

HOUSE BILL NO. 541

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS OF EDUCATION THAT PROVIDE HOUSING FOR STUDENTS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON CERTAIN VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES TO NEW STUDENTS."

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

**NEW SECTION. Section 1. Vaccine-preventable diseases -- requirement to provide information.**

(1) Each postsecondary institution of education that provides housing for students shall provide to each student enrolling or registering at the institution for the first time information on vaccine-preventable diseases known to occur in individuals between 16 and 26 years of age, including:

(a) the signs and symptoms associated with, and options for treating, vaccine-preventable diseases known to occur in individuals between 16 and 26 years of age;

(b) the circumstances that create a risk of acquiring a vaccine-preventable disease known to occur in individuals between 16 and 26 years of age, including the circumstance of living in group quarters;

(c) recommendations by the centers for disease control and prevention with respect to all vaccinations recommended for individuals between 16 and 26 years of age who are attending a residential postsecondary institution;

(d) any additional information on the availability, benefits, risks, and limitations of vaccines for vaccine-preventable diseases known to occur in individuals between 16 and 26 years of age, as determined by the institution; and

(e) information on where to receive a vaccination.

(2) In developing information on vaccine-preventable diseases under this section, a postsecondary institution of education shall consult the department of public health and human services or the centers for disease control and prevention.

(3) If a postsecondary institution of education provides electronic enrollment or registration for students enrolling or registering at the institution for the first time, the institution shall provide the information required by this section electronically at the time of electronic enrollment or registration.

1 (4) For the purposes of this section, "postsecondary institution" has the meaning provided in 20-26-603.

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3 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Notification to tribal governments.** The secretary of state shall send a  
4 copy of [this act] to each tribal government located on the seven Montana reservations and to the Little Shell  
5 Chippewa tribe.

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7 NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an  
8 integral part of Title 20, chapter 25, and the provisions of Title 20, chapter 25, apply to [section 1].

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