63rd Legislature SB0194



AN ACT PROVIDING THAT STRIP SEARCHES AND BODY CAVITY SEARCHES MAY BE DONE ONLY WHEN REASONABLE SUSPICION EXISTS.

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

Section 1. Reasonable suspicion required before strip search. A person arrested or detained for a traffic offense or an offense that is not a felony may not be subjected to a strip search or a body cavity search by a peace officer or law enforcement employee unless there is reasonable suspicion to believe the person is concealing a weapon, contraband, or evidence of the commission of a crime.

Section 2. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 46, chapter 5, and the provisions of Title 46, chapter 5, apply to [section 1].

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