

HOUSE BILL NO. 370

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING ANY PERSON FROM BEING EXCLUDED FROM AN OPEN MEETING; ALLOWING RECORDINGS OF PUBLIC MEETINGS BY ANY PERSON; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-3-211, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 2-3-211, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-3-211. Recording. ~~Accredited press representatives~~ A person may not be excluded from any open meeting under this part and may not be prohibited from ~~taking photographs~~ photographing, televising, transmitting images or audio by electronic or digital means, or recording ~~such open~~ such open meetings. The presiding officer may ~~assure~~ ensure that ~~such these~~ these activities do not interfere with the conduct of the meeting."

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