_____ BILL NO. _____

INTRODUCED BY _____

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING THE STATE AND LOCAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES REPORT; ELIMINATING THE REQUIRED REPORT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WITH A BALANCE IN A LOCAL CHARGE FOR SERVICES FUND AND ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES THAT FAILED TO REDUCE A CHARGE DURING THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS; AND AMENDING SECTION 17-2-304, MCA."

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

**Section 1.** Section 17-2-304, MCA, is amended to read:

"**17-2-304. Reports required.** (1) ~~(a)~~ The approving authority for a state agency shall annually report in writing to the legislative fiscal analyst by September 15:

~~(i)~~ (a) each state agency that had a cash balance in a state charge for services fund contrary to the limitation provided in 17-2-302(1) during the previous 12 months;

~~(ii)~~ (b) the facts certified for each state agency by the approving authority pursuant to 17-2-302(2);

~~(iii)~~ (c) each state agency that has complied with the requirements of 17-2-303 and the circumstances of the agency's compliance;

~~(iv)~~ (d) each state agency that has not complied with 17-2-303 and the circumstances of the agency's noncompliance; and

~~(v)~~ (e) all expenditures made by the state agency in the preceding 12 months that are related to the production and distribution of public service announcements.

~~(b)~~ (2) The report must be provided in an electronic format.

~~(2) The director of the department of administration shall report to the legislature at the time and in the manner required by 5-11-210 a list of each local government entity that had a balance in a local charge for services fund contrary to the limitation provided by 17-2-302 (1) or that failed to reduce the charge as provided~~

~~in 17-2-303, or both, during the previous 12 months.~~"

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