

HOUSE BILL 298

Introduced by McCormick, et al.

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1/20	Referred to State Administration
2/03	Hearing
2/03	Committee Report--Bill Not Passed
2/04	Adverse Committee Report Adopted

1 House BILL NO. 298  
2 INTRODUCED BY Wyatt McLinnick Nisbet O'Connell  
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CHANGING THE TIME FOR  
5 CLOSING VOTER REGISTRATION BEFORE AN ELECTION; AND AMENDING  
6 SECTION 13-2-301, MCA."

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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 **Section 1.** Section 13-2-301, MCA, is amended to read:

10 "13-2-301. Close of registration -- procedure. (1) The  
11 election administrator shall:

12 (a) close registrations for 30 45 days before any  
13 election; and

14 (b) publish a notice specifying the day registrations  
15 will close on radio or television as provided in 2-3-105  
16 through 2-3-107 or in a newspaper of general circulation in  
17 the county at least once a week for 3 weeks before the close  
18 of registration.

19 (2) Information to be included in the notice shall be  
20 prescribed by the secretary of state.

21 (3) An individual who submits a completed registration  
22 form to the election administrator before the deadline  
23 provided in subsection (1)(a) is allowed to correct a  
24 mistake on the completed registration form until 5 p.m. on  
25 the 10th day following the close of registration, and

1 thereafter the qualified elector is eligible to vote in the  
2 next election."

3 NEW SECTION. **Section 2.** Extension of authority. Any  
4 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the  
5 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of  
6 [this act].

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