

SENATE BILL NO. 220

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS MADE ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OR ITS CITIZENS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DIRECT THE DEPOSIT OF SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS INTO THE STATE GENERAL FUND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."

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

NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Settlement funds.** (1) A settlement agreement made on behalf of the state or its citizens by the department of justice shall direct that settlement proceeds be deposited into the state general fund.

(2) The department of justice may not enter into a settlement agreement on behalf of the state or its citizens that provides for settlement proceeds to be deposited in an account other than the state general fund.

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 2, chapter 15, part 20, and the provisions of Title 2, chapter 15, part 20, apply to [section 1].

NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2017.

NEW SECTION. **Section 4. Applicability.** [This act] applies to settlement agreements made on behalf of the state or its citizens by the department of justice on or after July 1, 2017.

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