## HOUSE BILL NO. 951

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HOUSE BILL NO. 951 1 INTRODUCED, BY 2 3 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE 4 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF 5 CERTAIN UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BUILDINGS; APPROPRIATING 6 THE 7 PROCEEDS; AMENDING SECTION 17-5-405, MCA; AND PROVIDING A 8 CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Bonds for university 11 buildings. (1) The board of examiners is authorized to issue 12 13 and sell bonds upon the conditions and in the manner stated 14 in Title 17, chapter 5, part 8, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and 15 16 equipping buildings as provided in [section 2]. The authority granted to the board by this section is in 17 addition to any other authorization to the board to issue 18 19 and sell bonds.

(2) The proceeds of the bonds authorized by subsection
(1) must be deposited in the capital projects fund created
by 17-5-401.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 2. Appropriation. The following
 money is appropriated from the capital projects fund to the
 Department of Administration for the indicated capital



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debt service account.

## 1 projects: (1) Business Administration Building, 2 \$8,847,000 University of Montana 3 (2) Engineering and Science Building, 4 \$7,618,000 Montana State University 5 (3) Vocational-Technical Teaching Center, 6 \$4,728,000 Northern Montana College 7 (4) Classroom Building, в \$6.807,000 Eastern Montana College 9 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Pledge of certain excess 10 money. The state pledges and appropriates the excess money 11 identified under 17-5-405(5) to pay principal, interest, and 12 redemption premium, if any, on bonds issued under this bond 13 14 act. Section 4. Section 17-5-405, MCA, is amended to read: 15 "17-5-405. Debt service account. (1) From and after 16 the pledge and appropriation of any special tax to the debt 17 service account, as provided and contemplated in this 18 19 section, 17-5-407, and 17-5-408, such tax shall continue in 20 force and shall be available and shall be pledged and appropriated for the payment of long-range building program 21

bonds, and all moneys received from the collection thereof

shall be deposited by the treasurer to the credit of the

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(2) No special taxes pledged to the debt service

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account on January 1, 1973, shall be discontinued or diverted to other funds until all bonds issued pursuant to this part prior to that date and the interest thereon have been fully paid or the state's liability thereon has been fully discharged, except to the extent, if any, that the right so to do has been reserved in the resolutions authorizing the issuance of such bonds.

8 (3) Subject to the provisions of subsections (1) and 9 (2), the state reserves the right to modify from time to 10 time the nature and amount of special taxes to be deposited 11 to the credit of the debt service account.

(4) Money in the debt service account shall be used: • 12 first, to pay interest and principal when due on long-range 13 building program bonds; second, to accumulate a reserve in 14 the amount required below, for the further security of such 15 payments; and third, to maintain this reserve in an amount 16 at least equal, after each interest and principal payment, 17 to the maximum amount of interest and principal which will 18 become due on all such bonds which are then outstanding in 19 any subsequent fiscal year. 20

(5) Money at any time received in the debt service account in excess of the principal, interest, and reserve requirements stated in subsection (4) shall-be-transferred by--the--treasurer--to--the--general--fund is pledged and appropriated as provided in [section 3]. If the balance at 1 any time on hand in the debt service account is not 2 sufficient for compliance with subsection (4), the treasurer 3 shall credit to said account an amount sufficient to restore 4 said balance from the next collections of the special taxes appropriated to said account and from any other collections 5 6 of taxes appropriated to the general fund, not exceeding the 7 aggregate amount theretofore transferred from the debt 8 service account to the general fund."

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 5. Two-thirds majority -effective date. If passed by a two-thirds majority of each
house of the legislature, as required by 17-5-801, and
approved, this act is effective on July 1, 1986.

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