

House Bill 493

In The House

January 26, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Business and Industry.
February 20, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended.
February 21, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.  Second reading pass consideration.
February 23, 1981	Second reading do pass.  Second reading segregated.  Rereferred to Committee on Business and Industry.
April 23, 1981	Died in Committee.

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INTRODUCED BY *Teague Conroy, O'Connell, Listeria*

*Richard Manning, Carlock, Ransen, Paul, Bennett*  
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ALLOW NONPROFIT

GROUPS AND BUSINESSES WHO HAVE BEEN LICENSED BY THE CITY OR  
THE COUNTY TO AWARD CASH PRIZES FOR BINGO; AMENDING SECTION  
23-5-412, MCA."

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

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(2) Bingo prizes may be cash if:

(a) a nonprofit group or organization is conducting the bingo game; or

(b) the city or county issues a license allowing the licensee to conduct bingo games for cash prizes. In the case of a business, the city or county may issue a license only

1 if the income derived from the bingo merely supplements the  
2 business's total income and is not the primary source of  
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-2- INTRODUCED BILL  
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Approved by Committee  
on Business and Industry

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SECOND READING

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