

SENATE BILL NO. 297

1/31 Introduced  
2/01 Referred to Business & Industry  
2/12 Hearing  
2/16 Adverse Committee Report  
2/16 Bill Killed

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *297*  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Cole Richard Ellermaning Carey Waldron*  
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC  
 5 SERVICE COMMISSION TO ORDER AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF A PUBLIC  
 6 UTILITY TO BE PAID FOR BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY; AND PROVIDING  
 7 AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

10 Section 1. Independent public utility audit. The  
 11 commission may order an independent financial or management  
 12 audit, or both, of a public utility, to be paid for by the  
 13 public utility, if the commission considers an audit  
 14 necessary to the performance of the commission's regulatory  
 15 duties. The independent auditor has access to all  
 16 information available to the commission under this chapter.

17 Section 2. Codification instruction. Section 1 is  
 18 intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 69,  
 19 chapter 3, part 1, and the provisions of Title 69, chapter  
 20 3, apply to section 1.

21 Section 3. Effective date. This act is effective on  
 22 passage and approval.

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