plan on  
 16 an actuarially sound basis."

17 NEW SECTION. **Section 2.** Effective date. [This act] is  
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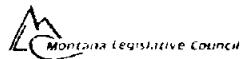
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