

1 SENATE BILL NO. 5

2 INTRODUCED BY E. BUTTREY

3 BY REQUEST OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ELECTRONIC RECORDS FOR A COUNTY  
6 MAY BE STORED AT A LOCATION SEPARATE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK; AND AMENDING  
7 SECTION 7-5-2131, MCA."

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

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11 **Section 1.** Section 7-5-2131, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"7-5-2131. Records to be available to public.** ~~The~~ (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the books,  
13 records, and accounts must be kept at the office of the clerk and must be open for public inspection free of  
14 charge.

15 (2) Electronic records accessible from the office of the clerk may be stored at a separate location."

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