SENATE BILL 380

Introduced by Devlin

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2/12	Referred to State Administration
2/12	First Reading
2/18	Hearing
2/19	Committee ReportBill Not Passed as Amended
2/19	Adverse Committee Report Adopted
2/20	Motion Failed to Reconsider Adoption

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING ELECTED STATE PUBLIC OPPICERS FROM RUNNING FOR ELECTION IN A GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION OR FROM BEING APPOINTED TO A DIFFERENT ELECTED STATE PUBLIC OFFICE; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION FOR PERSONS COMPLETING THE LAST FULL YEAR OF A TERM OF PUBLIC OFFICE AND FOR JUDICIAL OFFICERS; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-16-102, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 2-16-102, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-16-102. Qualifications generally -- age and citizenship -- candidates prohibited from other public office. (1) Provisions respecting disqualifications for particular offices are contained in the constitution and in the provisions of the codes concerning the various offices.

- (2) No A person is not eligible to hold civil office in this state who at the time of his election or appointment is not of-the-age-of 18 years of age or older and a citizen of this state.
- (3) (a) Except as provided in subsections (3)(b) and (3)(c), a person who holds a public office, as defined in 13-1-101, may not run for election in a general or special

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- election or be appointed to a different public office.
- 2 (b) A person who holds a public office may run for
- 3 election in a general or special election to a different
- 4 public office if the person is completing the last full year
- of the term of the public office currently held by the
- 6 person.
- 7 (c) Subsections (3)(a) and (3)(b) do not apply to a
- 8 judicial officer to the extent that Article VII, section 10,
- 9 of the Montana constitution authorizes that officer to be a
- 10 candidate for another judicial office.
- 11 (4) Nothing in this section prohibits a person holding
- 12 a public office from running for election to the same
- 13 office."

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