

1 SENATE BILL NO. 235

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT JUDICIAL BRANCH BUDGET PROPOSALS
5 MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITHOUT CHANGES; AND
6 AMENDING SECTION 17-7-122, MCA."

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

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10 **Section 1.** Section 17-7-122, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"17-7-122. Preparation of budget.** (1) The governor shall, following the receipt of the preliminary budget
12 from the budget director, have prepared a budget for the ensuing biennium and shall submit the budget to the
13 legislative fiscal analyst in accordance with 17-7-112.

14 (2) Legislative branch budget proposals must be included in the budget submitted by the governor
15 without changes.

16 (3) Judicial branch budget proposals must be included in the budget submitted by the governor, ~~but~~
17 ~~expenditures above the current base budget need not be part of the balanced financial plan pursuant to 17-7-123~~
18 without changes."

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