

Senate Bill 48

In The Senate

January 5, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.
February 3, 1981	Committee recommend bill as amended.
February 4, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 5, 1981	Second reading do pass.
February 6, 1981	Correctly engrossed.  On motion, Senate reconsider its action take, on second reading the previous legislative day. Motion adopted.  On motion taken from third reading and referred to local Government.
February 20, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass.
February 21, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 23, 1981	Second reading indefinitely postponed.



Approved by Comm.  
on Local Government

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 6 PERSON TO TECHNICAL OR SCIENTIFIC OR LICENSED EMPLOYMENT  
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 8 ONLY AVAILABLE QUALIFIED APPLICANT; AMENDING 2-2-302, MCA."  
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 23 and/or attendants; and

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 25 ~~employment requiring skills that are technical or scientific~~

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 2 ~~(i) others possessing those skills or qualifications~~  
 3 ~~are not reasonably available for appointment; or~~  
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 5 ~~applicant based upon some recognized objective criteria. THE~~  
 6 ~~APPOINTMENT OF A PERSON TO EMPLOYMENT REQUIRING SPECIALIZED~~  
 7 ~~SKILLS THAT ARE TECHNICAL OR SCIENTIFIC IN NATURE BASED UPON~~  
 8 ~~RECOGNIZED OBJECTIVE CRITERIA WHEN NO OTHER QUALIFIED PERSON~~  
 9 ~~HAS APPLIED FOR THAT POSITION AND REASONABLE EFFORTS HAVE~~  
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SECOND READING

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