

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 632
2 INTRODUCED BY F. GARNER

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT;
5 PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS OF FEDERAL FUNDS AND OTHER FUNDS AVAILABLE BECAUSE OF
6 THE RECEIPT OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021; ALLOWING
7 APPROPRIATIONS TO CONTINUE INTO THE 2023 BIENNIUM; PROVIDING CONDITIONS AND
8 RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF FUNDS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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12 (Refer to Introduced Bill)

13 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

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15 **NEW SECTION. Section 1. Health advisory commission.** (1) There is an American Rescue Plan
16 health advisory commission.

17 (2) The commission consists of 9 members, appointed as follows:

18 (a) three senators, two from the majority party and one from the minority party, appointed by the senate
19 president;

20 (b) three representatives, two from the majority party and one from the minority party, appointed by
21 the speaker of the house; and

22 (c) three members, appointed by the governor.

23 (3) The commission shall recommend how funds appropriated to the department of public health and
24 human services are used.

25 (4) Appointed members of the commission shall be compensated and receive travel expenses as
26 provided for in 2-15-124 for each day in attendance at commissions meetings or in the performance of any duty
27 or service as a commission member.

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1 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Deadlines -- meeting -- recommendations -- approval.** (1) The
 2 committee shall meet on or before June 1, 2021 and shall report its recommendations to the director of the
 3 department of public health and human services on or before June 15, 2021.

4 (2) The recommendations of the advisory commission must be considered by the executive. The
 5 department will provide reports to the commission on implementation.

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 7 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Appropriations to the department of public health and human**
 8 **services.** (1) There are federal funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law
 9 117-2, appropriated to the department of public health and human services below for the fiscal year beginning
 10 July 1, 2020, and continuing into the biennium beginning July 1, 2021. Appropriations are authorized to
 11 continue in the biennium beginning July 1, 2023. Appropriation authority is intended to be allocated to the
 12 following items. References to "ARPA Section" means references to sections in the American Rescue Plan Act
 13 of 2021, Public Law 117-2.

14	Amount	Program	ARPA Section
15	13,000,000	SNAP	1101,1102
16	200,000	Commodity Supplemental Food Program	1104
17	900,000	Family Violence Prevention	2204
18	1,111,000	Child Abuse Prevention	2205
19	22,500,000	Vaccine Distribution and Supply	2301
20	143,400,000	Testing and Contact Tracing	2401
21	111,000,000	Child Care Stabilization & Block Grants	2201, 2202
22	1,700,000	State Veteran's Homes	8004
23	23,000,000	Public Health Workforce	2501
24	20,000,000	Rapid Retraining Jobs Training	9901/602
25	17,000,000	SAMHSA/Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder	
26		Mental Health Block Grant	2701
27		Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment	2702
28		Block Grant	

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1		Mental and Behavioral Health Training	2703
2		Grants for Healthcare Providers to Promote	2705
3		Mental and Behavioral Health	
4		Community-based Funding for Local	
5		Substance Use Disorder Services	2706
6		Community-based Funding for	2707
7		Local Behavioral Health Needs	
8	21,000,000	LIHEAP/Water Assistance	2911, 2912
9	1,000,000	Supporting Older Americans and Families	2921
10		Home and Community-Based Supportive	2921
11		Services for blind news service	
12	930,000	Emergency Food and Shelter Program	4007, 4008
13	2,726,000	Pandemic Emergency Assistance	9201
14		Elder Justice Programs	9301
15		Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood	9101
16		Home Visiting	
17		WIC	1105

18 (2) For SNAP, the appropriation is to be used for the 15% benefit extension, administration, and for
19 contracted private sector workforce training.

20 (3) For Rapid Retraining Jobs Training, funding is appropriated to the department of health and human
21 services for contracted private sector workforce training. This training is to prioritize short-term training for high
22 demand occupations. The department will use pay-for-performance contracts and require quarterly reporting
23 that follows up on individual job placements for one full year after training.

24 (4) For SAMHSA, it is the intent of the legislature that the executive consider use of the SAMHSA
25 funds above for the purposes of the HEART fund and for suicide prevention, including the use of the Utah
26 model for suicide prevention that includes social media outreach, and for potential use in the department of
27 corrections.

28 (5) For Childcare Stabilization block grants provided for in section 2201 of the American Rescue Plan

1 Act of 2021, Public Law 117, the department shall use the funds for a subgrant system, prioritized to childcare,
2 deserts for one-time equipment and necessary infrastructure, property improvements, worksite-childcare and
3 employee training.

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6 **NEW SECTION. Section 4. Appropriation to the judicial branch.** There is appropriated \$944,721
7 in federal funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, (602) to the
8 judicial branch to support court operations impacted by the pandemic by streamlining the resolution of family
9 law cases through early mediation and simplified proceedings in judicial districts with heavy caseloads or in
10 remote areas of the state.

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12 **COORDINATION SECTION. Section 5. Coordination instruction.** (1) If both House Bill No. 497
13 and [this act] are passed and approved, section [x health commission provision] must read:

14 "Section 1. Health and human services budget committee -- recommendations. (1) The health and
15 human services budget committee established pursuant to House Bill No. 497 shall recommend how funds
16 appropriated to the department of public health and human services are used.

17 (2) Appointed members of the commission shall be compensated and receive travel expenses as
18 provided for in 2-15-124 for each day in attendance at commissions meetings or in the performance of any duty
19 or service as a commission member."

20 (2) If both House Bill No. 497 and [this act] are passed and approved, all references to the
21 commissions shall be replaced with references to the committee.

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23 **NEW SECTION. Section 6. Appropriations to department of justice.** There are federal funds
24 received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, appropriated to the department of
25 justice below for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020. Appropriation authority is intended to be allocated to the
26 following items. Appropriations are authorized to continue in the biennium beginning July 1, 2023. References
27 to "ARPA Section" means references to sections in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2.

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1	1,000,000	Freezer, Morgue, and Refrigeration Space	9901/604
2	1,000,000	Crime Lab Facility Space	9901/602
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