1 3 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AWARD COSTS AND 4 5 REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES TO A PLAINTIFF WHO BRINGS A SUCCESSFUL ACTION UNDER THE RIGHT TO KNOW PROVISION OF 6 MONTANA CONSTITUTION." 8 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 10 Section 1. Costs to plaintiff in certain actions to 11 enforce constitutional right to know. A plaintiff who 12 prevails in an action brought to enforce his rights under Article II, section 9 of the Montana constitution shall be 13 14 awarded his costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

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SECOND READING MISSING

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 531

That House Bill No. 531, third reading, be amended as follows:

Amend page 1, section 1, line 12.
Following: "brought"
Insert: "in district court" 1.

1	HOUSE BILL NO. 531
2	INTRODUCED BY MELOY
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5	REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES TO A PLAINTIFF' WHO BRINGS A
6	SUCCESSFUL ACTION UNDER THE RIGHT TO KNOW PROVISION OF THE
7	MONTANA CONSTITUTION."
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9	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
10	Section 1. Costs to plaintiff in certain actions to
11	enforce constitutional right to know. A plaintiff who
12	prevails in an action brought IN DISTRICT COURT to enforce
13	his rights under Article II, section 9 of the Montana
14	constitution shall MAY be awarded his costs and reasonable
15	attorneys' fees.

-End-

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REFERENCE BILL 4//5/25
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