

HOUSE BILL 254

IN THE HOUSE

January 18, 1979

Introduced and referred to
Committee on Rules.

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 254
 2 INTRODUCED BY Metcalf
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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE
 5 QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V,
 6 SECTION 6, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE
 7 LEGISLATURE SHALL MEET IN ANNUAL SESSIONS."
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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
 10 Section 1. Article V, section 6, of the Montana
 11 constitution is amended to read:
 12 "Section 6. Sessions. The legislature shall ~~meet--each~~
 13 ~~odd-numbered--year--in--regular--session--of--not--more--than--90~~
 14 ~~legislative--days~~ be a continuous body for 2-year periods
 15 beginning when newly elected members take office. The
 16 legislature shall meet at least once a year in regular
 17 session. The legislature shall by law determine the length
 18 of legislative sessions, not to exceed 90 legislative days
 19 in any 2-year period. Any legislature may increase the limit
 20 on the length of any subsequent session. The legislature may
 21 be convened in special sessions by the governor or at the
 22 written request of a majority of the members."
 23 Section 2. Effective date. If approved by the
 24 electorate, this amendment shall be effective December 31,
 25 1980.

1 Section 3. Submission to electorate. This amendment
 2 shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Montana
 3 at the general election to be held November 4, 1980, by
 4 printing on the ballot the full title of this act and the
 5 following words:
 6 FOR annual sessions.
 7 AGAINST annual sessions.
 -End-

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