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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RENAMING THE COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY; AND AMENDING

5 SECTIONS 1-1-216 AND 20-1-306, MCA."

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

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9 **Section 1.** Section 1-1-216, MCA, is amended to read:

10 **"1-1-216. Legal holidays and business days.** (1) The following are legal holidays in the state of

11 Montana:

12 (a) Each Sunday;

13 (b) New Year's Day, January 1;

14 (c) Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the third Monday in January;

15 (d) Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, the third Monday in February;

16 (e) Memorial Day, the last Monday in May;

17 (f) Independence Day, July 4;

18 (g) Labor Day, the first Monday in September;

19 (h) ~~Columbus~~ Montana Heritage Day, the second Monday in October;

20 (i) Veterans' Day, November 11;

21 (j) Thanksgiving Day, the fourth Thursday in November;

22 (k) Christmas Day, December 25;

23 (l) State general election day.

24 (2) (a) If any of the holidays in subsection (1)(b) through (1)(l) fall on a Sunday, the Monday following

25 is a holiday.

26 (b) If any of the holidays in subsection (1)(b) through (1)(l) fall on a Saturday, the Friday preceding is a

27 holiday.

28 (c) All other days are business days."

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30 **Section 2.** Section 20-1-306, MCA, is amended to read:

1   **"20-1-306. Commemorative exercises on certain days.** (1) All districts shall conduct appropriate

2   exercises during the school day on the following commemorative days:

3   (a) Lincoln's Birthday (February 12);

4   (b) Washington's Birthday (February 22);

5   (c) Arbor Day (last Friday in April);

6   (d) Flag Day (June 14);

7   (e) Citizenship Day (September 17);

8   (f) American Indian Heritage Day (fourth Friday in September);

9   (g) ~~Columbus~~ Montana Heritage Day (October 12);

10   (h) Pioneer Day (November 1);

11   (i) other days designated by the legislature or governor as legal holidays.

12   (2) When these commemorative days fall on Saturday or Sunday, exercises may be conducted the

13   preceding Friday."

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15   NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Notification of Montana supreme court.** The secretary of state shall send

16   a copy of [this act] to the Montana supreme court. The Montana supreme court is requested to update the

17   definition of "legal holiday" in its rules of civil procedure to reflect the provisions of [section 1].

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