

1 *Estada* SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. ²⁵ *Castlett* *Moran*

2 INTRODUCED BY *Harding* *Bob Brown* *Foster* *Dally* *Weldon*

3 *Cole* *Fonstad* *Bob Stepienich* *Glenn Nelson* *Brault*

4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF

5 MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF MONTANA CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS, INCLUDING

6 INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 118, REQUIREMENTS FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING, AND THE

7 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS. *Barnett* *Leitung*

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9 WHEREAS, on November 8, 1994, Montana voters adopted Initiative Measure No. 118 to revise
10 the laws affecting political campaign contributions; and

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12 to surplus campaign funds; and

13 WHEREAS, the 54th Legislature has considered a variety of issues with respect to political
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15 WHEREAS, a number of questions about the administration and enforcement of political campaign
16 contribution laws and regulations remain unresolved and continue to demand legislative attention.

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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 STATE OF MONTANA:

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25 (2) the campaign finance reporting requirements;

26 (3) the practical requirements and limitations regarding the disposition of surplus campaign funds;

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30 (5) the ability of the office of the Commissioner of Political Practices to adequately and effectively

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2 (6) other matters related to campaign finance that the committee considers to be relevant and
3 significant.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee report its findings, conclusions, recommendations,
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4 BROOKE, BAER, STANG, GAGE, BECK, GROSFIELD, HARP, CRISMORE, JENKINS, EMERSON,
5 BURNETT, KEATING, MOHL
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