

Senate JOINT RESOLUTION NO. *12*
INTRODUCED BY *Rasmussen Hagan Ober*

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING MONTANA STATE
3 AGENCIES THAT COLLECT LAND USE DATA TO COOPERATE IN
4 PRODUCING AN ANNUAL COMPILATION OF THIS DATA.

5 WHEREAS, Montana is experiencing rapid changes in the
6 use of land; and

7 WHEREAS, changing land use trends may intensify due to
8 projected population increases, the changing mix of economic
9 activity, and increasing demands for the products and
10 commodities from Montana's land base; and

11 WHEREAS, the use of land is the most important factor
12 affecting the quality of our natural, social, and economic
13 environment; and

14 WHEREAS, the Departments of Revenue, Community Affairs,
15 Agriculture, Health and Environmental Sciences, and Natural
16 Resources and Conservation and other state agencies receive
17 data reflecting changes in land use and ownership.

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

20 That the Legislature recognizes the need for current

1 land use information and urges the Departments of Revenue,
2 Community Affairs, Agriculture, Health and Environmental
3 Sciences, and Natural Resources and Conservation to
4 cooperate in producing an annual compilation of county land
5 use data recording trends in ownership and use patterns of
6 Montana's agricultural and forest lands.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a primary purpose of this
8 effort is to avoid future duplication of land use data
9 collection efforts.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compiled data include
11 levels of subdivision activity indicated by plat filings
12 with the Department of Community Affairs and other changes
13 in land use to irreversible uses.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the data be made available
15 to the public by January 1 of each year, beginning in 1978.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State
17 send a copy of this resolution to the Governor and the
18 Directors of the executive departments enumerated herein.

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INTRODUCED BILL

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 163-77

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 24, 19 77, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for Senate Joint Resolution 12 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 RESOLUTION:

A joint resolution urging state government agencies that collect land use data to cooperate in producing an annual compilation of various county land use data recording trends in ownership and use patterns of Montana's agricultural and forest lands.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>
Personal services	\$ 13,670	\$ 13,846
Operating expenses	<u>127,000</u>	<u>127,000</u>
Total additional expenditures under proposed law	<u>\$140,670</u>	<u>\$140,846</u>

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

As the number of land transactions increase, a corresponding increase in additional expenditures can be expected.

Richard L. ...
BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: 1-28-77

Approved by Committee
on State Administration

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7 AND AVAILABLE LAND USE DATA AT THE SUBSTATE LEVEL.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
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