

House BILL NO. *568*

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(b) the director of the Montana historical society, established in 22-3-101;

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(d) the director of travel Montana.

(3) The commission is responsible for coordinating and promoting observance of Montana's bicentennial commemoration of the Lewis and Clark expedition. The commission may:

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