

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

INTRODUCED BY BENGTON, THAYER, PINSONEAULT, HALLIGAN,
WEEDING, BECK, GALT, DEVLIN, JERGSON, MANNING, BOYLAN,
WILLIAMS, ABRAMS, BLAYLOCK, CRIPPEN, SIMON, LEE, PECK,
SPAETH, EUDAILY, BARDANOUE, REHBERG, BOHARSKI, HAGER

IN THE SENATE

MARCH 28, 1989

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.

FIRST READING.

APRIL 3, 1989

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL
DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.

APRIL 4, 1989

PRINTING REPORT.

SECOND READING, DO PASS.

APRIL 5, 1989

ENGROSSING REPORT.

APRIL 6, 1989

THIRD READING, PASSED.
AYES, 46; NOES, 0.

TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 7, 1989

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.

FIRST READING.

APRIL 14, 1989

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE
CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT
ADOPTED.

APRIL 15, 1989

SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

APRIL 17, 1989

THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.
AYES, 83; NOES, 15.

RETURNED TO SENATE WITH AMENDMENTS.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 18, 1989

RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

APRIL 19, 1989

THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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2 INTRODUCED BY *Senator Joseph P. L. [Signature]* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. *200*
3 *Legislation 1799/01*
4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN
6 INTERIM STUDY OF CERTAIN STATE LOAN PROGRAMS TO REVIEW THE
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9 EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAMS, AND TO DETERMINE IF CERTAIN
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11 CONSOLIDATED; AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE
12 STUDY TO THE 52ND LEGISLATURE.

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17 of the state; and

18 WHEREAS, administration of these programs is divided
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20 or results of the programs; and

21 WHEREAS, wise commitment of Montana's limited financial
22 resources to programs that are effective in generating
23 economic activity depends on the Legislature's access to
24 reliable information on the operation and performance of
25 activities that lend state funds to private entities; and

1 WHEREAS, a coordinated review of these state lending
2 programs is needed.

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4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
5 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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10 rural development program, both administered by the
11 Department of Agriculture;

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13 rangeland improvement loan program, both administered by the
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INTRODUCED BY *Benjamin H. Haggerty* *Insurance*
Legislative Board
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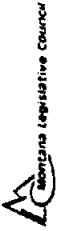
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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 14, 1989

Page 1 of 1

Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on State Administration report that Senate Joint Resolution 20 (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended .

Signed: Jan Brown
Jan Brown, Chairman

[REP. SIMON WILL CARRY THIS BILL ON THE HOUSE FLOOR]

And, that such amendments read:

1. Page 3, lines 16, 19, and 23.

Strike: "interim committee"

Insert: "Legislative Audit Committee"

HOUSE

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

INTRODUCED BY HALLIGAN, B. BROWN, MAZUREK, ECK,
WALKER, SEVERSON, NORMAN, GAGE, BISHOP, HAGER,
CRIPPEN, HARP, VINCENT

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 5, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & INDUSTRY.
	FIRST READING.
APRIL 12, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 13, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
APRIL 14, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT.
APRIL 15, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 45; NOES, 0.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 15, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
APRIL 17, 1989	FIRST READING.
APRIL 18, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 19, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
APRIL 20, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 83; NOES, 10.
	RETURNED TO SENATE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 21, 1989

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SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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 2 INTRODUCED BY *Rob Brown, Speaker*
 3 *Edallen, Secretary; Norman, Chief Clerk*
 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN
 6 INTERIM STUDY OF THE EFFECTS OF BUSINESS TAX INCENTIVES IN
 7 MONTANA ON PROMOTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVERSITY, AND
 8 STABILITY; AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE
 9 STUDY TO THE 52ND LEGISLATURE.

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 11 WHEREAS, national reports of Montana's poor business
 12 climate have encouraged the perception that Montana's tax
 13 structure, among other things, impedes economic development
 14 in the state; and

15 WHEREAS, in prior legislative sessions, the Montana
 16 Legislature has enacted certain tax incentive measures
 17 designed to promote economic development; and

18 WHEREAS, sections 15-6-135 and 15-24-1402, MCA, provide
 19 incentives for economic development in the form of lower
 20 property tax rates for new and expanding industries; and

21 WHEREAS, section 15-6-135, MCA, provides lower property
 22 tax rates for research and development firms, and section
 23 15-31-103, MCA, exempts research and development firms from
 24 income taxation during the first 5 years of operation; and

25 WHEREAS, sections 15-31-124 through 15-31-127, MCA,

1 provide additional incentives for economic development in
 2 the form of tax credits for new or expanding industries that
 3 offer increased job opportunities in Montana; and

4 WHEREAS, section 15-33-106, MCA, exempts from
 5 individual and corporation license taxation any capital
 6 gains or dividend income realized from an investment in a
 7 small business investment company; and

8 WHEREAS, section 90-8-202, MCA, allows a corporation an
 9 income tax credit for investing in certified Montana capital
 10 companies in order to encourage the formation of venture
 11 capital in the state; and

12 WHEREAS, numerous credits, exemptions, and tax rate
 13 reductions have been implemented in an attempt to revitalize
 14 Montana's extractive industries; and

15 WHEREAS, carefully designed and targeted tax incentives
 16 may be significant considerations in business location and
 17 expansion decisions when used in conjunction with other
 18 elements of sound economic development strategies; and

19 WHEREAS, Montana's business tax incentives must be
 20 objectively evaluated to assess their importance in
 21 decisions to create new businesses and new jobs and in
 22 attracting businesses to Montana and encouraging existing
 23 businesses to expand.

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 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE



-2- INTRODUCED BILL
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OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

(1) That the Revenue Oversight Committee study the effectiveness of business tax incentives in promoting economic development in Montana.

(2) That the committee in its study:

(a) evaluate the criteria and methods used, especially as they relate to taxes, by private organizations that rate the business climate of the states to determine whether they present an accurate portrayal of Montana's business climate;

(b) provide a comprehensive summary of the various business tax incentives in Montana, including tax credits and exemptions, special property tax treatment, and tax rate reductions;

(c) determine the economic sectors or industries where tax incentives have been targeted;

(d) analyze whether tax incentives:

(i) are generally an effective tool in promoting economic development and stability in the state;

(ii) have had any effect on economic growth; or

(iii) are a drain on state revenue, in the form of tax subsidies, without accomplishing their intended objectives;

(e) evaluate tax incentives used in other states, especially those states with similar socioeconomic and demographic characteristics as Montana, in attracting new businesses and encouraging existing businesses to expand;

(f) examine whether general tax reform or selectively targeted tax incentives are the most effective means of promoting economic development; and

(g) discuss any other relevant factors that influence economic development.

(3) That the committee report the findings of the study and provide options for consideration to the 52nd Legislature.

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APPROVED BY COMM. ON
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Rep. Dan Claitor
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10 (b) provide a comprehensive summary of the various
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12 and exemptions, special property tax treatment, and tax rate
13 reductions;

14 (c) determine the economic sectors or industries where
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19 (ii) have had any effect on economic growth; or

20 (iii) are a drain on state revenue, in the form of tax
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24 demographic characteristics as Montana, in attracting new
25 businesses and encouraging existing businesses to expand;

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5 economic development.
6 (3) That the committee report the findings of the
7 study and provide options for consideration to the 52nd
8 Legislature.

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1 *Sen. Hagen* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Sen. Hagen* *Rep. Brown* *Sen. Hagen* *Rep. Brown*
 3 *Hagen, Sen. Hagen; Norman, Rep. Brown*
 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN
 6 INTERIM STUDY OF THE EFFECTS OF BUSINESS TAX INCENTIVES IN
 7 MONTANA ON PROMOTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVERSITY, AND
 8 STABILITY; AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE
 9 STUDY TO THE 52ND LEGISLATURE.

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 11 WHEREAS, national reports of Montana's poor business
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 13 structure, among other things, impedes economic development
 14 in the state; and

15 WHEREAS, in prior legislative sessions, the Montana
 16 Legislature has enacted certain tax incentive measures
 17 designed to promote economic development; and

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 20 property tax rates for new and expanding industries; and

21 WHEREAS, section 15-6-135, MCA, provides lower property
 22 tax rates for research and development firms, and section
 23 15-31-103, MCA, exempts research and development firms from
 24 income taxation during the first 5 years of operation; and

25 WHEREAS, sections 15-31-124 through 15-31-127, MCA,

1 provide additional incentives for economic development in
 2 the form of tax credits for new or expanding industries that
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 5 individual and corporation license taxation any capital
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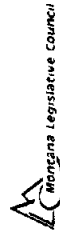
8 WHEREAS, section 90-8-202, MCA, allows a corporation an
 9 income tax credit for investing in certified Montana capital
 10 companies in order to encourage the formation of venture
 11 capital in the state; and

12 WHEREAS, numerous credits, exemptions, and tax rate
 13 reductions have been implemented in an attempt to revitalize
 14 Montana's extractive industries; and

15 WHEREAS, carefully designed and targeted tax incentives
 16 may be significant considerations in business location and
 17 expansion decisions when used in conjunction with other
 18 elements of sound economic development strategies; and

19 WHEREAS, Montana's business tax incentives must be
 20 objectively evaluated to assess their importance in
 21 decisions to create new businesses and new jobs and in
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INTRODUCED BY HALLIGAN, B. BROWN, MAZUREK, ECK,
WALKER, SEVERSON, NORMAN, GAGE, BISHOP, HAGER,
CRIPPEN, HARP, VINCENT

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22

INTRODUCED BY HARP, YELLOWTAIL, WEEDING, BECK,
GILBERT, DRISCOLL, HARPER, IVERSON

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 13, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK & IRRIGATION.
	FIRST READING.
APRIL 17, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 18, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
	ENGROSSING REPORT.
APRIL 19, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 45; NOES, 4.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 19, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES.
APRIL 20, 1989	FIRST READING.
	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW BILL PLACED ON SECOND READING THIS DAY.
	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THIS DAY.
APRIL 21, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 84; NOES, 13.

RETURNED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 21, 1989

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22
INTRODUCED BY *that Yellowstone*
Gallatin *Academy of Science*
A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA DIRECTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL TO STUDY THE PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF GROUND WATER QUALITY; AND DIRECTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL TO REPORT ITS FINDINGS OF THE STUDY TO THE 52ND LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, Montanans are increasingly dependent on ground water for domestic, agricultural, and industrial uses; and

WHEREAS, Montanans have expressed a strong interest in protecting the quality of their ground water; and

WHEREAS, the 51st Montana Legislature is considering major new ground water quality initiatives to:

(1) establish an agricultural chemical ground water protection program;

(2) require ground water monitoring at landfills;

(3) establish licensing, permitting, and fee requirements for underground storage tanks and to create a multimillion dollar fund to clean up tank leaks;

(4) more closely regulate the use of cyanide by small miners; and

(5) otherwise respond to continuing challenges to the

effective management of ground water resources; and

WHEREAS, these initiatives are anticipated to result in improvements to Montana's environment and in new responsibilities for citizens and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, there are a number of other state and federal programs affecting ground water quality in Montana; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the Montana Legislature to review these various programs to determine the best means to meet the needs of the State of Montana and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

That the Environmental Quality Council be assigned to study:

(1) existing programs in Montana and other states for protecting ground water quality;

(2) the implementation of new legislative initiatives on ground water management enacted by the 51st Montana Legislature;

(3) federal requirements that affect ground water quality programs in Montana; and

(4) other necessary responses to ground water protection and management challenges identified by the Environmental Quality Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Environmental Quality

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4 programs, and, if appropriate, present options for
5 legislative consideration to implement these
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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

INTRODUCED BY HALLIGAN

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 14, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
	FIRST READING.
APRIL 17, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 18, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
	ENGROSSING REPORT.
APRIL 19, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 46; NOES, 4.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 19, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.
APRIL 20, 1989	FIRST READING.
	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW BILL PLACED ON SECOND READING THIS DAY
	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.
	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THIS DAY
	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 90; NOES, 3.

RETURNED TO SENATE WITH AMENDMENTS.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 21, 1989

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

Angela Halligan
 INTRODUCED BY Halligan

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN
 3 INTERIM STUDY ON THE PROVISION OF ADULT AND YOUTH DETENTION
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee report its
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 INTRODUCED BILL
 SJR 23

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
ON JUDICIARY

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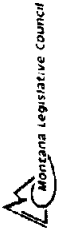
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-2- SECOND READING

SJR 23



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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT
Senate Joint Resolution 23
Representative Tom Hannah

April 20, 1989 2:59 pm
Page 1 of 1

Mr. Chairman: I move to amend Senate Joint Resolution 23 (third reading copy -- blue).

Signed: *Tom Hannah*
Representative Tom Hannah

And, that such amendments to Senate Joint Resolution 23 read as follows:

1. Page 1, lines 13 through 15.
Strike: lines 13 through 15 in their entirety.

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ADOPT

REJECT

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT
Senate Joint Resolution 23
Representative Tom Hannah

April 20, 1989 3:02 pm
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Mr. Chairman: I move to amend Senate Joint Resolution 23 (third reading copy -- blue).

Signed: *Tom Hannah*
Representative Tom Hannah

And, that such amendments to Senate Joint Resolution 23 read as follows:

1. Page 1, lines 16 through 18.
Strike: lines 16 through 18 in their entirety.

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REJECT

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24

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IN THE SENATE

APRIL 14, 1989	ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW INTRODUCTION OF SJR 24.
APRIL 17, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES. FIRST READING.
APRIL 18, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 19, 1989	PRINTING REPORT. SECOND READING, DO PASS. ENGROSSING REPORT. ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED AND BILL PLACED ON THIRD READING THIS DAY.
APRIL 19, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 49; NOES, 0. TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 19, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES.
APRIL 20, 1989	FIRST READING. COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED. ON MOTION, RULES SUSPENDED TO ALLOW BILL PLACED ON SECOND READING THIS DAY

APRIL 21, 1989

SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.
AYES, 93; NOES, 6.

RETURNED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

APRIL 21, 1989

RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

1 INTRODUCED BY *Sen. Frank (H. HARR) Langer, Kelly*

2 *Summary of testimony from*
 3 *Dan Kados of the Senate and the House of*
 4 *Representatives of the State of Montana recognizing the*
 5 *diminishing supply of raw logs available for wood processing*
 6 *plants; supporting a ban on the export of raw logs from the*
 7 *United States; and requesting the State of Idaho to*
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 9 *certain raw logs for processing within that state.*

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 12 Act of 1989, which reserves for Idaho wood processing plants
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1 States because that restriction will cause economic hardship
2 for neighboring states.

3 (2) That the Legislature and the Governor of the State
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 3 *Senators: Peterson, Fawcett, Ray, Smith*
 4 *Dynw. Kodas, Peterson, Fawcett, Ray, Smith*
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