

SENATE BILL NO. 280

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM GRANT REQUIREMENTS; ALLOWING THE MONTANA BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO COMMUNITIES TO MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH COURT-ORDERED REQUIREMENTS FOR OFFENDERS CONVICTED OF OR CHARGED WITH CERTAIN OFFENSES; AND AMENDING SECTION 44-7-201, MCA."

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

**Section 1.** Section 44-7-201, MCA, is amended to read:

**"44-7-201. Domestic violence intervention program.** (1) The Montana board of crime control shall

use the money in the domestic violence intervention account established by 44-7-202 to fund a domestic violence intervention program to provide grants to:

(a) communities for misdemeanor probation officers or compliance officers to monitor compliance with sentencing court-ordered requirements for offenders convicted of or charged with the offense of partner or family member assault under 45-5-206, the offense of strangulation of a partner or family member under 45-5-215, or of a violation of an order of protection under 45-5-626; or

(b) a court to implement an offender intervention program that meets the standards adopted in 44-7-210.

(2) In administering the domestic violence intervention program, the Montana board of crime control shall:

- (a) identify priorities for funding services, activities, and criteria for the receipt of program funds;
- (b) monitor the expenditure of funds by organizations receiving funds under this section;
- (c) evaluate the effectiveness of services and activities under this section; and
- (d) adopt rules necessary to implement 44-7-201 through 44-7-204."

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