

1 House JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 62
 2 INTRODUCED BY Holmes M. Anderson

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 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CALLING FOR A STUDY
 6 OF THE PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY AND THE LICENSING OF
 7 PSYCHOLOGISTS.

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 9 WHEREAS, the question of the licensure of psychologists
 10 has never been adequately addressed in Montana; and

11 WHEREAS, the practice of psychology in Montana affects
 12 the public health, safety, and welfare; and

13 WHEREAS, repeated attempts have been made in
 14 legislative sessions to reconcile the desires of licensed
 15 psychologists to uphold the standards of their profession
 16 with the desires of masters degree level counseling
 17 personnel for accreditation.

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 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
 20 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

21 That, the Governor appoint a three-member study
 22 commission, one member of which shall be a nonlicensed
 23 psychologist, one member of which shall be a licensed
 24 psychologist, and one member of which shall be a lay person.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study commission

1 investigate the issue of licensing psychologists to practice
 2 in Montana and its ramifications.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the study
 4 commission be reimbursed for their expenses from the
 5 earmarked revenue account of the Board of Psychologists.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study commission
 7 report its findings and recommendations to the 46th
 8 Legislature.

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INTRODUCED BILL

HJR 62

STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 483-77

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received Feb. 14, 1977, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HJR 62 pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly. Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

A resolution calling for a study of the practice of psychology and the licensing of psychologists.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. The 3 member study commission will meet for 5 days.
- 2. Members will receive actual and necessary expense reimbursement, and no compensation.
- 3. Using assumed areas of Billings, Great Falls, and Missoula, travel expenses will average approximately \$130 per day per member.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Minimum Operating expenses for 3 members x 5 days @ \$130 per day

FY78
\$1,950

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