HOUSE BILL NO. 344

INTRODUCED BY D. BROWN, GILBERT, GROSFIELD, SCHYE, ANDERSON, WANZENRIED

	IN THE HOUSE
JANUARY 25, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 12, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 13, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 15, 1993	ENGROSSING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 16, 1993	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 98; NOES, 1.
FEBRUARY 17, 1993	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
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FEBRUARY 20, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 24, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 26, 1993	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 27, 1993	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 48; NOES, 0.
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE LAWS RELATING TO AIRPORTS: REDEFINING "GOVERNING BODY": ALLOWING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO DESIGNATE AN AIRPORT INFLUENCE AREA AT ANY TIME: ALLOWING AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO ADOPT RULES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY: ALLOWING AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO CREATE A RESERVE FUND: AND AMENDING SECTIONS 67-1-101, 67-4-201, 67-4-202, 67-4-313, 67-5-211, 67-11-232, AND 67-11-304, MCA."

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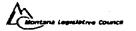
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- (1) "Aeronautics" means transportation by aircraft; the operation, construction, repair, or maintenance of aircraft, aircraft power plants and accessories, including the repair, packing, and maintenance of parachutes; the design, establishment, construction, extension, operation, improvement, repair, or maintenance of airports, restricted landing areas, or other air navigation facilities; and air instruction.
- (2) "Aeronautics instructor" means an individual engaged in giving instruction or offering to give instruction in aeronautics, either in flying or ground subjects, or both, for hire or reward, without advertising that occupation, without calling his the facilities an "air school" or anything equivalent to an "air school", and without employing or using other instructors. It does not include an instructor in a public school or university of this state or an institution of higher learning accredited and approved for carrying on collegiate work while engaged in his duties as an instructor.
- (3) "Air carrier" means a person or corporation owning, controlling, operating, or managing aircraft as a scheduled common carrier of passengers or freight for compensation

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 navigation of or flight in the air.
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- 10 (7) "Air navigation" means the operation or navigation
 11 of aircraft in the air space over this state or upon an
 12 airport or restricted landing area within this state.
- 13 (8) "Air navigation facility" means a facility used in, 14 available for use in, or designed for use in aid of air 15 navigation, including airports, restricted landing areas, 16 and structures, mechanisms, lights. beacons. marks. 17 communicating systems, or other instrumentalities or devices 18 used or useful as an aid or constituting an advantage or 19 convenience to the safe taking off, navigation, and landing 20 of aircraft or the safe and efficient operation or 21 maintenance of an airport or restricted area and any combination of these facilities. 22
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 8 and restricted landing areas and the safe and efficient
 9 operation thereof of airports or restricted landing areas.
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- 8 (19) "Civil aircraft" means an aircraft other than a9 public aircraft.
- 10 (20) "Commercial air operator" means any person owning,
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 12 commercial purpose for compensation.

- (21) "Department" means the department of transportation provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part 25.
- (22) "Established perimeter of an airport or landing field", for the purposes of computing all distances and elevations as contemplated by chapter 5, shall—be is the metes and bounds and elevations along the respective sides thereof of the airport or landing field as determined by the United States government, the state of Montana, the—several counties a county, the—several—municipalities a municipality, or any other public authority owning, leasing, controlling, operating, or maintaining such the airport or landing field,—the. The determination and definition to must

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 - (23) "Flying club" means a person other than an individual which that, neither for profit nor reward, owns, leases, or uses one or more aircraft for the purpose of instruction or pleasure, or both.
 - (24) "Governing body" means bodies—and—boards—by whatever—names—they—are—known—having—charge—of—finances—and management—of—a—municipality a city commission, town council, or county commission and the boards, departments, and divisions of those entities, by whatever name they are known, that have charge of finances and management of a municipality or a county.
 - (25) "Height of buildings and structures" means, for the purposes of chapter 5, the vertical distance measured from the ground or surface level of the airport or landing field on the side adjacent to the said building or structure to the level of the highest point of the building or structure.
- 21 (26) "Municipal airport authority" or "municipal 22 authority" means a municipal airport authority created under 23 67-11-102.
- 24 (27) "Municipality" or "political subdivision" means a
 25 county, city, village, or town of this state and any other

be evidenced by a plat showing the metes, and bounds, and

- political subdivision, public corporation, authority, or district in this state authorized by law to acquire, sestablish, construct, maintain, improve, and operate airports and other air navigation facilities.
- 5 (28) "Navigable air space" means air space above the 6 minimum altitudes of flight prescribed by the laws of this 7 state or by regulations of the department.

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- (29) "Operation of aircraft" or "operate aircraft" means the use of aircraft for the purpose of air navigation and includes the navigation or piloting of aircraft. A person who causes or authorizes the operation of aircraft, whether with or without the right of legal control (in the capacity of owner, lessee, or otherwise) of the aircraft, operates the aircraft.
- (30) "Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, corporation (private, municipal, or public), company, association, joint-stock association, or body politic and includes a trustee, receiver, assignee, or other similar representative.
- (31) "Public aircraft" means an aircraft used exclusively in the service of any government or of a political subdivision of a government, including the government of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia but not including a government-owned aircraft engaged in carrying persons or

- 1 property for commercial purposes.
- 2 (32) "Real property" means lands, structures, buildings,
 - and interests in land, including lands under water and
- 4 riparian rights, and all things and rights usually included
- 5 within the term real property, including not only fee simple
- 6 absolute but also all lesser interests, such as easements,
- rights-of-way, uses, leases, licenses, and all other
- 8 incorporeal hereditaments and every estate, interest, or
- 9 right, legal or equitable, pertaining to real property.
- 10 (33) "Regional airport authority" or "regional
- 11 authority" means a regional airport authority created under
- 12 67-11-103.
- 13 (34) "Restricted landing area" means an area of land, or
- 14 water, or both, which that is used or is made available for
- 15 the landing and takeoff of aircraft, the use of which shall
- 16 must, except in case of emergency, be only as provided by
- 17 the department.
- 18 (35) "State airway" means a route in the navigable air
- 19 space over and above the lands or waters of this state,
- 20 designated by the department as a route suitable for air
- 21 navigation.
- 22 (36) "Structure" means any object constructed o
- 23 installed by man a person, including, but without
- 24 limitation, not limited to buildings, towers, smokestacks,
- 25 and overhead transmission lines.

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- 1 (37) "Tree" means any object of natural growth."
- 2 Section 2. Section 67-4-201, MCA, is amended to read:
- 3 "67-4-201. Designation of airport influence areas. (1)
- 4 A local government with an airport shall designate an
- 5 airport influence area around the airport within-3-years
 - from-July-17-1977. The designation shall must be based on
- 7 federal aviation administration rules and guidelines.
- 8 However, no an airport influence area may not extend more
- 9 than 10,000 feet out from the thresholds of the primary
- 10 instrument approach runway or exceed 1 mile in width on each
- ll side of the primary instrument approach runway and its
- 12 extended centerline. A public hearing shall must be held by
- 13 the local government following the procedure prescribed in
- 14 67-4-302.

- 15 (2) A map of the designation shall must be filed with
- 16 the county clerk and recorders of the affected counties and
- 17 the city clerks of the affected cities and towns."
- 18 Section 3. Section 67-4-202, MCA, is amended to read:
- 19 "67-4-202. Temporary effect of designation. Upon the
- 20 designation of an airport influence area, the use of land
- 21 within the airport influence area shall be restricted as to
- 22 height consistent with part 77, federal aeronautics
- 23 regulations, until rules are adopted pursuant to this
- 24 chapter. This restriction does not affect nonconforming uses
- 25 and areas already 20ned on July 1, 1977, and may not be

- 1 imposed for a period of more than 1 year. After the
- 2 designation of an airport influence area, no a person may
- 3 not recover from a local government, an airport authority,
- 4 an airport operator, or an airport owner damages caused by
- 5 noise and vibrations from normal and anticipated normal
- 6 airport operations."
- 7 Section 4. Section 67-4-313, MCA, is amended to read:
- 8 *67-4-313. Variance. (1) Any person desiring to erect
- 9 or increase the height of a structure, permit the growth of
- 10 a tree, or use his property in violation of the rules
- 11 adopted pursuant to this chapter may apply to the board of
- 12 airport hazard adjustment for a variance from the rules.
- 13 (2) A variance shall must be granted where a literal
- 14 application or enforcement of the rules would result in
- 15 substantial practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship and
- 16 where the variance would not be contrary to the public
- 17 interest.
- 18 (3) A variance shall must be granted for a
- 19 nonconforming use where there is no immediate hazard to safe
- 20 flying operations or persons and property in the vicinity of
- 21 the airport and where the noise or vibrations from normal
- 22 and anticipated normal operations of the airport would not
- 23 be likely to cause structural damage.
- 24 (4) Within an airport influence area a person who
- 25 Obtains a variance for building a structure which is a

nonconforming use under rules adopted pursuant to this chapter or a person who takes or buys property subject to 2 3 such a variance is on notice that the airport existed before the variance was granted and that normal and anticipated normal operations of the airport will result in noise and 6 vibrations being projected over the property. Purthermore,-a 7 A person using a structure built under a variance may not collect damages from a local government, an airport authority, an airport operator, or an airport owner for 10 interference with the enjoyment of that structure caused by 11 noise and vibrations from normal and anticipated normal airport operations." 12

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Section 5. Section 67-5-211, MCA, is amended to read:

"67-5-211. Enforcement. It--shall--be--the--duty---and authority--ef--every A public body or governmental authority owning, operating, or maintaining a public airport or landing field or that creates a municipal or regional airport authority for that purpose to shall enforce the provisions of this chapter as it pertains to areas surrounding the particular airport under the control of such the body or authority. the-same-to This chapter must be enforced in either the a court of law or of equity in the state of Montana having jurisdiction of such the action. Cases are--to must be instituted in the name of the governmental body charged hereunder with the enforcement

hereof of this chapter. Such An action may be brought to
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Section 6. Section 67-11-232, MCA, is amended to read:

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Section 7. Section 67-11-304, MCA, is amended to read:

"67-11-304. Bebt---service Reserve fund. An airport authority may create a debt--service--fund--and--accumulate therein-the-sum-of-95-million-together-with-interest-thereon reserve fund for the use, repairs, maintenance, and capital outlays of an airport."

NEW SECTION. Section 8. Code commissioner instruction. Wherever the term "airman" appears in Title 67 or elsewhere within the Montana Code Annotated or in legislation enacted by the 1993 legislature and the term means an "airman" as defined in 67-1-101, the code commissioner shall change the term to "aircrew" and make grammatical changes necessary to

reflect the change.

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prevent the erection, construction, or maintenance of such

buildings or other structures or parts of buildings or

structures as may exceed the height limits fixed by this law

or to restrain, correct, or abate any such violation and to

prevent the occupancy and use of any part of a building or

structure erected in violation of this law."

Section 6. Section 67-11-232, MCA, is amended to read:

*67-11-232. Airport property -- disposal. Except as may be limited by the terms and conditions of any grant, loan, or agreement authorised by 67-11-305, an authority may, by sale, lease, or otherwise, dispose of any airport, air navigation facility, or other property or portion thereof of or interest therein in an airport or facility acquired pursuant to this chapter. Such The disposal by sale, lease, or otherwise shall must be in accordance with the adopted rules of the authority or the-laws-of-this-state--governing, WHICH RULES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, FOR the disposition--of--other--public disposal of county property, except that in the case of disposal to another authority, a municipality, or an agency of the state or federal government for use and operation as a public airport, the sale, lease, or other disposal may be effected in such a manner and upon such terms as the commissioners of

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- the authority may-deem consider to be in the best interest of civil aviation."
- 3 Section 7. Section 67-11-304, MCA, is amended to read:
- "67-11-304. Bebt---service Reserve fund. An airport
- 5 authority may create a debt--service--fund--and--accumulate
- $\begin{tabular}{ll} \bf 6 & therein\hbox{-}the-sum-of-$5-million-together-with-interest-thereon \\ \end{tabular}$
- 7 reserve fund for the use, repairs, maintenance, and capital
- 8 outlays of an airport."
- 9 MEN SECTION. Section 8. Code commissioner instruction.
- 10 Wherever the term "airman" appears in Title 67 or elsewhere
- 11 within the Montana Code Annotated or in legislation enacted
- 12 by the 1993 legislature and the term means an "airman" as
- 13 defined in 67-1-101, the code commissioner shall change the
- 14 term to "aircrew" and make grammatical changes necessary to
- 15 reflect the change.

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