House Bill 278

In The House

January 16, 1981 Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.

- February 21, 1981 Committee recommend bill do pass as amended.
- February 23, 1981 Bill printed and placed on members' desks.

Motion pass consideration.

Motion to take from second reading to Committee on Appropriations.

Rereferred to Committee on Appropriations.

April 23, 1981 Died in Committee.

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 HOUSE BILL NO. 278...

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 INTRODUCED BY HEADER BILL NO. 278...

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 MCMARA HAMMER BILL NO. 278...

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 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROMOTE ENERGY

 5
 PLANNING BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THROUGH GRANTS ADMINISTERED BY

 6
 THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION; AND

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 APPROPRIATING \$1.000.000 FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM."

35 IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 9 10 Section 1. Purpose. In order to improve the energy planning capabilities of local governments, the department 11 12 of natural resources and conservation shall make grants to 13 counties and cities, however organized. The department when making grants shall give priority to those units 14 of government that submit proposels that could result in 15 16 significant savings of traditional energy sources 17 development of renewable energy systems, and broad community 13 involvement.

Section 2. Authorized expenditures. Community energy
 planning grants may be used for the following purposes:

(1) to gather, monitor, and analyze local energy
supply, demand, and cost information;

23 (2) to prepare comprehensive community energy plans;
24 (3) to implement comprehensive energy plans that the
25 unit of government is authorized to undertake for the

- 1 management of problems resulting from:
- (a) rising energy costs;

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3 (b) lack of efficient public and private4 transportation;

- 5 (c) lack of community conservation efforts;
- 6 (d) lack of widespread renewable energy sources;

7 (e) lack of energy components in comprehensive plans
8 and local ordinances;

9 (4) to assist neighborhood organizations in counties 10 and cities to do energy planning by making grants to the 11 local unit of government;

12 (5) to purchase materials, employ staff, or contract
13 with other units of government or qualified consultants;

(6) any other purpose considered appropriate by the
 director of the department of natural resources and
 conservation.

Section 3. Administration. (1) The director of the department of natural resources and conservation shall give priority to units of local government that provide staff or other support for a program and that request grants for programs that can be duplicated by other local governments. (2) A single grant to a unit of local government may not exceed \$50,000.

(3) The department shall adopt rules in accordance withthe Montana Administrative Procedure Act for the submission

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submission and review of applications for grants under [this
 act].

3 Section 4. Appropriation. There is appropriated from 4 the coal tax constitutional trust fund income \$1,000,000 for 5 the biennium ending June 30, 1983, to the department of 6 natural resources and conservation for the purpose of making 7 grants under this act.

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1	STATEMENT OF INTENT
2	HOUSE BILL 278
3	House Local Government Committee
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5	(1) A statement of intent is required for this bill
6	because it grants rulemaking authority to the Department of
7	Natural Resources and Conservation in section 3.
8	(2) Not contemplated in this act is the use of grants
9	where other funds may be available or for the use of
10	specific energy saving applications. The grants are to be

15 provide the greatest good. (3) The authority delegated to the Department of 16 17 Natural Resources and Conservation by House Bill 278 is for the purpose of establishing the procedure for submitting 18 19 applications for grants under the act and establishing the review procedure and criteria under which the department 20 21 will determine the sufficiency of applications and the award 22 of grants.

awarded for the analysis of a community's energy use, so

that by viewing the community as an energy use system the

community may comprehensively address its energy efficiency

and hence effectively allocate its resources where they will

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Approved by Comm. on Local Government

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2	INTRODUCED BY AZZARA, TOWE, KESSLER,
3	HALLIGAN, MENAHAN, KEMMIS, McCallum
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