HOUSE BILL NO. 16

INTRODUCED BY D. HAINES

BY REQUEST OF THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR FIRE SUPPRESSION COSTS FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2003; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 1. Appropriation -- time limits. (1) Subject to subsection (2), up to \$6,571,766 is appropriated from the general fund to the department of natural resources and conservation forestry program.

(2) The appropriation contained in subsection (1) is intended to provide the necessary funding for the supplemental fiscal year transfer for fire costs in fiscal year 2002 and for fire costs in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003. The unspent balance of the appropriation must revert to the general fund.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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