

Senate JOINT RESOLUTION NO. *8*

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4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA DIRECTING AN
6 AMENDMENT TO RULE 40-3.54(14)-554050 OF THE MONTANA
7 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO PERMIT A LICENSED ACUPUNCTURIST TO
8 TREAT A PATIENT WITH ACUPUNCTURE WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT
9 THAT A PERSON LICENSED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN
10 THE STATE OF MONTANA FIRST HAVE PRESCRIBED ACUPUNCTURE
11 TREATMENT FOR THE PATIENT.

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14 of Medical Examiners regulating the practice of acupuncture
15 require that a person licensed to practice medicine and
16 surgery in the State of Montana shall first have prescribed
17 acupuncture treatment to a patient before a licensed
18 acupuncturist can treat the patient with acupuncture; and

19 WHEREAS, this rule is arbitrary in that it causes a
20 great injustice on citizens of Montana who desire to receive
21 acupuncture treatment; and

22 WHEREAS, this rule is against public policy in that it
23 fails to recognize the right of citizens of Montana to
24 choose the type of medical treatment they desire.

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

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4 directed to proceed within 30 days to amend Rule
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