

## 1 SENATE BILL NO. 246

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR LAWS RELATED TO THE LEGISLATURE;  
5 PROVIDING FOR A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON LEGISLATIVE RULES AND  
6 PROCEDURES; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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10 **NEW SECTION. Section 1. Legislative council subcommittee -- legislative rules and procedures**  
11 **-- membership -- duties.** (1) The legislative council shall establish a subcommittee on legislative rules and  
12 procedures. The subcommittee must be composed of one member from each caucus from the membership of  
13 the legislative council and four members of the public, one each appointed by the president of the senate, the  
14 speaker of the house, the senate minority leader, and the house minority leader.

15 (2) The subcommittee shall review legislative rules and procedures with the purpose of improving the  
16 legislative process, providing information and service to the public, and strengthening the legislative institution.  
17 The subcommittee may review any legislative rules or procedures that it believes necessary, including but not  
18 limited to voting, public access to legislative information, and committee hearings.

19 (3) The public members of the subcommittee are entitled to salary and expenses as provided in  
20 5-5-211(7).

21 (4) The subcommittee shall make a formal report on recommendations for legislative rules and potential  
22 legislation to the legislative council by September 15 preceding a session. The legislative council may consider  
23 the recommendations and, if adopted, forward them to the rules committees and the legislature.

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25 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an  
26 integral part of Title 5, chapter 11, part 1, and the provisions of Title 5, chapter 11, part 1, apply to [section 1].

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28 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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