House Joint Resolution 43

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February 18, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Education.
February 23, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass.
	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 25, 1981	Second reading do not pass.

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15 WHEREAS, in addition to its primary effort of 16 education, the University System conducts many significant 17 and important programs of research; and

18 WHEREAS, the cities and towns of Montana are a vital 19 component of the Montana quality of life and desirable state 20 life style; and

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1 representative organization, the Montana League of Cities and Towns, in conjunction with similar organizations in our 2 sister states of North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming, 3 have identified priority problems that affect their 4 operations and for which solutions could be found in applied 5 and coordination of efforts to find technology; 6 technological solutions to these problems is effected 7 through the Upper Plains State Innovation Group (UPSIG); and 8 WHEREAS, the University System of Montana has the 9 capability to contribute solutions to the identified 10 problems of the cities and towns of Montana. 11 12 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE

14 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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