SB 308 INTRODUCED BY TVEIT, DRISCOLL, WHALEN, ET AL.ALLOW BLACKJACK IF AUTHORIZED BY VOTERS OF LICENSINGJURISDICTION
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"23-5-313. Rules of play to-be-posted _- posting --rake-off approved. (1) Rules governing the conduct of each game shall be prominently posted on the premises of any licensed establishment where such game is conducted. Such rules shall include notice of the maximum percentage rake-off, if any, and shall require that the person taking the rake-off do so in an obvious manner and only after announcing the amount of each rake-off, which shall only be taken at the conclusion of each game when the winner of each individual pot has been determined.
(2) If the game twenty-one is played:
(a) a maximum of two tables, with one game at a table, may be operated on the licensed premises;
(b) a maximum of seven persons, including the dealer, may play a game;
(c) the maximum bet is $\$ 5$ a player on each hand he plays: and
(d) the cards must be dealt by the dealer from a device, commonly known as a shoe, that holds five shuffled decks of cards."

Section 3. Section 23-5-321, MCA, is amended to read:
"23-5-321. Licensing by local governing bodies. (1) Any city, town, or county may issue licenses for the games provided for in this part to be conducted on premises which have been licensed for the sale of liquor, beer, food,
cigarettes, or any ather consumable products. Within the cities or towns, such licenses may be issued by the city or town council or commission. Licenses for games conducted on premises outside the limits of any city or town may be issued by the county commissioners of the respective counties. When a license has been required by any city, town, or county, no game as provided for in this part shall be conducted on any premises which have been licensed for the sale of liquor, beer, food, cigarettes, or any other consumable product without such license having first been obtained.
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(2) If a license issued under this section allows the game of twenty-one to be played, each person acting as a dealer must also be licensed. The fee is $\$ 50$ a year, must be paid by June 30 , and must be prorated. A dealer participating in a twenty-one game shall wear an identification badge or card, issued by the licensing governing body, that identifies him as the dealer and states that he is licensed under this subsection to deal the game of twenty-one in establishments licensed to play that game

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    (3) Any A}\mathrm{ (icense issued pursuant-to under this part shati-be-deemed-to-be section is a revocable privilegef--and no--hotder--thereof-may-aequire-any-vested-rights-therein-or thereunder."
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Form BD-15
In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for sB308, on second reading.

## DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to provide that twenty-one is an authorized card game under the Montana card games act if the governing body or electorate of the licensing city, town, or county authorizes its play; and providing an immediate effective date.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Under the proposed law, a governing body may charge an annual license fee of not less than $\$ 1,500$ for each twentyone table. Thirty percent of the local license fees must be deposited in the state general fund. It is not possible to accurately assess the impact that this proposal would have on the general fund. Information is not available on the number of twenty-one tables in the state that would actually be charged the proposed fee.

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION:
Section 3(2) does not specify how the $\$ 50$ fee for dealer licenses is to be used.



Fiscal Note for SB308, on second reading.
RE－REFFERED ANDAPPROVED BY COMM．ONBUSINESS \＆INDUSTRY
AS AMENDED
SENATE BILL NO． 308

INTRODUCED BY TVEIT，DRISCOLL，WHALEN，KOLSTAD，MANNING， DAILY，FRITZ，WALKER，HOLLIDAY，BOYLAN，LYNCH，MENAHAN， QUILICI，MCCORMICK，PAVLOVICH，PISTORIA， BACHIUI，D．BROWN，KEENAN，HARRINGTON
by REQUEST

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED：＂AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT BGAEKJAEF－ӨR TNENTY－ONE IS AN AUTHORIZED CARD GAME UNDER THE MONTANA CARD GAMES ACT IF THE GOVBRNING－BEBY－GR ELECTORATE Of the licensing city，town，or County authorizes its play； ANE AMENDING SECTIONS 23－5－311，23－5－313，AND 23－5－321，MCA AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE．＂ be it enacted by the legislature of the state of montana：

Section 1．Section 23－5－311，MCA，is amended to read：
＂23－5－311．Authorized card games．（1）It is unlawful for any person to conduct or participate in any card game or make any tables．available for the playing of card games except those card games authorized by this part．
（2）The card games authorized by this part are and are limited to the card games known as：
（a）bridge，cribbage，hearts，panguingue，pinochle， pitch，rummy，whist，solo，and poker；and
（b）biaekjack－or twenty－one ifi IF，upon－：


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t王t referral by the governing body to the electorate， ANB a majority of those voting on the question in the licensing city，town，or county authorizes its play－＂
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#### Abstract

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NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. THIS ACT IS EFFECTIVE ON PASSAGE AND APPROVAL.

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