

SENATE BILL NO. 469

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT COORDINATING CERTAIN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY; PROVIDING THAT THE GOVERNOR MAY CONSOLIDATE AND TRANSFER OTHER STATE AGENCY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Coordination of certain workforce development programs --**

requirement for agreement between agencies. (1) The department shall enter into agreements with the department of labor and industry concerning the administration and coordination of the following workforce development programs:

- (a) the employment and training program provided for in 53-2-903;
- (b) the cash assistance employment and training program provided for in Title 53, chapter 4;
- (c) blind and low-vision services provided for in Title 53, chapter 7, part 3; and
- (d) vocational rehabilitation training, including counseling, advocacy, and assistive technology, provided for in Title 53, chapter 7, part 1.

(2) The department shall ensure that agreements entered into under subsection (1) are consistent with the requirements of federal rules and regulations that are applicable to the programs contained in subsections (1)(a) through (1)(d).

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NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Transfer of workforce development programs -- notice to legislature.**

(1) The governor may transfer by executive order to the department of labor and industry any workforce development programs not identified in [section 1] and that are developed and administered by other state agencies unless a program is statutorily required to be administered by another agency. If a program is statutorily required to be administered by another agency, the governor may direct the agency to enter an agreement similar to the agreement provided for in [section 1].

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1 (2) The governor shall inform the ~~59th~~ BUSINESS AND LABOR INTERIM COMMITTEE AND THE 58TH
2 legislature of any program transfers made pursuant to subsection (1).

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4 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
5 integral part of Title 53, chapter 2, part 1, and the provisions of Title 53, chapter 2, part 1, apply to
6 [section 1].

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8 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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