

HOUSE BILL NO. 555

1/29 Introduced  
1/29 Referred to State Administration  
2/11 Hearing  
2/11 Adverse Committee Report  
2/13 Bill Killed

1                    HOUSE BILL NO. 555  
 2    INTRODUCED BY Bradley Jordan  
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 4    A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED:    "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT TWO  
 5    PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS BE CHOSEN FROM THE STATE AT LARGE AND  
 6    ONE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR BE CHOSEN FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL  
 7    DISTRICT; AMENDING SECTIONS 13-25-101, 13-25-102, AND  
 8    13-25-104, MCA."

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 10    BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

11            Section 1. Section 13-25-101, MCA, is amended to read:

12            "13-25-101. Nomination of electors -- ballot. (1) Each  
 13    political party qualified under 13-10-601 shall nominate one  
 14    presidential elector from each congressional district and  
 15    two electors at large for this state and file certificates  
 16    of nomination for these candidates with the secretary of  
 17    state no later than 45 days before the general election, in  
 18    the manner and number provided by law.

19            (2) The secretary of state shall certify to the  
 20    election administrator the names of the candidates for  
 21    president and vice president of the several political  
 22    parties, which shall be printed on the ballot.

23            (3) The names of candidates for electors of president  
 24    and vice president may not be printed upon the ballot."

25            Section 2. Section 13-25-102, MCA, is amended to read:

1            "13-25-102. Election of electors. (1) On the Tuesday  
 2    next after the first Monday of November in the year in which  
 3    a president of the United States is to be elected, there  
 4    shall be elected as many electors for president and vice  
 5    president of the United States as are allocated to this  
 6    state.

7            (2) The votes cast for candidates for president and  
 8    vice president of each political party in each congressional  
 9    district and for the state at large shall be counted for the  
 10    candidates for presidential electors of the political party  
 11    whose names have been filed with the secretary of state."

12            Section 3. Section 13-25-104, MCA, is amended to read:

13            "13-25-104. Meeting and voting of electors. (1) The  
 14    electors shall meet in Helena at 2 p.m. on the first Monday  
 15    after the second Wednesday in December following their  
 16    election.

17            (2) The electors shall vote by separate ballots for  
 18    one person for president and one for vice president of the  
 19    United States.

20            (3) ~~The electors shall cast their ballots for the~~  
 21    ~~persons who received the highest number of votes~~ Votes for  
 22    president and vice president of the United States,  
 23    respectively, must be cast, according to the number of votes  
 24    in the most recently conducted general election in the state  
 25    of Montana-;

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1       (a) by the electors at large for the persons who  
2       received the highest number of votes in the state; and  
3       (b) by the elector from each congressional district  
4       for the persons who received the largest number of votes in  
5       that congressional district."

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