_____ BILL NO. _____

INTRODUCED BY _____
(Primary Sponsor)
BY REQUEST OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: “AN ACT ELIMINATING THE ABILITY OF STUDY COMMITTEES THAT ARE STAFFED BY THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION TO MEET DURING A LEGISLATIVE SESSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 5-5-214, MCA.”

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

Section 1. Section 5-5-214, MCA, is amended to read:

"**5-5-214. Interim activity.** (1) The interim committees shall perform their functions when the legislature is not in session. The personnel, data, and facilities of the legislative services division and other appropriate legislative entities must be made available to the interim committees.

(2) (a) Except as provided in subsection (2)(b), a committee, council, commission, task force, work group, or other entity that is created by the legislature to study policy issues and make recommendations to the legislature and for which the legislative services division provides staff assistance may not perform its functions when the legislature is in session.

(b) The provisions of subsection (2)(a) do not apply to the legislative council, legislative finance committee, legislative audit committee, or an entity created as authorized by legislative rules."

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