

1 _____ BILL NO. _____

2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND
5 HUMAN SERVICES TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN INFORMATION DURING A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY."

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

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9 NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Duties of department during public health emergency.** (1) If the
10 governor has declared a state of emergency pursuant to 10-3-303 that is considered a public health
11 emergency, the department shall make a daily disclosure of health information in accordance with the
12 confidentiality requirements of 50-16-603 on the department's website and any other means considered
13 necessary to communicate to the public the total number of individuals:

14 (a) hospitalized in the state due to conditions, diagnoses, or other impacts to an individual's health
15 that have been identified by the governor as a basis for the public health emergency; and

16 (b) who have died as a result of conditions, diagnoses, or other impacts to an individual's health
17 that have been identified by the governor as a basis for the public health emergency.

18 (2) For each category identified in subsections (1)(a) and (1)(b), the department shall disclose:

19 (a) the number of individuals within the following age cohorts:

20 (i) 0 to 5;

21 (ii) 6 to 15;

22 (iii) 16 to 25;

23 (iv) 26 to 35;

24 (v) 36 to 45;

25 (vi) 46 to 55;

26 (vii) 56 to 65;

27 (viii) 66 to 75;

28 (ix) 76 to 85;

