

SENATE BILL NO. 225
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTIONS ON A DATE OTHER THAN THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION DAY IN ORDER FOR THE ELECTORS TO CONSIDER A PROPOSITION REQUESTING ADDITIONAL FUNDING; AMENDING SECTION 20-20-105, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

Section 1. Section 20-20-105, MCA, is amended to read:

"20-20-105. Regular school election day and special school elections -- limitation -- exception.

(1) The first Tuesday after the first Monday of May of each year is the regular school election day. Except as provided in ~~subsection~~ subsections (3) and (4), a proposition requesting additional funding under 20-9-353 may be submitted to the electors only once each calendar year on the regular school election day.

(2) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1), special school elections may be conducted at times determined by the trustees.

(3) In the event of an unforeseen emergency occurring on the date scheduled for the funding election pursuant to subsection (1), the district will be allowed to reschedule the election for a different day of the calendar year. As used in this section, "unforeseen emergency" has the meaning provided in 20-3-322(5).

(4) In years when the legislature meets in regular session or in a special session that affects school funding, the trustees may order an election on a date other than the regular school election day in order for the electors to consider a proposition requesting additional funding under 20-9-353."

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

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