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**** Bill No. ****

Introduced By *****

By Request of the *****

A Bill for an Act entitled: "An Act extending a moratorium on specialty hospitals; amending section 50-5-245, MCA; providing an effective date."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Montana:

Section 1. Section 50-5-245, MCA, is amended to read:

"50-5-245. Department to license specialty hospitals -- standards -- rulemaking -- moratorium. (1) Subject to subsection (4), the department shall license specialty hospitals using the requirements for licensure of hospitals and the procedure provided for in parts 1 and 2 of this chapter.

(2) The department shall adopt rules that are necessary to implement and administer this section.

(3) Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection (1), the department may not license a specialty hospital until July 1, ~~2009~~ 2011.

(4) A health care facility licensed by the department and in existence on May 8, 2007, may not change its licensure status in order to qualify for licensure as a specialty hospital unless the health care facility is licensed as a hospital."

{*Internal References to 50-5-245: None.*}

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NEW SECTION. **Section 2. {standard} Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2009.

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