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SENATE BILL NO. 142  
INTRODUCED BY M. SPRAGUE  
BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR THE TRANSFER OF A LIQUOR LICENSE OWNED BY THE UNITED STATES; AND REQUIRING NOTICE BY THE UNITED STATES WHEN IT BECOMES OWNER OF A LIQUOR LICENSE."

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

NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Ownership of liquor license by United States.** (1) Whenever right, title, and interest in a liquor license vests in the United States, the United States shall promptly give notice to the department of its interest and must have the license placed on nonuse status. The United States shall transfer ownership of the license to a qualified applicant within 200 days from the date on which it obtained an interest in the license. Upon receipt of an application to transfer the license, the department may, pursuant to 16-4-404, grant the applicant temporary authority to operate the license.

(2) The department, upon a showing of good cause, may in its discretion extend the time for sale of the license for an additional period of up to 180 days.

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 16, chapter 4, part 4, and the provisions of Title 16, chapter 4, part 4, apply to [section 1].

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