

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

House BILL NO. 566

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II, SECTION 28, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA TO PROVIDE THAT LAWS FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME ARE FOUNDED ON PUNISHMENT OF THE CONVICTED AND RESTITUTION FOR THE VICTIM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

Section 1. Article II, section 28, of The Constitution of the State of Montana is amended to read:

"Section 28. Rights of the convicted. Laws for the punishment of crime shall be founded on the principles of ~~prevention and reformation~~ punishment of the convicted and restitution for the victim by the convicted. Full rights are restored by termination of state supervision for any offense against the state."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** This act is effective on approval by the electorate.

NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Submission to electorate.** This amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of Montana at the general election to be held in November 1996 by printing on the ballot the full title of this act and the following:

- FOR basing laws for the punishment of crime on principles of punishment of the convicted and restitution for the victim.
- AGAINST basing laws for the punishment of crime on principles of punishment of the convicted and restitution for the victim.

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