

SENATE BILL 525

IN THE SENATE

April 11, 1979 By motion and consent Senate Bill 525 allowed to be introduced and considered this session.

April 12, 1979 Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.

April 16, 1979 Printed and placed on members' desks.

April 17, 1979 Second reading, do pass.

On motion, rules suspended, Bill placed on Calendar for third reading this day.

Third reading, passed. (46 A - 2 N)

IN THE HOUSE

April 18, 1979 On motion, rules suspended and bill allowed to be accepted, introduced, and considered this session.

Introduced and referred to Committee on Rules.

On Motion, taken from Committee on Rules and referred to second reading this day.

Second reading, pass consideration.

April 19, 1979 Second reading, not concurred (86A - 1N)

Concurred vote failed (8A - 85N)

Third reading, not concurred.

IN THE SENATE

April 18, 1979 Returned from House, not concurred.

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 2 INTRODUCED BY *STEPHEN Blaylock VINCENT Ramsey*
 3 BY REQUEST OF THE JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

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12 (4) If the legislature is not in session when the
 13 governor vetoes a bill, he shall return the bill with his
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16 (5) The governor may veto items in appropriation
 17 bills, and in such instances the procedure shall be the same
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19 Section 2. Effective date. If approved by the
 20 electorate, this amendment shall be effective July 1, 1981.

21 Section 3. Submission to electorate. This amendment
 22 shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Montana
 23 at the general election to be held November 4, 1980, by
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 25 following:

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 INTRODUCED BILL

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Approved by Committee
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