

House Bill 688

In The House

February 9, 1981

Introduced and referred  
to Committee on Appropriations.

April 23, 1981

Died in Committee.

1   HOUSE      BILL NO. 688  
 2    INTRODUCED BY *Mussaev*                   *Stabin*  
 3    *Deafelant Bennett*   *Kerwitz*   *Curtis*   *Long*   *Conroy*  
 4    A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CREATE TWO EXTENSION  
 5    FORESTER POSITIONS; TO ESTABLISH DUTIES; AND TO APPROPRIATE  
 6    FUNDS FOR THE EXTENSION FORESTER PROGRAM."  
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8    BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9           Section 1. State extension forester. There are created  
 10 two positions of state extension forester:

11           (1) one to be located in the cooperative extension  
 12 service at Montana state university; and

13           (2) one to be located in the forestry school at the  
 14 university of Montana.

15           Section 2. Duties. The duties of the extension  
 16 foresters are to:

17           (1) provide information and educational programs for  
 18 the private forest landowners on marketing, forestry  
 19 incentive programs, management practices, protections  
 20 available from insects, disease, and fire, and laws applying  
 21 to private forest landowners and forestry in general;

22           (2) develop a working relationship with the forest  
 23 products industry and keep apprised of their needs and  
 24 technical knowledge;

25           (3) participate on interdisciplinary task forces and

1    teams within the cooperative extension service and the  
 2    forestry school and with other agencies concerning the use  
 3    and management of forest lands; and

4           (4) plan and conduct educational programs covering  
 5    forest ecology, forest inventory, and forest economics,  
 6    stressing the benefits and costs of alternative uses of  
 7    natural resources within private forest lands and the need  
 8    for natural resources that do not pass through the market,  
 9    as well as the need for reasonable and effective forest land  
 10 management practices and maximum utilization of the  
 11 potential in forest products and byproducts.

12           Section 3. Appropriation. There is appropriated  
 13 \$215,536 from the general fund to the Montana university  
 14 system, cooperative extension service, state extension  
 15 forester program, for the biennium ending June 30, 1983.

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