

1 House BILL NO. 658  
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE  
 5 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS TO DESIGNATE SCENIC ROUTES AND TO  
 6 AMEND SECTION 82A-701.1, R.C.M. 1947."  
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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Section 82A-701.1, R.C.M. 1947, is amended  
 10 to read as follows:

11 "82A-701.1. Functions of Department. The department  
 12 has responsibility for the administration of laws relating  
 13 to public highways, including, but not limited to, ~~laws on~~:

- 14 (1) Speed and traffic regulations (Title 32, chapters
- 15 11 and 21);
- 16 (2) Designation and construction of federal-aid and
- 17 state highways (Title 32, chapters 24, 26, and 39);
- 18 (3) State vehicle fees (Title 32, chapters 32 through
- 19 34);
- 20 (4) Letting contracts for highway construction (Title
- 21 32, chapter 41);
- 22 (5) Designation of controlled access highways (Title
- 23 32, chapter 43);
- 24 (6) Regulation of junkyards (Title 32, chapter 45);
- 25 (7) Regulation of outdoor advertising (Title 32,

- 1 chapter 47);
- 2 (8) State motor pool (Title 53, chapter 5);
- 3 (9) Motor vehicle reciprocity (Title 53, chapter 7);
- 4 (10) Designation of certain highways of this state as
- 5 scenic routes (Title 32, chapter 24)."

6 Section 2. There is a new R.C.M. section numbered  
 7 32-2430 that reads as follows:

8 32-2430. Provisions for scenic routes. Rules for  
 9 scenic routes shall be promulgated within one (1) year from  
 10 effective date of this act and shall include provisions for:

- 11 (a) designation of official maps of scenic routes,
- 12 (b) signs on a designated scenic route,
- 13 (c) routing of traffic to limit use of scenic routes
- 14 to low-speed, local and recreational traffic,
- 15 (d) stabilizing the classification of a scenic route to
- 16 prevent future upgrading,
- 17 (e) citizen participation in the designation process,
- 18 (f) continuing evaluation of the highways of this
- 19 state to provide a system of scenic highways, and
- 20 (g) other provisions as necessary to comply with
- 21 federal scenic route requirements.

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