

House Bill 486

In The House

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Introduced and referred
to Committee on State
Administration.

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Committee recommend bill
do not pass.

1 *Doc Williams* HOUSE BILL NO. 486 *Carlton Agnew*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Harrington Daly Nussance*
 3 *Jules Sheldon McBride Dave Brown Menahan*
 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE *Haye*
 5 VOLUNTARY INDICATION OF PARTY PREFERENCE ON REGISTRY CARDS."
 6 *Waldron* *Metcalfe* *Zalosh* *Hummel*

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

8 Section 1. Optional party preference selection on
9 registry cards. (1) Registry cards, whether used for
10 registration in person or by mail, shall contain a section
11 substantially as follows:

12 OPTIONAL INFORMATION

13 Party Preference:

- 14 Republican Party
- 15 Democratic Party
- 16 Other _____

17 The secretary of state shall prescribe the form to be used
18 on the registry card to carry out the provisions of this
19 subsection.

20 (2) The party preference information called for in
21 subsection (1) is entirely voluntary. The secretary of state
22 shall inform county registrars that party preference
23 information may not be required of electors registering to
24 vote. County registrars in turn shall instruct or inform
25 all other persons in the county entitled to register

1 electors of the voluntary nature of the information. All
2 persons entitled to register electors shall inform any
3 electors being registered of the voluntary nature of the
4 information. The secretary of state shall prepare and
5 distribute to the registrars guidelines for appropriate
6 printed material, either on the registry card or separate,
7 to inform electors registering by mail of the voluntary
8 nature of the information.

9 Section 2. Codification instruction. Section 1 is
10 intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 13,
11 chapter 2, part 2, and the provisions of Title 13, chapter
12 2, apply to section 1.

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