

HOUSE BILL 139

IN THE HOUSE

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Committee on Local Govern-
ment.

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not pass.

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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 139
 2 INTRODUCED BY P. Pistorio

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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REQUIRE APPROVAL BY
 5 A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS VOTING BEFORE A
 6 MUNICIPALITY WITH A POPULATION OF 10,000 OR MORE MAY
 7 CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE VENDOR FOR CERTAIN SERVICES."

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

10 Section 1. Vote required to contract for certain
 11 services.

12 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a
 13 municipality with a population of 10,000 or more may
 14 contract with a private vendor to provide water, sewer,
 15 garbage collection, parking, or fire protection services
 16 only if the contract is voted upon and approved by a
 17 majority of the qualified electors of the municipality
 18 voting on the question.

19 (2) (a) If a municipality with a population of 10,000
 20 or more is providing a service listed in subsection (1) by
 21 means of a contract with a private vendor on [the effective
 22 date of this act], the municipality may continue to provide
 23 that service by means of contracting with private vendors
 24 without submitting any future contracts to voter approval as
 25 required by subsection (1). This exemption includes new or

1 renewal contracts for the same service with the same vendor
 2 or different vendors. The exemption is lost if the
 3 municipality ceases to provide the service by means of a
 4 private vendor.

5 (b) In an emergency situation, a municipality with a
 6 population of 10,000 or more may enter a contract with a
 7 private vendor to provide any service listed in subsection
 8 (1). The contract may only cover the period of time during
 9 which the emergency exists.

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