

CHAPTER NO. 302.

HOUSE BILL NO. 666

INTRODUCED BY CONROY, HAND, BRAND, NATHE

IN THE HOUSE

February 8, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
February 14, 1979	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 15, 1979	Second reading, do pass.
February 16, 1979	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 17, 1979	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to second house.

IN THE SENATE

February 19, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
March 9, 1979	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 12, 1979	Second reading, concurred in.
March 15, 1979	Third reading, concurred in.

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March 16, 1979	Returned from second house. Concurred in. Sent to enrolling. Reported correctly enrolled.
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16 States over and within all the lands dedicated to national
17 park purposes in the following tracts:

18 (a) Big Horn Canyon;
19 (b) Grant-Kohrs national historic site;
20 (c) Big Hole national battlefield; and
21 (d) Fort Union trading post.

22 (2) The concurrent jurisdiction ceded by subsection
23 (1) is vested upon acceptance by the United States by and
24 through its appropriate officials and shall continue so long

1 2 as the lands within the designated areas are dedicated to
3 park purposes.

4 Section 2. Acceptance of jurisdiction over federal
5 lands. The consent of the state is hereby given to the
6 retrocession of jurisdiction, either partially or wholly, by
7 the United States of America over lands owned by the United
8 States of America within the boundaries of Montana that are
9 used for national park purposes. The governor is authorized
10 to accept for the state retrocession of jurisdiction.

11 Section 3. Filing of acceptance of jurisdiction over
12 federal lands. (1) When the state receives written
13 notification from the authorized official or agent of the
14 United States of America that the United States desires or
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16 portion thereof, over certain lands owned by the United
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