1 2 3 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO DECLARE A MORATORIUM ON WATER PERMITS IN THE MILK RIVER BASIN." 5 6 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 8 Section 1. There is a new R.C.M. section numbered 9 89-8-112 that reads as follows: 10 89-8-112. Moratorium on certain water permits. There 11 is a moratorium on water permits for the Milk River and its 12 tributaries within the state of Montana. This moratorium 13 shall last for at least five (5) years but shall not cease 14 until the distribution of water in the Milk River and its 15 tributaries is settled as provided in Title 89, chapter 8. 16 The department of natural resources and conservation shall 17 proceed to adjudicate the rights of appropriators on the 18 Milk River and its tributaries as soon as possible in order 19 to expedite the lifting of this moratorium.

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