

HB 398 INTRODUCED BY DAILY, ET AL.
LIMITING LEGISLATORS TO THREE BILLS PER SESSION BY
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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1/22	REFERRED TO RULES	
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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

1 INTRODUCED BY *Henry* BILL NO. *398*
Daryl Carlovich

2 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE
3 QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V,
4 SECTION 11, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT TO THREE
5 THE NUMBER OF BILLS A LEGISLATOR MAY INTRODUCE; AND
6 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."
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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Article V, section 11, of The Constitution
10 of the State of Montana is amended to read:

11 "Section 11. Bills. (1) A law shall be passed by bill
12 which shall not be so altered or amended on its passage
13 through the legislature as to change its original purpose.
14 No bill shall become law except by a vote of the majority of
15 all members present and voting.

16 (2) Every vote of each member of the legislature on
17 each substantive question in the legislature, in any
18 committee, or in committee of the whole shall be recorded
19 and made public. On final passage, the vote shall be taken
20 by ayes and noes and the names entered on the journal.

21 (3) Each bill, except general appropriation bills and
22 bills for the codification and general revision of the laws,
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1 title. If any subject is embraced in any act and is not
2 expressed in the title, only so much of the act not so
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4 (4) A general appropriation bill shall contain only
5 appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the legislative,
6 executive, and judicial branches, for interest on the public
7 debt, and for public schools. Every other appropriation
8 shall be made by a separate bill, containing but one
9 subject.

10 (5) No appropriation shall be made for religious,
11 charitable, industrial, educational, or benevolent purposes
12 to any private individual, private association, or private
13 corporation not under control of the state.

14 (6) A law may be challenged on the ground of
15 noncompliance with this section only within two years after
16 its effective date.

17 (7) No member of the legislature may introduce more
18 than three bills during a regular or special session of the
19 legislature. This limit does not apply to appropriation
20 bills or revenue bills."

21 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. If approved
22 by the electorate, this amendment is effective January 1,
23 1989.

24 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Submission to electorate.
25 This amendment shall be submitted to the electorate at the



1 general election to be held November 8, 1988, by printing on
2 the ballot the full title of this act and the following:

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5 special session.

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7 member of the legislature may introduce during a
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