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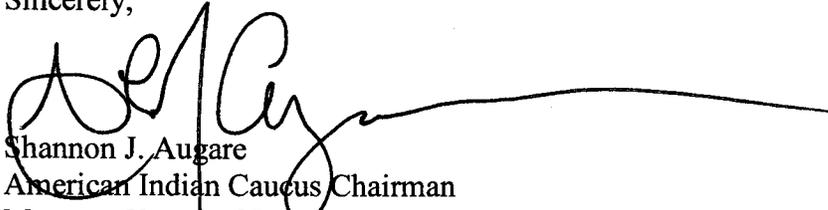
Dear State Administration Committee:

The American Indian Caucus of the 61st Montana Legislature is opposed to House Bill 18.

HB 18 provides a mail ballot pilot program for specific counties in the state of Montana. The American Indian Caucus is concerned of the impacts this bill may have on the Tribes and their members on and off the reservation. This bill may disenfranchise many tribal members in the voting process.

The American Indian Caucus urges the State Administrative Committee to oppose HB 18.

Sincerely,


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