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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 868

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF HOUSE BILL NO. 2;

5 PROVIDING FOR A TRANSFER OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR REPORTING BY THE DEPARTMENT OF

6 FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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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. Transfer of funds. By August 15, 2023, the state treasurer shall transfer
11 \$100 from the general fund to the natural resources operations state special revenue account established in 15-
12 38-301.

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14 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Reporting. (1) By September 1, 2023, the department of fish, wildlife,
15 and parks shall submit a report to the natural resources and transportation budget committee and the legislative
16 finance committee describing all projects initiated but not completed, beginning with projects first appropriated
17 in 2015 and continuing through the 2023 biennium in each of the program areas listed in subsection (4).

18 (2) The report must identify for each project:

19 (a) the name of the project;

20 (b) a broad description of the project's objectives;

21 (c) the project's physical location;

22 (d) a description of the work completed;

23 (e) the amount of money expended to date;

24 (f) the amount obligated but unspent; and

25 (g) a description of the problems or obstacles encountered that have prohibited completion of the
26 project.

27 (3) Every quarter after that, the department shall submit a report to the natural resources and

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1 transportation budget committee and the legislative finance committee describing the progress a program made
2 in completing the projects described in subsection (1). The report must include:

- 3 (a) actions taken to complete the project;
- 4 (b) funds expended during the quarter;
- 5 (c) the balance of funds obligated but not spent; and
- 6 (d) problems or obstacles inhibiting project completion.

7 (4) The following programs of the department of fish, wildlife, and parks shall provide reports as
8 outlined in this section:

- 9 (a) wildlife management and maintenance;
- 10 (b) upland game bird enhancement program;
- 11 (c) migrating bird wetland program;
- 12 (d) future fisheries;
- 13 (e) hatcheries maintenance; and
- 14 (f) fish connection.

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16 NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2023.

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