

HOUSE BILL NO. 76

INTRODUCED BY J. ELLIS

BY REQUEST OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME PERIOD DURING WHICH A PERSON IS PROHIBITED FROM ELECTIONEERING FROM ELECTION DAY TO DAYS DURING WHICH VOTING ON THE ELECTION IS TAKING PLACE; AND AMENDING SECTION 13-35-211, MCA."

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

**Section 1.** Section 13-35-211, MCA, is amended to read:

**"13-35-211. Electioneering -- soliciting information from electors.** (1) ~~A~~ During days on which voting in an election is taking place, a person may not do any electioneering ~~on election day~~ within any polling place or any building in which ~~an election is being held~~ voting in the election is taking place or within 100 feet of any entrance to the building in which ~~the polling place is located, which~~ voting in the election is taking place that aids or promotes the success or defeat of any candidate or ballot issue to be voted upon at the election.

(2) A person may not buy, sell, give, wear, or display at or about the polls on an election day any badge, button, or other insignia which is designed or tends to aid or promote the success or defeat of any candidate or ballot issue to be voted upon at the election.

(3) A person within a polling place or any building in which an election is being held may not solicit from an elector, before or after the elector has marked a ballot and returned it to an election judge, information as to whether the elector intends to vote or has voted for or against a candidate or ballot issue."

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