HB 653 INTRODUCED BY ADDY APPROPRIATION FOR LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

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House BILL NO. 653

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING \$200,000 FROM THE STRIPPER WELL PAYMENT CONTAINED IN THE FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR ENERGY ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS WITH INCOME ABOVE THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL."

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

Section 1. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the department of social and rehabilitation services \$100,000 from the stripper well payment contained in the federal special revenue account for each year of the biennium ending June 30, 1989, for the purpose described in section 2.

Section 2. Matching funds for low-income energy assistance. The department of social and rehabilitation services shall match private contributions to Energy Share, Inc., to be used to assist persons not eligible for federal low-income energy assistance whose income is less than 150% of the federal poverty threshold published by the U.S. bureau of the census in the most recent edition of its publication, Characteristics of the Population Below the Poverty Level (Current Population Reports, Series P-60). All of the funds appropriated to the department for this purpose



- under section 1 must be used for clients' fuel bills or other energy needs.
- 3 Section 3. Extension of authority. Any existing
 4 authority of the department of social and rehabilitation
 5 services to make rules on the subject of the provisions of
 6 this act is extended to the provisions of this act.

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