

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 60

INTRODUCED BY STRIZICH, MANNING, STANG, NISBET,
HARPER, DRISCOLL, PAVLOVICH, D. BROWN

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 17, 1987 INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
 ON BUSINESS & LABOR.

APRIL 21, 1987 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL
 DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.

 PRINTING REPORT.

 SECOND READING, DO PASS.

 ENGROSSING REPORT.

APRIL 22, 1987 THIRD READING, PASSED.
 AYES, 81; NOES, 14.

 TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 23, 1987 INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
 ON BUSINESS & INDUSTRY.

 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE
 CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.

 ON MOTION, PLACED ON SECOND READING
 THIS DAY.

 SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

 THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.
 AYES, 25; NOES, 20.

 RETURNED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 23, 1987

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

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 2 INTRODUCED BY *Stacy R. Erickson, Stacey Nisbet, Steve Stang, Russell Parkhurst, Doug Bern*

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 4 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN
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 6 GAMBLING; AND REQUIRING A REPORT TO THE 51ST LEGISLATURE.
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 12 5, MCA, and Chapter 669, Laws of 1985; and

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 18 governments the responsibility for controlling and
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 20 fragmentation and disparity; and

21 WHEREAS, problems arising from gambling have been
 22 manifested in bills proposed in recent legislatures and in
 23 litigation in the courts of Montana; and

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16 (2) That the interim committee:

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 18 effectiveness of existing gambling regulations;

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 20 various forms of gambling in relationship to the profits of
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 23 Indian reservations to the provisions of the state gambling
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