

1 _____ BILL NO. _____
2 INTRODUCED BY _____
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO INACTIVE VOTER STATUS;
5 CLARIFYING THAT A VOTER ON THE INACTIVE LIST IS NOT MOVED TO THE ACTIVE LIST BY SIGNING
6 A PETITION FOR A STATEWIDE BALLOT ISSUE; AMENDING SECTION 13-2-222, MCA; AND PROVIDING
7 AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
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11 **Section 1.** Section 13-2-222, MCA, is amended to read:

12 **"13-2-222. Reactivation of elector.** (1) The name of an elector must be moved by an election
13 administrator from the inactive list to the active list of a county if an elector meets the requirements for
14 registration provided in this chapter and:

15 (a) appears at a polling place in order to vote, submits an application to vote by absentee ballot in
16 a polling place election or mail ballot election, or votes in a mail ballot election conducted under Title 13,
17 chapter 19;

18 (b) notifies the county election administrator in writing of the elector's current residence, which
19 must be in that county; or

20 (c) completes a reactivation form provided by the county election administrator that provides
21 current address information in that county.

22 ~~(2)~~ The name of an elector may not be moved from the inactive list to the active list of a county by
23 the elector signing a petition for a statewide ballot issue.

24 ~~(2)(3)~~ After an elector has complied with subsection (1)(a), (1)(b), or (1)(c), the county election
25 administrator shall place the elector's name on the active voting list for that county.

26 ~~(3)(4)~~ An elector reactivated pursuant to subsection (1)(a) is a legally registered elector for purposes
27 of the election in which the elector voted."
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