

HB 154 INTRODUCED BY BRADLEY, ET AL.
PROVIDES A WATER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PREFERENCE FOR
AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS
BY REQUEST OF WATER POLICY COMMITTEE

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1/19 HEARING
1/23 TABLED IN COMMITTEE

1 HB BILL NO. 154
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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DIRECTING THE
 6 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION TO GIVE
 7 PREFERENTIAL CONSIDERATION TO CERTAIN PROPOSALS FOR FUNDING
 8 FROM THE WATER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING AN
 9 EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."
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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

12 Section 1. Water development program direction --
 13 future preference for appropriations. (1) The department of
 14 natural resources and conservation is directed to recognize
 15 in particular the primary role of agriculture in the state's
 16 economy and the needs of its agricultural constituency when
 17 it formulates its promotion, assistance, and development
 18 programs under Title 85, chapter 1, part 6.

19 (2) In evaluating proposals for use of funds from the
 20 water development state special revenue account for the
 21 biennium ending June 30, 1991, the department of natural
 22 resources and conservation and the legislature shall give
 23 preferential consideration to proposals that promote:

- 24 (a) the development of agriculture in Montana; and
- 25 (b) other state water projects or programs recommended

1 by the legislative water policy committee established in
 2 85-2-105.

3 Section 2. Effective date. This act is effective July
 4 1, 1987.

5 Section 3. Termination date. This act terminates June
 6 30, 1989.

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