

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
MONTANA STATE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 15, 1985

The meeting of the State Administration Committee was called to order by Chairman Sales January 15, 1985 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 317 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members present.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 102: Rep. Dave Brown asked Chairman Sales to request that the Committee table this bill. Rep. O'Connell moved that HB 102 BE TABLED, seconded by Rep. Peterson. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 117: Rep. Ream, District #54, said that this bill has generated considerable interest around the state, mostly perhaps because of the bill considered by this committee last week, sponsored by Rep. Peck, asking for a \$200 per month salary for legislators. This is not a salary but is intended to be some reimbursement for costs incurred when the Legislature is not in session. There are some very substantial costs incurred during the interim. He estimated that \$40 is roughly what he incurs per month. Many legislators have indicated to him that this is a good idea. One senator had told Rep. Ream that his phone bill had reached \$150 for one month. This bill provides that the \$40 would be paid when the Legislature is not in regular session, however, this could be amended to include any special sessions which would have an impact on the fiscal note. He had an additional 30-40 sponsors in support of the bill.

PROponents: Rep. Paul Pistoria, speaking in support of the bill, said this was his fifth term and said that the average of \$40 is pretty close to his expenses.

Rep. Janet Moore spoke in support of the bill saying that it would allow legislators to be more responsive and visible to their constituents during the year and this is what the people want. Many people feel that their representatives only show up when they are campaigning.

There were no further proponents and no opponents present.

DISCUSSION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 117: Rep. Cody asked what fund this money would be coming from. Rep. Ream said that it would be from the general fund, however, this bill would also have to be referred to the Appropriations Committee if it receives a Do Pass from this Committee.

Chairman Sales asked why the difference of \$102,000 for the first biennium and \$120,000 thereafter. Rep. Phillips pointed out that this is explained in #2 of Assumptions on the Fiscal Note. Chairman Sales also asked Lois Menzies if the word "regular" could be deleted so the bill would include special sessions as well. Lois

said that this could be done.

Rep. Jenkins asked if this bill would open up the possibility of increasing the \$40 to \$100-\$200 at some future date. Rep. Ream said that is a possibility but the \$40 seemed a reasonable amount at the present time. Rep. Phillips brought out the fact that the California legislators are paid \$33,732 annually and are asking for a 10% increase. Rep. Moore did not feel that the legislators would increase it beyond the \$40.

There being no further questions by the Committee, Rep. Ream closed his presentation of HB 117 saying that no other businesses expect the employees to carry the costs of doing business nor are the State employees expected to do so.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 98: Rep. Cal Winslow, sponsor of the bill, said that it would remove the limit on the parking fees on campuses within the University system. He said that Eastern Montana College is probably the only campus that is at the \$10 present limit. Parking is becoming more and more of a problem. Billings has a different kind of student body in that most of them drive to and from school and do not stay in dormitories. The neighborhoods are complaining that they are unable to get out of their driveways. The possibility of building a parking ramp has been discussed which would be paid for by student fees. He said that the Board of Regents could work with the student governments to come up with a reasonable amount to deal with the problem as it exists. Eastern and the University of Montana at Missoula are probably the only ones to which this would apply because of the landlocked situations at these campuses.

PROPOSERS: Bruce Carpenter, President of Eastern Montana College, said they have been working with citizen groups near the campus to alleviate the problem. He said that 72% of their students commute to school. They have a problem in providing adequate parking for their students and employees. This would give them the flexibility to deal with the problem and at the same time to give the other campuses the option not to increase their rates. In order to build and maintain parking from student fees and not State appropriated funds this bill is needed.

Ken Heikes, Administrative vice-president of Eastern Montana College, said they would like the flexibility of maybe getting away from the traditional type of permit parking. There are several options such as purchasing tickets at the entrance and displaying them on the dashboard; the slot system; parking meters and the attendant-type such as you see at airports. At the present time it costs \$550-650 per stall for flat parking. If they do build a parking structure it would cost around \$4500 per stall.

Glen Williams, University of Montana vice-president of Fiscal Affairs, said that Missoula is also a landlocked campus surrounded

by mountains, the river and residential neighborhoods. The land adjoining the campus is very expensive and there have been numerous complaints from nearby residents. The University does not own any land for improving or enlarging parking so something like this would require the acquisition of land.

William Lannan, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education, spoke in favor of the bill and asked the Committee to do likewise. He said that he has always had a concern for the cost of education and said that the Board of Regents is not going to increase the fees at the various campuses just to be increasing the fees. They want to do this in a very planned fashion in order to relate the costs of education and the needs of the campuses.

Monte Koch, University of Montana, presented a proposed amendment, Exhibit #1, which is attached hereto, They realize parking is a major problem on the campuses and the need and the interest to work with the campus administration is there. He urged adoption of the amendment as they were going to come in and oppose the bill until the amendment was worked out with those concerned.

Dallas Cutiss, Student Body President of Eastern Montana College also supported the bill as amended.

There were no further proponents and no opponents present.

DISCUSSION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 98: Rep. Fritz asked Dr. Carpenter how much of an increase per quarter they were anticipating. Dr. Carpenter said that they have been working with student representatives and the faculty senate on some possible alternatives but didn't think there would be much of an increase in the next couple of years. They are at the maximum now at \$10 per quarter, however, the students from the University say they pay \$8 per year.

Rep. Phillips brought up the \$4500 per stall figure at MSU for a parking structure but said he did not think student fees could pay for a parking structure. He realized that these campuses are land-locked and there is no where to go but up. He asked Dr. Carpenter if they visualized keeping it on a paying basis.

Rep. Winslow said that in Billings they are bumping right up against the Medical Corridor so this compounds the problem. The neighbors have been pressing the city council to make their areas in front of their houses "no parking" areas. There is a possibility that some funding could be worked out with the City. He said that between the Hospital Corridor, the City and the campus something could possibly be worked out.

Rep. Pistoria said that removing the limit would simply make it possible to raise the fees. The amendment would make sure that this is a cooperative effort and agreed with the proposed amendment. Rep. Pistoria did not think it was right to expect the students to pay for the structures. Rep. Winslow said it would be paid for

with user fees, otherwise everybody is going to pay for the structures. Rep. Pistoria asked if it has ever been considered that the State fund the parking. Rep. Winslow said it has been considered but when it comes to long range building other requests have received priority.

Rep. Garcia asked Dr. Carpenter if he was aware of the proposed amendment before today. Dr. Carpenter said he had worked with the students on this and he was in complete agreement with it. Rep. Garcia asked what kind of effect the students have on the administration to which Dr. Carpenter said that the students are represented on every committee on the campus and the administration tries to work with them on all issues.

Rep. Jenkins asked Dr. Carpenter if they have the land available for such a parking structure. Dr. Carpenter said they have limited space on the campus and acquiring some land is a need they are going to have to look at. They do not have the land at the present time to provide enough parking for everybody. The initial planning, which is where this is at now, would be to deck existing lots and provide somewhere around 340 additional spaces.

Rep. Jenkins questioned the practice of selling over 4,000 parking permits when there are actually only 2,000 spaces available at the University. Monte Koch said it was actually 5,401 permits sold and 2,644 spaces. Mr. Williams said that the total spaces is about 3,116. Everyone is not on campus at the same time. Classes are held on alternate days, mornings, afternoons, evenings so all students do not attend classes every day all day.

There being no further questions Rep. Winslow closed saying that the land around the Universities costs around \$1 million per block. The number one complaint is more parking is needed. He said they could use the user fees and something other than a quarterly fee may be easier to administer such as hourly, daily, etc. He asked the Committee to consider and support the proposed amendment and support HB 98.

The Committee then went into executive session.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 117: Rep. O'Connell moved that HB 117 DO PASS, seconded by Janet Moore. Chairman Sales then asked for a motion on the amendment. Motion by Rep. O'Connell TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENT striking "regular" from the bill, seconded by Rep. Fritz. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rep. Pistoria moved to amend the bill to include an effective date of July 1, 1985, seconded by Rep. Harbin. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rep. Jenkins said he did not disagree that it is going to cost money between sessions. The expenses are legitimate but most people don't realize this. He was also afraid it might open the door to an increase in the \$40.

Rep. O'Connell said she thought a great number of people think the legislators are being paid now during the interim. As far as opening the door to an increase this is something that will be dealt with sometime in the future possibly.

Rep. Nelson said that the people should know there are legitimate expenses; postage is going up in February, telephone costs have increased and some legislators have large districts where most of their telephone calls are long distance. Rep. Harbin said that the Committee had the chance to give themselves \$200 per month salary but this is just going to help with some of the expenses.

Rep. Holliday said she represents 3 rural counties and is expected to make long distance calls and attend meetings in eight different towns for various functions. This \$40 per month would not cover her expenses.

Rep. Jenkins agreed that everyone has legitimate expenses but said he wanted more discussion on the issue.

Chairman Sales asked where the money is going to come from and Rep. O'Connell said if the money is appropriated for sessions she was sure it could be made available for the interim if the Appropriations Committee could be convinced this is needed. Chairman Sales said that the bill will have to be sent to the Appropriations Committee in the event it receives a Do Pass here.

The original motion DO PASS, AS AMENDED, CARRIED on a 11-7 vote with seven voting "no": Reps. Phillips, Jenkins, Holliday, Cody, Peterson, Hayne and Sales.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 98: Rep. O'Connell moved that the proposed amendment from the University students BE ADOPTED, seconded by Harbin. Rep. Nelson said that as a point of procedure the bill should be moved first, therefore, Rep. Nelson moved that HB 98 DO PASS, seconded by Rep. Peterson. The motion to adopt the amendments CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rep. Fritz said that the State has never given a dime to the University for parking. There is no option for parking - they are going to have to go up and this is going to cost money. There is no staff parking at the University and they take their chances with the students.

Rep. Cody asked how they can sell more permits than they have space available regardless of the time frame of the classes. She also did not like the flexibility this is giving them to decide on an increase. She said maybe it should be increased but it should be a set amount and not left to their discretion.

Rep. Nelson's motion that HB 98 DO PASS AS AMENDED, seconded by Rep. Peterson CARRIED 17-1, with Rep. Cody voting "no".

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2: Rep. Nelson moved HJR 2 DO PASS, seconded by Rep. Phillips. Motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 51: Rep. Sales explained to the members that were absent on January 11th that this bill did not intend to do away with repairs and maintenance during the 2 year moratorium. Lois Menzies suggested an amendment could be adopted setting out the definition of repair and maintenance.


Rep. Cody asked if the warm water fishery at Miles City would come under this bill.

Rep. Phillips moved that HB 51 DO NOT PASS, seconded by Rep. Cody. He said that there are too many departments that would have to be exempted and they would have to be looked at individually. The idea is valid but there are too many problems such as the Fish and Game, Federal funds for the National Guard, the Highway Department storage garages and sand houses, etc.

Chariman Sales said that the Governor's requests for this beinnium are very minimal.

Rep. Phillips' motion DO NOT PASS, carried 17-1 with Rep. Jenkins voting "no".

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

  
WALTER R. SALES, Chairman

(Type in committee members' names and have 50 printed to start).

DAILY ROLL CALL

State Administration COMMITTEE

49th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1985

Date 1/15/85

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Chairman Walter Sales	✓		
V-Chairman Helen O'Connell	✓		
Campbell, Bud	✓		
Compton, Duane	✓		
Cody, Dorothy	✓		
Fritz, Harry	✓		
Garcia, Rodney	✓		
Hayne, Harriet	✓		
Harbin, Raymond	✓		
Holliday, Gay	✓		
Jenkins, Loren	✓		
Kennerly, Roland	✓		
Moore, Janet	✓		
Nelson, Richard	✓		
Peterson, Mary Lou	✓		
Phillips, John	✓		
Pistoria, Paul	✓		
Smith, Clyde	✓		

VISITOR'S REGISTER

HOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

COMMITTEE \_\_\_\_\_

BILL 98 & 117

DATE 1/15/85

SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

NAME	RESIDENCE	REPRESENTING	SUP- PORT	OP- POSE
TED HUDAK		MONTANA HES OF COUNTIES	informatu	
Paul & Patricia	St. Falls	State Rep	H.B. 117	
Ann Williams	Missoula	W of Mont	HB-98	
Janet Moore	Cardon	H/D-65	HB 117	
Dallas Curry	Billings / EMC	Assoc. Students of EMC	HB 98	
Michelle E. Wing	Bozeman / MSU	ASMSU	HB 98	
Ken Heikes	Billings / EMC	EMC	HB 98	
Dave Carpenter	Billings / EMC	EMC	HB 98	

IF YOU CARE TO WRITE COMMENTS, ASK SECRETARY FOR LONGER FORM.

WHEN TESTIFYING PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.



# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 15 19 35

MR. SPEAKER

We, your committee on STATE ADMINISTRATION

having had under consideration HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Bill No. 2

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**RESOLUTION DIRECTING AGENCIES TO ADOPT POLICIES ENFORCED AS  
LAW AS RULES**

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Bill No. 2

DO PASS

*SR 1/15/35*  
STATE PUB. CO.  
Helena, Mont.

Walter R. Sales, Chairman.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 15

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MR. SPEAKER

We, your committee on STATE ADMINISTRATION

having had under consideration HOUSE Bill No. 117

First reading copy ( White )  
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**PROVIDING \$40 A MONTH TO LEGISLATORS FOR EXPENSES BETWEEN SESSIONS**

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE Bill No. 117

**BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS.**

1) Title, line 5.

Following: "BETWEEN"

Strike: "REGULAR"

2) Title, line 7.

Following: "MCA"

Insert: " AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE"

3) Page 2, line 3.

Strike: "regular"

4) Page 2.

Following: line 12

Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. This act is effective July 1, 1935."

**AND AS AMENDED,**

**DO PASS**

*Wm 1/15/35*

STATE PUB. CO.  
Helena, Mont.

Walter R. Sales,

Chairman.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 15

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MR. SPEAKER

We, your committee on STATE ADMINISTRATION

having had under consideration HOUSE Bill No. 51

First reading copy ( White )  
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**ESTABLISH 2-YEAR MORATORIUM ON STATE OFF ICE BUILDING ACQUISITION**

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE Bill No. 51

DO NOT PASS

~~DO PASS~~

*Handwritten signature and date: J. M. 1/14/25*

STATE PUB. CO.  
Helena, Mont.

Walter H. Sales.

Chairman.

COMMITTEE SECRETARY

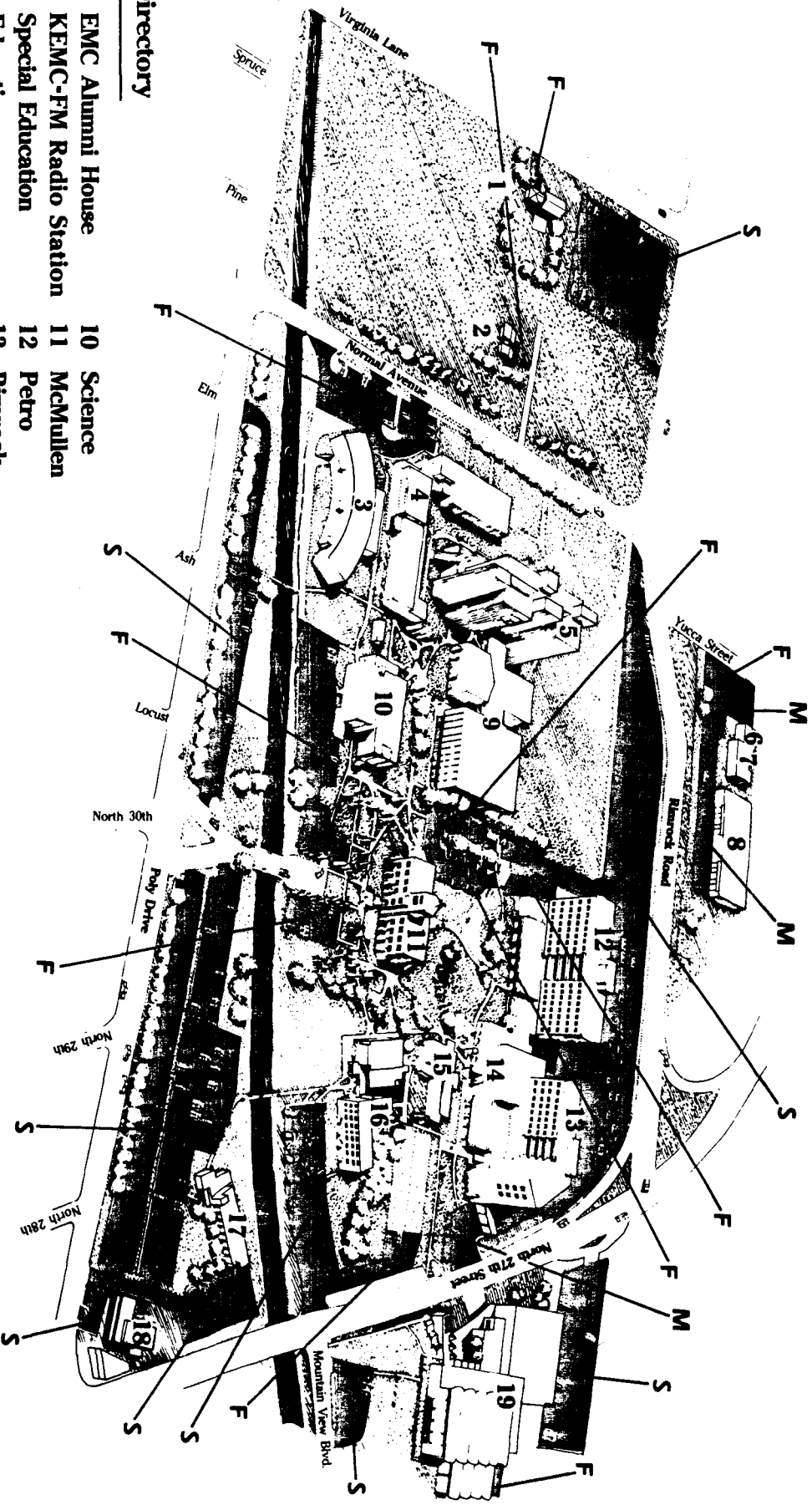
Ex #1  
HB-98  
1/15/85

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Line 13, after "fees" insert: , not in excess of a maximum fee to be set by the Board of Regents after consultation with the respective campus student governments,

Ex. #2  
 HB-98  
 11/5/85

# Eastern Montana College Campus



## Directory

- 1 EMC Alumni House
- 2 KEMC-FM Radio Station
- 3 Special Education
- 4 Education
- 5 Liberal Arts
- 6 Security Office
- 7 Physical Plant Offices
- 8 Physical Plant Shops
- 9 Library
- 10 Science
- 11 McMullen
- 12 Petro
- 13 Rimrock
- 14 Student Union
- 15 Computer Annex
- 16 Cisel
- 17 Apsaruke
- 18 Art Annex
- 19 Physical Education

### Parking Areas

- Faculty/Staff \_\_\_\_\_ F
- Student \_\_\_\_\_ S
- Maintenance \_\_\_\_\_ M



A MESSAGE FROM  
E.M.C. SECURITY  
324 N Rim Road - ph. 657-2147

This Fall, EMC will have newly paved lots located north of the Petro and Rimrock dorms and at Virginia Lane and Rimrock. The work should be completed by the beginning of the quarter or shortly afterwards.

Parking permits will be sold at Registration. For the first time permits will be required for parking on campus during weekday evenings. All vehicles parked on campus between the hours of 8AM and 8PM on weekdays must have a valid permit. There will be no grace period this year. Parking is enforced 24 hours a day every day and permits are required upon employment or the first day of classes. If a permit is not purchased at Registration it can be purchased at the Security Department between 8AM and 4PM weekdays.

Student Permits.....\$10.00 per quarter or \$27.00 for 3 quarters.  
Faculty/Staff Permits.....\$10.00 per quarter or \$27.00 for 3 quarters.  
These permits are valid from 8AM until 8PM weekdays in the lot for which they were purchased.  
Student Evening Permits.....\$5.00 per quarter or \$15.00 for 3 quarters.  
Faculty/Staff Evening Permits.....\$5.00 per quarter or \$15.00 for 3 quarters.  
These permits are valid ONLY after 4PM weekdays in the lot for which they were purchased.  
Motorcycle permits.....\$1.00 per quarter must park in motorcycle lots only.  
Car-pool permits are available.

PERMIT IS NOT VALID UNTIL PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO VEHICLE IT WAS PURCHASED FOR.

Listed are some common parking regulations. A complete Parking Regulation Handbook is available at the Security Department upon request.

A motor vehicle may be impounded for violations of Billings City Ordinances, Codes of the State of Montana or College regulations. Any vehicle receiving 3 or more violations that have not been paid or appealed may be impounded if found on campus. The owner/operator of said vehicle will be liable for towing and impounding costs and all risks involved. The use of a wheel-lock device will incur a \$10.00 charge to the operator of the vehicle and any damage or replacement costs will be the operators responsibility. All fines must be paid before release of the vehicle from impoundment. All outstanding fines will be added to a students encumbrance at registration or withheld from an employee's check.

Parking Tickets are issued for:

1. Parking in a Fire Lane.....\$10.00....Vehicle will be towed.  
Parking in a No Parking Zone.....\$10.00....Vehicle may be towed.
2. No Permit.....\$5.00
3. Permit in Wrong Lot.....\$3.00
4. Violations in Special Reserved spaces, Loading Zones or Handicapped Zones.....\$3.00.... Vehicle may accumulate up to 6 tickets in a 24 hour period and may be towed.
5. Backing into space.....\$3.00
6. Failure to Pay or Appeal within 7 days.....\$3.00
7. All other violations.....\$3.00

Campus Police Officers are Peace Officers of the State of Montana and are on duty 24 hours every day. One of their duties is enforcing campus parking regulations, but they would much rather all vehicles were parked properly so tickets would not have to be issued. Please obey the Parking Regulations, lock your vehicle and take precautions to insure personal safety. If you have any questions, concerns or information regarding parking, law enforcement or safety call 657-2147. PLEASE REPORT ANY CRIME OR SUSPECTED CRIME.