

HB 421 INTRODUCED BY SALES  
REMOVE AGE AS A QUALIFICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

1/23 INTRODUCED  
1/23 REFERRED TO HUMAN SERVICES & AGING  
1/26 FISCAL NOTE REQUESTED  
1/30 FISCAL NOTE RECEIVED  
2/03 HEARING  
2/03 TABLED IN COMMITTEE

1 House BILL NO. 421  
2 INTRODUCED BY SALES

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE  
5 ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XII, SECTION 3,  
6 OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO ELIMINATE AGE AS A  
7 QUALIFICATION FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL  
8 SERVICES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

11 Section 1. Article XII, section 3, of The Constitution  
12 of the State of Montana is amended to read:

13 "Section 3. Institutions and assistance. (1) The  
14 state shall establish and support institutions and  
15 facilities as the public good may require, including homes  
16 which may be necessary and desirable for the care of  
17 veterans.

18 (2) Persons committed to any such institutions shall  
19 retain all rights except those necessarily suspended as a  
20 condition of commitment. Suspended rights are restored upon  
21 termination of the state's responsibility.

22 (3) The legislature shall provide such economic  
23 assistance and social and rehabilitative services as may be  
24 necessary for those inhabitants who, by reason of age,  
25 infirmities, or misfortune may have need for the aid of

1 society."

2 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. If approved  
3 by the electorate, this amendment is effective July 1, 1989.

4 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Submission to electorate.  
5 This amendment shall be submitted to the electors of Montana  
6 at the general election to be held November 8, 1988, by  
7 printing on the ballot the full title of this act and the  
8 following:

- 9  FOR eliminating age as a qualification for economic  
10 assistance and governmental services.
- 11  AGAINST eliminating age as a qualification for  
12 economic assistance and governmental services.

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-2- INTRODUCED BILL  
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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB421, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to submit to the electors of Montana an amendment to Article XII, Section 3, of the Montana Constitution to eliminate age as a qualification for economic assistance and governmental services; and providing an effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. This bill does not require the legislature to adopt specific programs, therefore the fiscal impact will result from legislation introduced as a result of passage of the constitutional amendment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

this bill will not have fiscal impact. If the amendment to the constitution passes, the eventual fiscal impact will depend on bills introduced due to the constitutional change.

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Fiscal Note for HB421, as introduced.

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