

Senate Bill 86

In The Senate

January 9, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
January 21, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended.
January 22, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
January 24, 1981	Second reading segregated.
January 26, 1981	Second reading do pass as amended.
January 27, 1981	Correctly engrossed.
January 28, 1981	Third reading passed.

In The House

January 29, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 6, 1981	Committee recommend bill not concurred.

In The Senate

March 7, 1981	Returned from House not concurred.
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 2 INTRODUCED BY *Bill Troutman, J. Hafferman*  
 3 *Mike Gallivan, Lee Bob Brown*

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 5 QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III,  
 6 SECTION 4, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO INCREASE THE  
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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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 11 of the state of Montana is amended to read:

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 13 by initiative on all matters except appropriations of money  
 14 and local or special laws.

15 (2) Initiative petitions must contain the full text of  
 16 the proposed measure, shall be signed by at least ~~five~~ ten  
 17 percent of the qualified electors in each of at least  
 18 one-third of the legislative representative districts and  
 19 the total number of signers must be at least ~~five~~ ten  
 20 percent of the total qualified electors of the state. In  
 21 determining the ten percent figure for the total number of  
 22 signers on an initiative petition, no more than fifteen  
 23 percent of the qualified electors from any one district may  
 24 be included. Petitions shall be filed with the secretary of  
 25 state at least three months prior to the election at which

1 the measure will be voted upon.

2 (3) The sufficiency of the initiative petition shall  
 3 not be questioned after the election is held."

4 Section 2. This amendment shall be submitted to the  
 5 qualified electors of Montana at the general election to be  
 6 held in November, 1982, and there shall be printed on the  
 7 ballot the full title of this act and the following words:

- 8  FOR increasing the number of signatures required for
- 9 initiative petitions.
- 10  AGAINST increasing the number of signatures required
- 11 for initiative petitions.

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-2- INTRODUCED BILL  
 SB 86

Approved by Committee  
on State Administration

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INTRODUCED BY GALT, TVEIT, MANLEY, HAFFERMAN,

MCCALLUM, ANDERSON, LEE, B. BROWN

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SECOND READING

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