

House JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

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A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ENCOURAGING COLLABORATION AMONG PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND LOCAL HUMAN SERVICE AGENCIES IN THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

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WHEREAS, numerous local human service agencies, including public schools, senior citizens centers, organizations providing services to the developmentally disabled, and transit authorities, have historically maintained transportation systems in order to provide services to their constituents; and

WHEREAS, tax-supported resources are limited; and

WHEREAS, tax-supported service agencies are finding it increasingly difficult to maintain historic levels of services; and

WHEREAS, given adequate planning and coordinating, transportation resources could be shared by human service agencies without compromising service.

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