

HOUSE BILL NO. 507

1/26 Introduced
1/26 Referred to Judiciary
2/14 Hearing
2/16 Committee Report-No Recommendation
2/19 2nd Reading Pass
2/21 3rd Reading Pass

Transmitted to Senate

3/05 Referred to Judiciary
3/14 Hearing
3/23 Adverse Committee Report
3/23 Bill Killed

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17 status of the individual; however, nothing in this section
18 prohibits an insurer from taking marital status into account
19 for the purpose of defining persons eligible for dependent
20 benefits, from excluding coverage for pregnancy, except for
21 complications of pregnancy, or from making distinctions on
22 the basis of sex or marital status when bona fide
23 statistical differences in risk or exposure have been
24 substantiated.

25 Section 2. Repealer. Section 49-2-309, MCA, is

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2 Section 3. Extension of authority. Any existing
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4 the subject of the provisions of this act is extended to the
5 provisions of this act.

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7 intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 33,
8 chapter 18, part 2, and the provisions of Title 33, chapter
9 18, part 2, apply to section 1.

0 Section 5. Applicability. This act applies to
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2 state on or after October 1, 1985, but does not apply to any
3 policy provision which, pursuant to a policy issued before
4 October 1, 1985, is applicable after that date.

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2 INTRODUCED BY *Wayne Stephens William Kestad*
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5 RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION IN INSURANCE AND RETIREMENT
6 PLANS; LIMITING THE PROHIBITION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION ON
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