

House Bill 294

In The House

January 16, 1981

Introduced and referred
to Committee on Judiciary.

January 27, 1981

Committee recommend bill
do not pass.

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 294
2 INTRODUCED BY Ristoria Conway Fada

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO INCREASE THE
5 PEREMPTORY CHALLENGES TO JURORS IN CIVIL ACTIONS TO EQUAL
6 THOSE ALLOWED IN CRIMINAL ACTIONS; AMENDING SECTION
7 25-7-224, MCA."

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

10 Section 1. Section 25-7-224, MCA, is amended to read:

11 "25-7-224. Peremptory challenges to jurors. (1) Each
12 party is entitled to ~~four~~ six peremptory challenges, except
13 as provided for under subsection (2). If no peremptory
14 challenges are taken until the panel is full, they must be
15 taken by the parties alternately, commencing with the
16 plaintiff.

17 (2) Where a six-person jury is authorized by law, each
18 side shall have ~~two~~ three peremptory challenges. They shall
19 be exercised by the plaintiff first striking one and the
20 defendant then striking one, and so on until each side has
21 exhausted or waived his rights."

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