

WARNING : HB 519

A Bad , Freshwater Well Bill

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*****HB 519** – A new water Bill - that places use restrictions on Senior and new Montana Freshwater Wells, – that has not existed before.

*** It reduces by 25% - The acre-feet down to 7.5 acre feet on 20 acre tracts. It brings limiting new water well use sharing with existing well.

*** It separates allotments of water between yard and house - Use Water Meters, or Wells will be monitored by the DNRC .

*****Amend Bill Language:** to protect Senior Wells holders from these new subdivision well regulations & unknown rules.

***There is no estimate of costs, & time delays in processing permits that may be added to senior water users for new wells.

*****Fact:** Montana has 200,000 recorded existing fresh water wells and 300,000,000 acre-feet of ground & surface water.

***Montana's domestic wells have zero impact on this enormous water supply.

***We need protection from this new expanding subdivision law. **“Amend HB 519 ”** Keep the 2 - party Driller/Owner Rights.

*****Again:** Keep Senior Well Owners outside the new subdivision & platting act. **“Amend and guarantee senior well water rights are protected. “**

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