

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58

INTRODUCED BY NORDTVEDT, SALES, ELLERD, WALLIN

IN THE HOUSE

March 26, 1981

Introduced and referred to
Committee on State Adminis-
tration.

March 31, 1981

Committee recommend bill do
pass. Report adopted.

On motion rules suspended and
bill placed on second reading
this day.

Second reading, do pass.

On motion rules suspended and
bill placed on third reading
this day.

Third reading, passed.
Ayes, 87; Noes, 8.
Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

April 1, 1981

Introduced and referred to
Committee on State Adminis-
tration.

April 9, 1981

Committee recommend bill be
concurred in. Report adopted.

April 11, 1981

Second reading, concurred in
as amended.

On motion rules suspended.
Bill placed on calendar for
third reading this day.

Third reading, concurred in
as amended. Ayes, 39; Noes, 10.

IN THE HOUSE

April 13, 1981

Returned from Senate with
amendments.

April 17, 1981

Second reading, amendments
concurred in.

On motion rules suspended
and bill placed on third
reading this day.

Third reading, amendments
concurred in. Ayes, 90;
Noes, 5. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING THE
6 EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION TO LEASE OR PURCHASE NECESSARY
7 OFFICE SPACE IN BOZEMAN AT THE LEAST POSSIBLE COST
8 CONSISTENT WITH ITS NEEDS AND TO SELL THE EXPENSIVE LAND
9 WHICH IT HAS ALREADY PURCHASED.

11 WHEREAS, Montana citizens, because of chronic
12 inflation, the economic slowdown, and a growing tax burden,
13 are facing a period of economic austerity; and

14 WHEREAS, in March 1979, the Montana Employment Security
15 Division purchased one of the most expensive commercial
16 building sites in Bozeman, located at 19th Avenue and Main
17 Street; and

18 WHEREAS, the Employment Security Division intends to
19 construct an expensive office building at this site; and

20 WHEREAS, these actions will result in such property
21 being taken off the property tax rolls, with an ensuing loss
22 of local property taxes amounting to as much as \$15,000
23 annually; and

24 WHEREAS, there is much commercial space available for
25 lease or sale in Bozeman that would cost the Employment

1 Security Division substantially less; and

2 WHEREAS, Montanans rightfully expect their government

3 to be fiscally prudent and responsible.

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5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE

6 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

7 That the Employment Security Division is strongly urged

8 to cease its planning and work on the Bozeman construction

9 project and to sell the acquired land back to the private

10 sector in an orderly and profitable manner.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Employment Security
12 Division is strongly urged to lease or purchase its office
13 space at the least possible cost consistent with its needs.

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SECOND READING BILL
WAS NOT PRINTED.

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3 *Miller*

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Proposed amendment to House Joint Resolution 58, third reading copy, as follows:

1. Page 2, line 10.
Following: "orderly"
Strike: "and profitable"