

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 414

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT RECORDS OF PERSONS WITH
6 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHO ARE COMMITTED TO A RESIDENTIAL FACILITY BE MAINTAINED
7 SEPARATELY."

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

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11 NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Court records to be kept separate -- sealed -- names omitted.** Records
12 and papers in proceedings under this part must be maintained separately by each clerk of court. Five days prior
13 to the release of a respondent or resident committed to a residential facility, the facility shall notify the appropriate
14 clerk of court, and the clerk shall immediately seal the record in the case and omit the name of the respondent
15 or resident from the index or indexes of cases in the court unless the court orders the record opened for good
16 cause shown.

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18 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
19 integral part of Title 53, chapter 20, part 1, and the provisions of Title 53, chapter 20, part 1, apply to [section 1].

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