SB 67 INTRODUCED BY GAGE PROHIBITING STATE EMPLOYEE TESTIMONY ON BILLS EXCEPT IN CERTAIN CASES

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING A STATE EMPLOYEE FROM TESTIFYING ON A BILL BEFORE A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES."

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17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Testimony by state employees on bills.

- (1) Except as provided in 17-7-132, a state employee may not testify on a bill before a legislative committee as a proponent or opponent unless he is appearing as a private citizen on his own time and at his own expense.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) prohibits a state employee from testifying as to the probable effects of enacting a bill on the operations of the agency for which he is employed or as an expert on the subject matter of the bill if he is requested to do so by a:
- 19 (a) legislator;
- 20 (b) legislative committee; or
- (c) person who is testifying on the bill.

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