

If you lose it . . .



. . . Someone will find it!



**VOTE FOR
SECURE LOADS!**

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT A LOAD BE SECURED TO PREVENT LITTERING OR CREATING A DANGEROUS OBSTRUCTION ON A HIGHWAY; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-370, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 61-8-370, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-8-370. Securing of load -- requirement. A person SHALL NOT DRIVE OR MOVE operating a loaded vehicle on a public highway UNLESS THE VEHICLE IS CONSTRUCTED OR LOADED IN A MANNER TO PREVENT ANY OF ITS LOAD FROM ESCAPING FROM THE VEHICLE ~~for the purpose of transporting solid waste as defined in 75-10-203, except:~~

(1) a commercial motor vehicle or

(2) a vehicle transporting unprocessed agricultural products

(3) A VEHICLE PERFORMING ROAD MAINTENANCE

(4) A VEHICLE PERFORMING EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

(5) A VEHICLE TRAVELING TO, FROM, OR IN A MARKED CONSTRUCTION ZONE

~~-, shall attach, cover, or otherwise secure the load sufficiently to prevent littering or creating an obstruction dangerous to the public traveling on the highway."~~

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Who is impacted?

Types of Loads	Current Law	Proposed Change
Commercial	NO*	NO
Agricultural Products	NO*	NO
Livestock	NO**	NO
Timber	NO**	NO
Highway Maintenance	YES	NO
Emergency Vehicles	YES	NO
Construction	YES	NO
Solid Waste	YES	YES
Private	NO	YES

*Commercial/Interstate Loads regulated by Federal Highway Traffic Safety Administration

** Considered Agricultural Products by the MT Dept. of Agriculture