

IN THE SENATE

MARCH 21, 1987

RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS NOT
CONCURRED IN.

MARCH 23, 1987

ON MOTION, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REQUESTED AND APPOINTED.

IN THE HOUSE

MARCH 24, 1987

ON MOTION, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REQUESTED AND APPOINTED.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 8, 1987

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTED.

APRIL 9, 1987

SECOND READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT ADOPTED.

APRIL 10, 1987

THIRD READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT ADOPTED.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 13, 1987

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT ADOPTED.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 14, 1987

SENT TO ENROLLING.

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *274*
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Lammard*
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APPROVED BY COMM.
ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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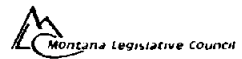
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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

April 7, 1987

MR. PRESIDENT

We, your _____ Conference Committee on

Senate Bill 274

met and considered Senate Bill 274

Reference copy (salmon)

We recommend as follows:

THAT SENATE BILL 274 BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Page 1, line 20.
Following: "include"
Insert: " : (a) "

2. Page 1, line 21.
Following: " EXCEED "
Strike: " 800 "
Insert: "400"

3. Page 1, line 22.
Following: " FIRM "
Insert: ";"
Following: " AND "
Insert: "(b) "

4. Page 2, line 3.
Following: "(2) "
Insert: "(b) "

And that this Conference Committee report be adopted.

FOR THE SENATE

H. W. Hammond
HAMMOND, CHAIRMAN

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MAZUREK

ADOPT REJECT

FOR THE HOUSE

Walter Jones
SALES

Tom Wallin
WALLIN

Tom Bulger
BULGER

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

March 11 19 87

Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT

report SB 274

- do pass
- do not pass
- be concurred in
- be not concurred in
- as amended
- statement of intent attached

Norm Wallin
 Rep. Norm Wallin Chairman

1. Title, line 6.
 Following: first "TO"
 Insert: "A SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS AND"

2. Page 1, line 19.
 Following: "include"
 Insert: "a summary of significant findings not to exceed 800 words prepared by the auditing agency or firm, and"

3. Page 1, line 24.
 Following: "~~2-7-503~~"
 Insert: "within (1)(c) through (1)(h) of 2-7-503"

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