

HOUSE BILL NO. 485

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LANDLORD TENANT LAWS TO PROVIDE THAT JUSTICES' COURTS HAVE CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH THE DISTRICT COURTS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTIES IN ACTIONS PERTAINING TO RESIDENTIAL TENANTS' SECURITY AND RENT DEPOSITS AND ACTIONS BASED ON THE MONTANA RESIDENTIAL MOBILE HOME LOT RENTAL ACT; AMENDING SECTION 3-10-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

**Section 1.** Section 3-10-302, MCA, is amended to read:

**"3-10-302. Jurisdiction over forcible entry, unlawful detainer, RENT DEPOSIT, and residential and residential mobile home landlord-tenant disputes.** The justices' courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the district courts within their respective counties in actions of forcible entry and, unlawful detainer, AND RENT DEPOSITS and in actions brought under Title 70, chapter 24, Title 70, chapter 25, and Title 70, chapter 33."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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