

House Bill 231

In The House

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

In The Senate

January 28, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 11, 1981	Committee recommend bill not concurred.

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March 12, 1981	Returned from Senate not concurred.
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2 INTRODUCED BY Urbani

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION  
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7 WITNESS."

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

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14 the county in which he resides.

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16 forms for mail registrations to all qualified individuals  
17 requesting them and shall, in addition, arrange for the  
18 forms to be widely and conveniently available within the  
19 county. The mail registration form shall be designed as  
20 prescribed by the secretary of state.

21 (3) The elector shall completey--signy--and--either  
22 verify-or-affirm the mail registration form before-a--notary  
23 public--or--other--officer--empowered-to-administer-ooths-or  
24 complete--and--sign--the--form--and--obtain--the--signaturey  
25 addressy--and--voting--precinct--of--at-least-one-registered

1 voter-in-the-county-who-shall-witness-the--facts--stated--on  
2 the--registration--form and affirm to the oath and to the  
3 facts stated on the registration form by his signature on  
4 the signature line provided on the form.

5 (4) The registration form must be received by the  
6 election administrator on or before the day of the close of  
7 registration and--must--be--returned--to--the--administrator--no  
8 later--than--15--days--after--the--date--it--is--signed--by--the  
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