

1 \_\_\_\_\_ BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

2 INTRODUCED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LIMITATIONS ON EMERGENCY POWERS; LIMITING  
5 THE ABILITY TO INTERFERE WITH THE COLLECTION OF RENT OR WITH ACTIONS FOR TERMINATION  
6 AND POSSESSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 10-3-102, 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 10-3-102, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"10-3-102. Limitations.** Parts 1 through 4 of this chapter may not be construed to give any state,  
12 local, or interjurisdictional agency or public official authority to:

13 (1) interfere with the course or conduct of a labor dispute, except that actions otherwise authorized by  
14 parts 1 through 4 of this chapter or other laws may be taken when necessary to forestall or mitigate imminent or  
15 existing danger to public health or safety;

16 (2) interfere with dissemination of news or comment on public affairs. However, any communications  
17 facility or organization, including but not limited to radio and television stations, wire services, and newspapers,  
18 may be required to transmit or print public service messages furnishing information or instructions in connection  
19 with an emergency or disaster.

20 (3) affect the jurisdiction or responsibilities of police forces, firefighting forces, units of the armed  
21 forces of the United States, or any personnel of those entities when on active duty, but state, local, and  
22 interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plans must place reliance upon the forces available for performance  
23 of functions related to emergencies and disasters; ~~or~~

24 (4) limit, modify, or abridge the authority of the governor to proclaim martial law or exercise any other  
25 powers vested in the governor under the constitution, statutes, or common law of this state independent of or in  
26 conjunction with any provisions of parts 1 through 4 of this chapter; or

27 (5) except in areas evacuated or subject to control of ingress pursuant to 10-3-104, and for no more  
28 than 60 days without legislative approval, interfere with the collection of rent or with actions for termination and

1 possession pursuant to Title 70, chapter 24, part 4, or Title 70, chapter 27."

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