SENATE BILL NO. 141

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: “AN ACT REVISING LEGAL HOLIDAYS IN MONTANA; ESTABLISHING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ DAY; REMOVING COLUMBUS DAY; AND AMENDING SECTION 1-1-216, MCA.”

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

Section 1. Section 1-1-216, MCA, is amended to read:

“1-1-216. Legal holidays and business days. (1) The following are legal holidays in the state of Montana:

(a) Each Sunday;
(b) New Year’s Day, January 1;
(c) Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the third Monday in January;
(d) Lincoln’s and Washington’s Birthdays, the third Monday in February;
(e) Memorial Day, the last Monday in May;
(f) Independence Day, July 4;
(g) Labor Day, the first Monday in September;
(h) Columbus Indigenous Peoples’ Day, the second Monday in October;
(i) Veterans’ Day, November 11;
(j) Thanksgiving Day, the fourth Thursday in November;
(k) Christmas Day, December 25;
(l) State general election day.

(2) (a) If any of the holidays in subsection (1)(b) through (1)(l) fall on a Sunday, the Monday following is a holiday.
(b) If any of the holidays in subsection (1)(b) through (1)(l) fall on a Saturday, the Friday preceding is a holiday.
NEW SECTION. Section 2. Notification to Montana supreme court. The secretary of state shall send a copy of [this act] to the Montana supreme court. The Montana supreme court is requested to update the definition of "legal holiday" in its rules of civil procedure to reflect the provisions of [section 1].

NEW SECTION. Section 3. Notification to tribal governments. The secretary of state shall send a copy of [this act] to each federally recognized tribal government in Montana.

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