

HOUSE BILL NO. 126

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IN THE HOUSE

JANUARY 9, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & AGING.
JANUARY 22, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
JANUARY 23, 1987	PRINTING REPORT.
JANUARY 24, 1987	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
JANUARY 26, 1987	ENGROSSING REPORT. THIRD READING, PASSED. TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

JANUARY 27, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & SAFETY.
FEBRUARY 12, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 16, 1987	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
FEBRUARY 18, 1987	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 50; NOES, 0.

FEBRUARY 18, 1987

RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS.

IN THE HOUSE

MARCH 5, 1987

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

MARCH 6, 1987

THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

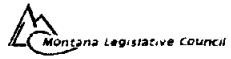
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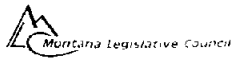
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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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.....February 11,..... 1987.....

MR. PRESIDENT

Health, Welfare, and Safety

We, your committee on.....

having had under consideration..... House Bill..... No. 126.....

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OLDER MONTANANS ACT

Respectfully report as follows: That..... House Bill..... No. 126.....

BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Page 3, lines 3 and 4.
Following: "provided"
Strike: remainder of line 3 through "The" on line 4
Insert: ". Subject to available funding, the"

2. Page 3, line 10.
Following: "services"
Strike: "SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE FUNDING"

AND AS AMENDED,
BE CONCURRED IN

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Dorothy Eck

Chairman.