

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *242*
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION
 5 75-6810, R.C.M. 1947, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THE
 6 FACSIMILE SIGNATURE DEVICE NOT BE AVAILABLE TO THE
 7 COUNTERSIGNER OF A WARRANT AND PROVIDE FOR THE USE AND
 8 STORAGE OF THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURE DEVICE IN THE BEST
 9 POSSIBLE MANNER."

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

12 Section 1. Section 75-6810, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
 13 read as follows:

14 "75-6810. Procedure for issuance of warrants. The
 15 trustees of each district shall issue all warrants and the
 16 warrants shall identify:

- 17 (1) the budgeted fund or nonbudgeted fund on which the
 18 warrant is drawn;
- 19 (2) the appropriation item of the budgeted fund or the
 20 type of expenditure for a nonbudgeted fund on which the
 21 warrant is drawn; and
- 22 (3) the warrant as an emergency warrant, if it is drawn
 23 on an emergency budget.

24 Any warrant issued by a district shall be countersigned
 25 by the chairman of the trustees and the clerk of the

1 district before the warrant shall be negotiable. Facsimile
 2 signatures may be used in accordance with the provisions of
 3 chapter 13 of Title 59, R.C.M. 1947, provided that the
 4 facsimile signature device shall ~~not be available to the~~
 5 ~~other countersigner of the warrant,~~ be used and stored in
 6 the best possible manner available to the district to assure
 7 safekeeping of it.

8 The trustees shall issue warrants in single copy or in
 9 triplicate copy. When the warrants are issued in single
 10 copy, the trustees shall immediately provide a listing of
 11 the issued warrants on a fund-by-fund basis to the county
 12 treasurer and retain a copy of the listing in the district
 13 accounting records. When the warrants are issued in
 14 triplicate, the original copy of the warrant shall be
 15 delivered to the payee; the duplicate shall be sent
 16 immediately to the county treasurer; and the triplicate
 17 shall be retained by the district for accounting record
 18 purposes. The duplicate and triplicate copies shall be
 19 identified on the face of the warrant as "Not
 20 Negotiable--Copy of Original."

21 However, the trustees may elect to issue warrants in
 22 payment of wages and salaries on a direct deposit basis to
 23 the employee's account in a local bank, provided the consent
 24 of the employee has been obtained and the employee is given
 25 an itemized statement of payroll deductions for each pay

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