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HOUSE BILL NO. 330

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING STATE RECOGNITION FOR THE NORTHERN TRIBES DUI TASK FORCE; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TRIBAL TASK FORCE TO OBTAIN STATE RECOGNITION; PROVIDING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Tribal drinking and driving prevention task force. (1) The department may provide state recognition to the northern tribes DUI task force.

- (2) To be recognized by the department under this section, the northern tribes DUI task force:
 - (a) must have members representing each of the participating tribal governments;
 - (b) shall study the problem of alcohol-related traffic accidents; and
 - (c) shall develop and recommend to the participating tribal governments a program designed to:
 - (i) prevent driving while under the influence of alcohol;
 - (ii) reduce alcohol-related traffic accidents, injuries, and deaths; and
 - (iii) educate the public on the dangers of driving after consumption of alcoholic beverages or other chemical substances that impair judgment or motor functions.

(3) The northern tribes DUI task force recognized under this section is eligible to receive funding appropriated to the task force and any other state funding available for drinking and driving prevention programs under this part.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Reporting requirements. The presiding officer of the northern tribes DUI task force shall submit to the governor's office:

- (1) a budget and a financial report for each fiscal year; and

- 1 (2) an annual report that includes but is not limited to:
- 2 (a) an evaluation of the effectiveness of the task force;
- 3 (b) an analysis of alcohol-related traffic fatalities involving American Indians; and
- 4 (c) any other information required by the governor's office related to the work of the task force.

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6 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Appropriation.** There is appropriated ~~\$150,000 from the general fund~~
7 ~~25% of the driver's license reinstatement fee deposited to the general fund pursuant to 61-2-107(2) in the prior~~
8 ~~fiscal year~~ to the department of transportation for each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, for the
9 purposes of funding the northern tribes DUI task force pursuant to [section 1].

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11 **NEW SECTION. Section 4. Notification to tribal governments.** The secretary of state shall send a
12 copy of [this act] to each federally recognized tribal government in Montana.

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14 **NEW SECTION. Section 5. Codification instruction.** ~~[Section 4 Sections 1 and 2]~~ is-are intended to
15 be codified as an integral part of Title 61, chapter 2, part 1, and the provisions of Title 61, chapter 2, part 1,
16 apply to ~~[section 4 sections 1 and 2]~~.

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18 **NEW SECTION. Section 6. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2023.

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