

1 SENATE BILL NO. 21

2 INTRODUCED BY R. ARTHUN

3 BY REQUEST OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE STANDARD FOR ILLEGAL INFLUENCE OF
6 VOTERS; AND AMENDING SECTION 13-35-214, 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 13-35-214, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"13-35-214. Illegal influence of voters.** A person may not knowingly or purposely, directly or indirectly,
12 individually or through any other person, for any election, in order to induce any elector to vote or refrain from
13 voting or to vote for or against any particular candidate, political party ticket, or ballot issue:

14 (1) give, lend, agree to give or lend, offer, or promise any money, liquor, or valuable consideration or
15 promise or endeavor to procure any money, liquor, or valuable consideration; or

16 (2) promise to appoint another person or promise to secure or aid in securing the appointment,
17 nomination, or election of another person to a public or private position or employment or to a position of honor,
18 trust, or emolument in order to aid or promote the candidate's nomination or election, except that the candidate
19 may publicly announce or define the candidate's choice or purpose in relation to an election in which the
20 candidate may be called to take part if elected."

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