# HOUSE BILL 29

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House BILL NO. 29 1 INTRODUCED BY 2 3 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SUBMITTING TO THE 5 OUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT TO 4 PERCENT THE RATE 6 7 OF A GENERAL STATEWIDE SALES TAX OR USE TAX AND TO LIMIT TO 8 1 PERCENT THE RATE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALES TAXES OR USE 9 TAXES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE." 10

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 11

12 Section 1. Article VIII of The Constitution of the State of Montana is amended by adding a new section 15 that 13 14 reads:

15 Section 15. Limitation on sales tax or use tax rates. 16 The rate of a general statewide sales tax or use tax may not 17 exceed 4%. The rate of a general sales tax or use tax imposed by a county, city, town, or other local governmental 18 19 entity may not exceed 1%.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. If approved by 20 the electorate, this amendment is effective January 1, 1993. 21 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Submission to electorate. The 22 amendment set forth in section 1 shall be submitted to the 23 qualified electors of Montana at the general election to be 24 25 held in November 1992 by printing on the ballot the full



1 title of this act and the following: 2 FOR limiting the rate of a state sales or use tax to 3 4% and limiting local government sales or use taxes Δ to 1%. S AGAINST limiting the rate of a state sales or use 6 tax to 4% and limiting local government sales or use 7 taxes to 1%.

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## STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

#### Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0029, as introduced.

# DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act submitting to the qualified electors of Montana an amendment to Article VIII of the Montana Constitution to limit to 4 percent the rate of a general statewide sales tax or use tax and to limit to 1 percent the rate of local government sales taxes or use taxes; and providing an effective date.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Text of ballot arguments will be printed in the Voter Information Pamphlet pursuant to 13-27-401 and 13-27-410, MCA.
- 2. Full text of the measure will be printed in newspapers of general circulation pursuant to 13-27-311, MCA.
- 3. Ballot issues already placed on the ballot by the 52nd Legislature and by initiative petition will fully expend existing budget authority in this area.
- 4. County election administrators will mail the Voter Information Pamphlet pursuant to 13-27-410, MCA.
- 5. Rates for printing and publication will remain constant from those used in the primary election of 1992.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Expenditures:</u>	(General Fund)	FY93
Publication	2 C	\$5,512
Printing		10,000
Total		15.512

# EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

The proposal will result in additional mailing costs of \$40,400 in fiscal year 1993.

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