

HOUSE BILL 20

Introduced by Brown, D.

1/02	Introduced
1/02	Referred to Education & Cultural Resources
1/11	Hearing
1/14	Fiscal Note Requested
1/20	Fiscal Note Received
2/09	Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended
2/11	2nd Reading Do Pass as Amended Failed
2/13	Reconsidered Previous Action
2/14	2nd Reading Passed
2/16	3rd Reading Passed

Transmitted to Senate

2/17	Referred to Education & Cultural Resources
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3/13	Committee Report--Bill Concurred
3/14	2nd Reading Concur Motion Failed
3/14	2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed

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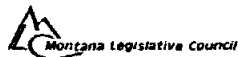
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