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May 27, 2014

TO: Legislative Council Members

FROM: Todd Everts

RE: Bill Draft Addressing the Montana Supreme Court's Decision Regarding Word Restrictions in Referred Legislation

Attached for your review is a suggested bill draft addressing the Montana Supreme Court's decision in MEA-MFT v. State, 2014 MT 76, 374 Mont. 296. The suggested bill draft clarifies that the restriction on the number of words in the title of legislation referred to a vote of the people or legislation initiated by the people excludes citations to sections of the Montana Code Annotated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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