

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

INTRODUCED BY GOODOVER, TURNAGE

BY REQUEST OF THE SENATE TAXATION COMMITTEE

IN THE SENATE

March 12, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
March 30, 1983	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
March 31, 1983	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
April 4, 1983	Second reading, do pass.
April 5, 1983	Correctly engrossed.
	Third reading, passed. Ayes, 47; Noes, 1. Transmitted to House.

IN THE HOUSE

April 6, 1983	Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
April 13, 1983	Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.
April 14, 1983	Second reading, concurred in.
April 15, 1983	Third reading, concurred in.

IN THE SENATE

April 15, 1983

Returned to Senate with
amendments.

April 20, 1983

Second reading, amendments
concurred in.

April 21, 1983

Third reading, amendments
concurred in. Ayes, 48;
Noes, 2.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

Approved by committee
On Taxation

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~~WHEREAS, THE LEGISLATURE ALLOWS TAX DEDUCTIONS, TAX EXCLUSIONS, AND TAX EXEMPTIONS IN AN ATTEMPT TO FURTHER THE PUBLIC POLICY OF THE STATE OF MONTANA; AND~~

WHEREAS, the cost to the State of the various tax credits, ~~TAX DEDUCTIONS, TAX EXCLUSIONS, AND TAX EXEMPTIONS~~ is significant; in the case of the investment tax credit, the cost is \$10 million per year; and

WHEREAS, there is no review of the effect of the tax credits, ~~TAX DEDUCTIONS, TAX EXCLUSIONS, AND TAX EXEMPTIONS~~ to determine if they actually ~~PROMOTE THE PUBLIC POLICY OR~~ encourage the activities and conduct they are intended to

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HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE
AMENDMENTS TO SJR 23, THIRD READING COPY, BLUE
APRIL 12, 1983

1. Page 1, line 18.
Following: ", the"
Strike: "cost to"
Insert: "effect on"

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