

## 1 SENATE BILL NO. 50

2 INTRODUCED BY S. AUGARE

3 BY REQUEST OF THE LAW AND JUSTICE INTERIM COMMITTEE

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ELIMINATE A REPORT ON EXPENDITURES FROM THE  
6 ATTORNEY LICENSE TAX; AND AMENDING SECTION 37-61-211, MCA."7  
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:9  
10 **Section 1.** Section 37-61-211, MCA, is amended to read:11 **"37-61-211. Annual license tax -- municipal tax prohibited.** (1) ~~Every~~ An attorney or counselor at law  
12 admitted by the supreme court of the state to practice within the state is required to pay a license tax of \$25 a  
13 year. The tax is payable to and collected by the clerk of the supreme court on or before April 1 of each year.14 (2) Upon the payment of the tax, the clerk shall issue and deliver a certificate to the person paying the  
15 tax, certifying to the payment of the license tax and stating the period covered by the payment.16 (3) ~~(a)~~ The tax collections must be allocated to the supreme court for operations of the following  
17 commissions or other entities:18 ~~(i)~~(a) commission on code of judicial conduct;19 ~~(ii)~~(b) commission on courts of limited jurisdiction;20 ~~(iii)~~(c) commission on practice;21 ~~(iv)~~(d) commission on technology;22 ~~(v)~~(e) district court council;23 ~~(vi)~~(f) judicial nomination commission;24 ~~(vii)~~(g) judicial standards commission;25 ~~(viii)~~(h) sentence review division; and26 ~~(ix)~~(i) uniform district court rules commission.27 ~~(b) The court administrator shall, as provided in 3-1-702(2), report annually on expenditures authorized~~  
28 ~~in subsection (3)(a) of this section at the first meeting of the law and justice interim committee after the end of~~  
29 ~~each fiscal year.~~30 (4) A license tax may not be imposed ~~upon~~ on attorneys by a municipality or any other subdivision of the

1 state."

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