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Commissioner Laurie Esau Montana Department of Labor & Industry P.O. Box 1728 Helena, MT 59624

by intraoffice mail

Dear Commissioner Esau,

A majority of the members of the Economic Affairs Interim Committee (EAIC) voted object to Montana Administrative Register Notice 24-35-376. This notice relates to the amendment of rules pertaining to the determination of independent contractor status, implementing Senate Bill 367 (2021).

The EAIC made its objection under Montana Code Annotated section 2-4-305(9). This statute requires the Department of Labor and Industry (Department) to delay the adoption of the proposed rule until, at the least, the next committee meeting.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Sen. Kenneth Bogner, presiding officer