58th Legislature

1	HOUSE BILL NO. 403					
2	INTRODUCED BY KEANE					
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A GENERAL EACH CONTRACTOR,					
5	SUBCONTRACTOR, OR EMPLOYER TO ENSURE THAT AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE CONTRACTOR'S					
6	WORKERS PERFORMING LABOR ON A STATE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ARE BONA FIDE MONTANA					
7	RESIDENTS; AMENDING SECTION 18-2-409, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE					
8	AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."					
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10	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:					
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12	Section 1. Section 18-2-409, MCA, is amended to read:					
13	"18-2-409. Montana residents to be employed on state construction contracts. (1) On any state					
14	construction project funded by state or federal funds, except a project partially funded with federal aid money					
15	from the United States department of transportation or where when residency preference laws are specifically					
16	prohibited by federal law and to which the state is a signatory to the construction contract, a GENERAL EACH					
17	contractor, subcontractor, or employer shall ensure that at least 50% of the work must be performed by					
18	CONTRACTOR'S workers performing labor on the project are bona fide Montana residents, as defined in 18-2-401.					
19	(2) For any contract awarded for a state construction project, except a project partially funded with					
20	federal aid money from the United States department of transportation or where <u>when</u> residency preference laws					
21	are specifically prohibited by federal law, there must be inserted in the bid specification and the contract a					
22	provision, in language approved by the commissioner of labor and industry, implementing the requirements of					
23	subsection (1). The bid specification and the contract must provide that at least 50% of the workers on the					
24	project will be bona fide Montana residents. If there are two or more contracts and due to a lack of qualified					
25	personnel a <u>GENERAL EACH</u> contractor cannot guarantee that at least 50% of his the contractor's CONTRACTOR'S					
26	workers ON THE PROJECT will be Montana residents, his the contract must provide that the percentage that the					
27	commissioner of labor and industry believes possible will be Montana residents and one or more of the other					
28	contracts must provide for a higher percentage of Montana residents so that 50% of the workers on the project					
29	will be Montana residents.					
30	(3) The commissioner of labor and industry shall enforce this section and investigate complaints of its					

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1	violation and	may adopt	rules to im	plement this	section."

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- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 2. Effective date -- applicability. [This act] is effective on passage and
- 4 approval and applies to contracts entered into on or after [the effective date of this act].

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