

House Bill 604

In The House

February 2, 1981

Introduced and referred
to Committee on Judiciary.

February 12, 1981

Committee recommend bill
do not pass.

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 604
2 INTRODUCED BY lundqvist

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE
5 QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IV,
6 SECTION 3, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE ELECTIONS,
7 EXCEPT PRIMARY ELECTIONS, TO BE HELD WITHIN 22 DAYS
8 FOLLOWING PAYMENT OR REPORTING OF TAXES."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
11 Section 1. Article IV, section 3, of the Constitution
12 of the State of Montana is amended to read:

13 "Section 3. Elections. (1) The legislature shall
14 provide by law the requirements for residence, registration,
15 absentee voting, and administration of elections. It may
16 provide for a system of poll booth registration, and shall
17 insure the purity of elections and guard against abuses of
18 the electoral process.

19 ~~(2) An election, except a primary election, of any~~
20 ~~officer of the state or of any county, city, town, or public~~
21 ~~school district or an election authorizing bond issues, mill~~
22 ~~levies, or an area-wide special improvement district of the~~
23 ~~state or of any county, city, town, or public school~~
24 ~~district shall be held on a date within 22 days following~~
25 ~~either the date upon which income tax is payable for~~

1 ~~calendar year taxpayers or the annual or semiannual date~~
2 ~~upon which real property taxes are payable."~~

3 Section 2. Effective date. If approved by the
4 electorate, this amendment is effective July 1, 1983.

5 Section 3. Submission to electors. This amendment
6 shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Montana
7 at the general election to be held in November, 1982, by
8 printing on the ballot the full title of this act and the
9 following:

- 10 FOR amending the Montana Constitution to require
11 elections, except primary elections, to be held
12 within 22 days following payment or reporting of
13 taxes.
- 14 AGAINST amending the Montana Constitution to require
15 elections, except primary elections, to be held
16 within 22 days following payment or reporting of
17 taxes.

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