

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 47

INTRODUCED BY GILBERT

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 10, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.
APRIL 11, 1989	FIRST READING.
APRIL 14, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 15, 1989	PRINTING REPORT. SECOND READING, DO PASS. ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED AND BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THE 86TH LEGISLATIVE DAY.
APRIL 17, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT. THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 93; NOES, 6. TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 18, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT. FIRST READING.
APRIL 19, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED. ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO PLACE BILL ON SECOND READING THIS DAY. SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN. ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO PLACE BILL ON THIRD READING THIS DAY.

THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.
AYES, 30; NOES, 17.

RETURNED TO HOUSE.

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APRIL 20, 1989

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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6 INTERIM COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE CURRENT STATUS OF VOLUNTEER
7 FIRE SERVICES IN MONTANA; AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE
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21 knowledgeable volunteers; and

22 WHEREAS, the Montana State Volunteer Firefighters
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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the interim committee
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