

Amendment - 1st Reading/2nd House-blue - Requested by: Denley Loge - (S) Highways and Transportation

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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 679

2 INTRODUCED BY D. LOGE

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN VEHICLES TO CARRY TRACTION
5 CONTROL DEVICES DURING WINTER MONTHS; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING
6 RULEMAKING AUTHORITY."

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

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10 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Certain vehicles to carry tire traction devices during winter months.

11 (1) ~~(a) From Except as provided in subsection (1)(b), from~~ October 1 through April 30, a person operating a tow
12 truck, highway maintenance vehicle, motor truck of 1-ton capacity ~~26,000~~ 26,001 GVW or greater, passenger
13 bus, or truck tractor TOWING A TRAILER on a mountain pass or on a similar stretch of highway designated by the
14 department of transportation as a place where traction control devices ~~may be~~ ARE POTENTIALLY required shall
15 carry in the vehicle APPROVED traction control devices prescribed by the department.

16 ~~(b) The requirement of subsection (1)(a) does not apply to a vehicle with four-wheel drive.~~

17 (2) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE OF \$225
18 FOR A FIRST OFFENSE AND NOT LESS THAN \$225 OR MORE THAN \$500 FOR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES.

19 ~~(2)(3)~~ The department may adopt administrative rules to implement this section.

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21 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
22 integral part of Title 61, chapter 9, part 4, and the provisions of Title 61, chapter 9, part 4, apply to [section 1].

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