

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 83
2 INTRODUCED BY T. RUNNING WOLF
3 BY REQUEST OF THE STATE TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE MISSING INDIGENOUS PERSONS TASK
6 FORCE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; LIMITING WHAT FUNDS MAY BE TRANSFERRED TO
7 THE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING THAT THE FUNDS IN THE ACCOUNT ARE SUBJECT TO THE LEGISLATIVE
8 AUDIT ACT; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A
9 TERMINATION DATE."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
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13 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Missing indigenous persons task force account -- AUDIT. (1) There is
14 a missing indigenous persons task force account in the state special revenue fund established in 17-2-102. The
15 account is administered by the department of justice.

16 (2) (a) Except as provided in subsection (2)(b), Money money transferred from any lawful source,
17 including but not limited to gifts, grants, donations, securities, and other assets, public or private, may be
18 deposited in the account.

19 (b) The state of Montana may not transfer funds to the account, including but not limited to
20 appropriations from the general fund or transfers from other state accounts.

21 (3) Money deposited in the account must be used pursuant to 44-2-411 AND IS SUBJECT TO AUDITS
22 AS REQUIRED BY TITLE 5, CHAPTER 13, PART 3.

23 (4) Funds deposited in the account each year must be used by the department only for allowable
24 costs as determined by the department and approved by the missing indigenous persons task force.

25 (5) Interest and income earned on the account and any unspent or unencumbered money in the
26 account at the end of a fiscal year must remain in the account.

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