

1 \_\_\_\_\_ BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

2 INTRODUCED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO IDENTIFY GIFTED AND  
5 TALENTED CHILDREN; AMENDING SECTION 20-7-902, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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9 **Section 1.** Section 20-7-902, MCA, is amended to read:

10 **"20-7-902. School district programs to identify and serve the gifted and talented child.** (1) A  
11 school district ~~may~~shall identify gifted and talented children and devise programs to serve them.

12 (2) In identifying gifted and talented children, the school district shall:

13 (a) consult with professionally qualified persons and the parents of children being evaluated;

14 (b) consider a child's demonstrated or potential gifts or talents; and

15 (c) use comprehensive and appropriate assessment methods including objective measures and  
16 professional assessment measures."

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18 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2021.

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