

House Bill 362

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Introduced and referred
to Committee on Appropriations.

April 23, 1981

Died in Committee.

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 362
2 INTRODUCED BY Audrey Rothas Brown

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING \$46,800
5 TO THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO CREATE A TRAVELING
6 ARCHIVAL ACTIVITY."

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the care of historically valuable books and manuscripts in Montana is often deficient through lack of knowledge and proper expertise, resulting in damage to the materials and inefficient or improper usage; and

13 WHEREAS, many historical collections are destroyed
14 through lack of interest or are lost to the collecting
15 activities of other states.

16 THEREFORE, it is the intent of this bill to create
17 within the Montana Historical Society a statewide archival
18 consulting service for local repositories such as local
19 government offices, public libraries, and county historical
20 societies while simultaneously seeking historical
21 collections and information for the enrichment of Montana's
22 cultural heritage.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA,

23 **Section 1. Appropriation.** (1) There is appropriated

1 from the general fund to the Montana Historical Society the
2 following sums:

3 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1982 \$24,400
4 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983 \$24,400
5 (2) The purpose of the funds appropriated in
6 subsection (1) is the creation of a statewide archival
7 consulting service within the Montana Historical Society.

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