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HOUSE BILL NO. 507  
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF MORE THAN FIVE VEHICLES THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO BE SAFELY OR LEGALLY OPERATED OR NOT ABLE TO BE REPAIRED WITHIN 1 WEEK; AND AMENDING SECTION 75-10-505, MCA."

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

**Section 1.** Section 75-10-505, MCA, is amended to read:

**"75-10-505. Shielding and removal of junk vehicles ~~generally~~ -- vehicles not able to be safely or legally operated.** (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of this part, any person possessing one or more junk vehicles, regardless of ownership, shall shield the vehicles from public view or remove the vehicles to a licensed motor vehicle wrecking facility or to a licensed motor vehicle graveyard after the vehicles are released from the owner. Small accumulations of salvageable vehicles or component parts, none of which are offered for sale, retained by active farming or ranching operations for repair and maintenance of vehicles, or agricultural equipment used in their operations, are exempted from this requirement.

(2) A person may not display within view of a public highway more than five vehicles that cannot be safely or legally operated on a public highway because they are not equipped with properly functioning equipment as required in Title 61, chapter 9. This subsection (2) does not apply to vehicles that will be repaired to be safely and legally operable within 1 week from the time that the vehicles are placed within public view."

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