



1 (3) existing dates, deadlines, and other procedures in both Montana election law and school law that  
2 would require adjustment in order to conduct combined elections; and

3 (4) changes that election administrators would need to implement to combine school elections with  
4 either primary or general elections, including:

5 (a) accommodating various administrative boundaries for jurisdictions holding elections, including  
6 state legislative, county, school district, city, and other district elections, and reducing voter confusion about  
7 these boundaries;

8 (b) administering the technical elements of combined elections, including the effects on overseas and  
9 military voters, different poll location and opening and closing times, and which local government authority is  
10 responsible for election costs; and

11 (c) determining the responsibility for conducting combined elections that involve county election  
12 administrators and school district officials.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee request the participation of stakeholders in the  
14 election process, including county election administrators, the Office of the Secretary of State, the Office of  
15 Public Instruction, school administrators and officials, and other interested parties as determined by the  
16 committee.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the study is assigned to staff, any findings or conclusions be  
18 presented to and reviewed by an appropriate committee designated by the Legislative Council.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all aspects of the study, including presentation and review  
20 requirements, be concluded prior to September 15, 2022.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the final results of the study, including any findings, conclusions,  
22 comments, or recommendations of the appropriate committee, be reported to the 68th Legislature.

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