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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 75-5611, R.C.M. 1947, TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF REGENTS TO CONDUCT A NATIONWIDE RESEARCH FOR APPLICANTS FOR THE POSITION OF COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO ADHERE TO EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PRACTICES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 75-5611, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to read as follows:

"75-5611. Appointment of commissioner of higher education--term--compensation--staff. (1) There is a commissioner of higher education who is appointed by the board of regents.

(2) The board of regents shall conduct a nationwide search for qualified applicants for the position of commissioner of higher education and shall adhere to equal employment opportunity practices and principles.

~~(2)~~ (3) The board of regents shall prescribe the term and duties of the commissioner and shall set his compensation.

~~(3)~~ (4) The board of regents shall provide sufficient staff and office space to the commissioner for him to carry

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