IN THE HOUSE

February 12, 1985

February 25, 1985

February 27, 1985

Introduced and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.

Bill printed and placed on members' desks.

Second reading, do pass as amended.

On motion, rules suspended and bill placed on third reading this day.

Third reading, passed.
Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

March 6, 1985

March 29, 1985

Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.

Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.

On motion, rules temporarily suspended in order that all bills considered on second reading on the 70 th Legislative Day advance to third reading that same day.

April 1, 1985

## IN THE HOUSE

Second reading, concurred in.
Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 50; Noes, 0.

Returned to House with amendments.

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April 8, 1985
April 8, 1985
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April 2, 1985

Received from Senate.
Second reading, amendments concurred in.

On motion, rules suspended and
bill placed on third reading this day.

Third reading, amendments concurred in.

Sent to enrolling.
Reported correctly enrolled.

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(5) "Governing body" means a board of county commissioners or the governing authority of any city or town organized pursuant to law.
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## INTRODUCED BY House gill no. 791

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
Section 1. Section 76-3-103, MCA, is amended to read: "76-3-103. Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the context or subject matter clearly requires otherwise, the following words or phrases shall have the following meanings:
(1) "Certificate of survey" means a drawing of a field survey prepared by a registered surveyor for the purpose of disclosing facts pertaining to boundary locations.
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INTRODUCED BY BRANDEWIE

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## SENATE

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT
................March 29. $\qquad$

## MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on
LOCAL GOVERNMENT
having had under consideration. HOUSE BILL $\qquad$ No.. 791

THIRD $\qquad$ - reading copy $1 \xrightarrow[\text { color }]{\text { BLUE }}$,

REVISING DEFINITION OF SUBDIVISION

HOUSE BILL
Respectfuly report as follows: That

1. Page 6, line 10.

Following: ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ " (2)"
2. Page 6, line 12.

Following: "shall"
Strike: "approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove"
Insert: "review"
3. Page 6, line 14.

Following: "for"
Strike: "approval
4. Page 6, line 15 .

Following: "review"
Strike: "and approval"
5. Page 6, line 17.

Following: "provided."
Insert: "The review shall provide either:
(i) that the access and easements are suitable for the purposes of providing appropriate services to the land; or (ii) that the access and easements are not suitable for the purposes of providing appropriate services to the land, in which case the county, the school district or district and other authorities and districts in which the land is locared will not provide services that involve use of the unsuitable access and easements. Such services include:
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(B) school bussing;
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(C) ambulance;
(E) similar services as determined by the governing
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Section 1．Section 76－3－505，MCA，is amended to read：
＂76－3－505．Provision for sumary review of minor eertain subdivisions AND OTHER DIVISIONS OF LAND．（1）Local subdivision regulations shall include procedures for the summary review and approval of subdivision plats containing five or fewer parcels where proper access to all lots is
provided, where no land in the subdivision will be dedicated to public use for parks or playgrounds, and which have been approved by the department of health and environmental sciences where such approval is required by part 1 of chapter 4; provided that reasonable local regulations may contain additional requirements for summary approval.
(2) Local subdivision regulations must include procedures for review of those subditisions DIVISIONS of LAND consisting exclusively of parcels 20 acres or larger subject to this chapter. Rules governing review of these subditisions DIVISIONS OF LAND shall be limited to a written determination of whether appropriate access and easements are properly provided."

Section 2. Section 76-3-609, MCA, is amended to read:
"76-3-609. Review procedure for minor eertain MINOR subdivisions AND OTHER DIVISIONS OF LAND. (1) Subdivisions containing five or fewer parcels where proper access to all lots is provided and in which no land is to be dedicated to the public for parks or playgrounds are to be reviewed as follows:
t¥t(a) The governing body must approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove the first such subdivision from a tract of record within 35 days of the submission of an application for approval thereof.
$t z+(b)$ The governing body shall state in writing the
conditions which must be met if the subdivision is conditionally approved or what local regulations would not be met by the subdivision if it disapproves the subdivision.
$\boldsymbol{t} \boldsymbol{+}(\mathrm{C})$ The requirements for holding a public hearing and preparing an environmental assessment shall not apply to the first such subdivision created from a tract of record.
(4)(d) Subsequent subdivisions from a tract of record shall be reviewed under 76-3-505 and regulations adopted pursuant to that section.
(2) (A) FOr subditistons DIVISIONS OF LAND consisting exclusively of parcels 20 acres and larger, the governing body shall approver--conditionatty--approve;--or--disapprove REVIEW the subdivision DIVISION OF LAND within 35 days of the submission of an application for approvai REVIEW. The governing body's review and-approvaz must be limited to a written determination that appropriate access and easements are properly provided. THE REVIEW SHALL PROVIDE EITHER:

1I) THAT THE ACCESS AND EASEMENTS ARE SUITABLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING APPROPRIATE SERVICES TO THE LAND; OR
(II) THAT THE ACCESS AND EASEMENTS ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING APPROPRIATE SERVICES TO THE LAND, IN WHICH CASE THE COUNTY, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR DISTRICTS, AND OTHER AUTHORITIES AND DISTRICTS IN WHICH THE LAND IS LOCATED WILL NOT PROVIDE SERVICES THAT INVOLVE USE OF THE UNSUITABLE ACCESS AND EASEMENTS. SUCH SERVICES INCLUDE:

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(A) FIRE PROTECTION;
(B) SCHOOL BUSING;
(C) AMBULANCE;
(D) SNOW REMOVAL; AND
(E) SIMILAR SERVICES AS DETERMINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY.
(B) THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL DELIVER A COPY OF THE DETERMINATION OF THE REVIEW TO THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER TO BE REFLECTED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY OR DEED OF CONVEYANCE OF THE LAND THAT WAS SUBJECT TO REVIEN.
(C) THE GOVERNING BODY MAY, UPON APPLICATION BY A LANDOWNER, REDETERMINE THE SUITABILITY OF ACCESS AND EASEMENTS. IF THE GOVERNING BODY DETERMINES THAT THERE HAS BEEN A MATERIAL CHANGE REGARDING ACCESS OR EASEMENTS AND THE CHANGE PROVIDES FOR SUITABLE ACCESS AND EASEMENTS FOR SERVICES, IT MAY DETERMINE THAT SUCH LAND IS NOW SUITABLE AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2)(A)(I) AND SHALL DELIVER A COPY OF SUCH DETERMINATION TO THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER TO BE REFLECTED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY OR DEED OF CONVEYANCE.
(D) Requirements for holding a public hearing, preparing an environmental assessment, and finding that the subdivision DIVISION OF LAND is in the public interest do not apply."
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    INTRODUCED BY

    A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DEFINITION OF A SUBDIVISION UNDER THE MONTANA SUBDIVISION AND PLATTING ACT; PROVIDING RESTRICTED REVIEW REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN SUBDIVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-103, 76-3-104, 76-3-505, AND 76-3-609, MCA."

    BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
    Section 1. Section 76-3-103. MCA, is amended to read:
    "76-3-103. Definitions. As used in this chapter, unless the context or subject matter clearly requires otherwise, the following words or phrases shall have the following meanings:
    (1) "Certificate of survey" means a drawing of a field survey prepared by a registered surveyor for the purpose of disclosing facts pertaining to boundary locations.
    (2) "Dedication" means the deliberate appropriation of land by an owner for any general and public use, reserving to himself no rights which are incompatible with the full exercise and enjoyment of the public use to which the property has been devoted.
    (3) "Division of land" means the segregation of one or more parcels of land from a larger tract held in single or

