

HOUSE BILL NO. 274

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING CIVIL AIR PATROL FUNDING LAWS; ELIMINATING GRANT RESTRICTIONS; ~~ELIMINATING~~ REVISING A TERMINATION DATE; ~~MAKING~~ EXTENDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION ~~PERMANENT~~; AMENDING SECTION 10-3-802, MCA; ~~REPEALING~~ AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 477, LAWS OF 2019; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

Section 1. Section 10-3-802, MCA, is amended to read:

"10-3-802. (Temporary) Grants -- civil air patrol -- reporting requirements. (1) The department of military affairs shall distribute grants to the Montana civil air patrol on an annual basis ~~to provide training to civil air patrol members.~~

(2) The amount of \$45,000 is statutorily appropriated on an annual basis, as provided in 17-7-502, from the general fund to the department of military affairs for the purposes outlined in subsection (1).

(3) The department of military affairs shall report to the house appropriations committee at each legislative session and to the state administration and veterans' affairs interim committee in accordance with 5-11-210 on the distribution of grants and the following metrics:

- (a) the extent to which counties are informed of the services provided by the civil air patrol;
- (b) the extent to which the civil air patrol is used by counties for search and rescue operations; and
- (c) the amount of savings realized by counties who have used the civil air patrol for search and rescue operations. ~~(Terminates June 30, 2023--sec. 5, Ch. 477, L. 2019.)"~~

1 ~~NEW SECTION. Section 2. — Repealer.~~ Section 5, Chapter 477, Laws of 2019, is repealed.

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3 **SECTION 2.** SECTION 5, CHAPTER 477, LAWS OF 2019, IS AMENDED TO READ:

4 **"Section 5. Termination.** [This act] terminates June 30, ~~2023~~ 2031."

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6 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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