

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 517

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT
5 INCENTIVE ACT IS INTENDED TO ATTRACT PRIVATE RISK CAPITAL TO TECHNOLOGY ~~AND,~~
6 TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE, AND POWER GENERATION COMPANIES AS WELL AS
7 MANUFACTURING, AGRICULTURE, AND TIMBER PRODUCT PROCESSING COMPANIES; AND AMENDING
8 SECTION 15-33-102, MCA."

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

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12 **Section 1.** Section 15-33-102, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"15-33-102. Purpose.** The purpose of this part is to encourage private sector investment in
14 venture capital firms called small business investment companies, ~~which that~~ are organized for the purpose
15 of diversifying and strengthening employment opportunities of companies within Montana. This part, by
16 establishing limited tax exemptions, demonstrates a recognition by the legislature that significant
17 incentives must be offered to attract private risk capital to manufacturing, technology, technology
18 infrastructure, POWER GENERATION, agricultural, and timber product processing companies ~~when the~~
19 ~~alternative investments for private risk capital are natural resource ventures, which often yield extremely~~
20 ~~high rates of return.~~ The legislature further recognizes the necessity of tax incentives for investors in
21 manufacturing, technology, technology infrastructure, POWER GENERATION, agricultural, and timber product
22 processing companies, ~~given the hardship caused many Montana communities by their reliance on an~~
23 ~~economic base dominated by single, large industries."~~

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