

STATE OF MONTANA
Office of the Governor
Executive Order No. 19-77

RESCINDED
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Executive Order establishing an economic development policy and creating a Council of Economic Advisors.

I, THOMAS L. JUDGE, in accordance with the authority vested in me as Governor by the laws and Constitution of the State of Montana, hereby set forth a policy of the executive branch regarding economic development in Montana and establish an advisory council to assist in the implementation of that policy.

I.

In recognition of House Joint Resolution No. 55 of the 45th Montana Legislature, "A Joint Resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Montana Recognizing the Value of America's System of Free Enterprise and Encouraging the Vigorous Support of Business by the People, the Public School Systems, and the Government of the Great State of Montana," I hereby declare it to be the policy of the executive branch of the government of the State of Montana:

- (1) to create a climate in which private enterprise in Montana can flourish;
- (2) to preserve, protect, and foster the creation, development, and balanced growth of private enterprise in Montana;
- (3) to recognize that private enterprise and entrepreneurship is essential to the preservation of the individual liberty and freedom of Montana's citizens; and
- (4) to recognize that a healthy and prosperous business community with the benefits Montana's citizens derive thereby in terms of employment opportunities and in goods and services provided is essential to the well being of Montana's citizens.

I therefore direct all the parties of the executive branch of the State government of Montana, under the leadership and direction of the Office of Commerce and Small Business Development, to:

- (1) engage in a vigorous program for the development of new business opportunities and the expansion of existing businesses, broadening the economic base in Montana and creating new job opportunities for Montanans and improving the quality of life in this State, while preserving and protecting the inalienable individual right to a clean and healthful environment; and
- (2) insure that the full resources of the executive branch of the government of the State of Montana are utilized to the maximum possible extent in the furtherance of these policies.

II.

To assist in the formulation and attainment of the policies stated above, and pursuant to section 82A-110, R.C.M. 1947, I hereby create an advisory council to be known as the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors. The Council is composed of the following members:

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Mr. Cannon shall serve as Chairman.

The Council shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Council shall remain in existence until June 30, 1979, at which time its existence shall cease unless further extended by executive order of the Governor. The Council shall meet not less than six times each year on such dates and at such places as the Governor or the Chairman may specify.

The Council shall annually review the condition of Montana's economy and make recommendations to the Governor on the best use of the resources of the executive branch of the State of Montana to obtain the policies declared in this executive order. It will be the function of the Governor to execute and implement, through the appropriate agencies, such of the Council's findings and recommendations as he considers appropriate and in furtherance of these policies.

The Council may:

(1) conduct studies and draw upon the resources of the Governor's Office, the Office of Commerce and Small Business Development, the departments of the executive branch, the Montana University System, the private institutions of higher education, and the talents of the private economic sector of Montana including business, labor, agriculture, and all other groups and individuals in Montana willing and able to assist the Council in conducting the studies; and

(2) conduct hearings, workshops, seminars and meetings throughout the State to exchange information and views with respect to the most appropriate means of attaining the policies declared above.

The Council shall annually transmit to the Governor an economic report setting forth:

- (1) the condition of Montana's economy;
- (2) a review of the Council's activities for the year;

(3) a summary of its recommendations to the Governor with respect to the policies declared in this executive order;

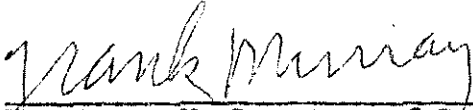
(4) a summary of the Council's recommendations, if any, for legislation to be proposed by the executive branch to implement the policies declared in this executive order; and

(5) such other matters as the Council considers germane to its functions.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-seven.


THOMAS L. JUDGE, Governor

ATTEST:


FRANK MURRAY, Secretary of State