

House Bill 203

In The House

January 14, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
January 22, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass.
January 23, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
January 24, 1981	Second reading pass consideration.
January 26, 1981	Second reading do pass.
January 27, 1981	Considered correctly engrossed. Third reading passed.

In The Senate

January 28, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.
March 4, 1981	Committee recommend bill concurred.
March 6, 1981	Second reading indefinitely postponed.

In The House

March 6, 1981	Returned from Senate indefinitely postponed.
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HOUSE BILL NO. 203

INTRODUCED BY *Quintan*

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13-2-401, MCA, TO REQUIRE CANCELLATION AFTER EACH GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION OF THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS WHO FAILED TO VOTE."

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

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(b) mark the form of each elector whose registration has been canceled; and

(c) place canceled forms for the entire county in alphabetical order in the canceled file.

(2) An elector whose registration is canceled may reregister in the same manner as if he were registering for the first time.

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