

HOUSE BILL NO. 482

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING DESIGNATED STATE AGENCIES TO SUBMIT

5 REPORTS TO THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING ON INFORMATION RELATED TO

6 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO TRIBAL ENTITIES; REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND

7 PROGRAM PLANNING TO COMPILE A REPORT ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY DESIGNATED

8 STATE AGENCIES DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO TRIBAL ENTITIES AND SUBMIT THE REPORT IN AN

9 ELECTRONIC FORMAT TO THE STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE OFFICE OF STATE

10 DIRECTOR OF INDIAN AFFAIRS; REQUIRING THE REPORT COMPILED BY THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND

11 PROGRAM PLANNING TO BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE OF THE OFFICE OF STATE DIRECTOR OF

12 INDIAN AFFAIRS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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16 NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Definitions.** (1) As used in [sections 1 and 2]:

- 17 (1) (a) "Designated state agency" means:
- 18 (i) the department of administration;
- 19 (ii) the department of agriculture;
- 20 (iii) the arts council;
- 21 (iv) the office of the state auditor;
- 22 (v) the board of regents;
- 23 (vi) the department of commerce;
- 24 (vii) the department of corrections;
- 25 (viii) the department of environmental quality;
- 26 (ix) the department of fish, wildlife, and parks;
- 27 (x) the governor's office;
- 28 (xi) the department of labor and industry;
- 29 (xii) the department of livestock;
- 30 (xiii) the department of military affairs;

- 1 (xiv) the Montana board of crime control;  
2 (xv) the department of natural resources and conservation;  
3 (xvi) the commissioner of political practices;  
4 (xvii) the office of the state public defender;  
5 (xviii) the board of public education;  
6 (xix) the department of public health and human services;  
7 (xx) the office of public instruction;  
8 (xxi) the public service commission;  
9 (xxii) the department of revenue;  
10 (xxiii) the school for the deaf and blind;  
11 (xxiv) the office of the secretary of state;  
12 (xxv) the state fund;  
13 (xxvi) the state library;  
14 (xxvii) the department of transportation;  
15 (xxviii) the office of the commissioner of higher education; or  
16 (xxix) the department of justice.

17 (b) The term does not include the judicial branch, the legislative branch, or an office or other entity within  
18 the judicial branch or the legislative branch.

19 (2) (a) "Financial assistance" means assistance provided directly or indirectly to a tribal entity either as  
20 state funds or as federal funds provided through a state agency to carry out a program. Financial assistance may  
21 be in the form of grants, contracts, cooperative agreements, loans, loan guarantees, property, interest subsidies,  
22 insurance, direct appropriations, or other noncash assistance. Financial assistance includes awards received  
23 directly or indirectly by a tribal entity as state funds or as federal funds passed through a state agency directly  
24 or indirectly from a subrecipient. The granting agency is responsible for identifying the source of funds awarded  
25 to tribal entity recipients.

26 (b) Financial assistance does not include federal, state, or local government cash assistance provided  
27 directly to individuals.

28 (3) "Subrecipient" means a third party who receives state funds or federal funds through a state agency  
29 that the third party ultimately provides to a tribal entity in the form of financial assistance.

30 (4) "Tribal entity" means a tribal nation, tribal council, or tribal government located in the state of

1 Montana.

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3 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Funding for tribal entities -- reporting.** (1) Following the close of each  
4 fiscal year, a designated state agency that has distributed funds to a tribal entity or has received or retained funds  
5 related to a program that indirectly or directly provides financial assistance to a tribal entity shall prepare a report  
6 that identifies all financial assistance distributed by the designated state agency directly or indirectly to a tribal  
7 entity in the previous fiscal year.

8 (2) The report must provide the following information:

9 (a) the amount distributed directly to a tribal entity;

10 (b) the amount distributed to a subrecipient that was ultimately distributed to a tribal entity;

11 (c) the date the amount was distributed to a tribal entity or subrecipient;

12 (d) the tribal entity receiving the financial assistance;

13 (e) the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance reference number, if applicable;

14 (f) the purpose of the distribution;

15 (g) the amount of any management or administrative costs or fees assessed or charged by the  
16 designated state agency for distributing the financial assistance;

17 (h) for funds distributed pursuant to a program administered by a designated state agency, the program  
18 through which the funds were distributed; and

19 (i) for federal funds, any other amount retained by the agency and for what purpose.

20 (3) A designated state agency that prepares a report in accordance with subsection (1) shall submit the  
21 report to the office of budget and program planning on or before August 1 of each year.

22 (4) The office of budget and program planning shall prepare an annual report that compiles and  
23 summarizes the reports that the office of budget and program planning receives in accordance with subsection  
24 (3).

25 (5) On or before September 1 of each year, the office of budget and program planning shall submit the  
26 report required by subsection (4) to:

27 (a) the state-tribal relations committee;

28 (b) the office of state director of Indian affairs; and

29 (c) each tribal government located on the seven Montanan reservations and to the Little Shell Chippewa  
30 tribe.

