

1 _____ BILL NO. _____

2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION TO REIMBURSE LAKE
5 COUNTY FOR CONSENTING TO ASSUME FELONY CRIMINAL JURISDICTION; AND PROVIDING AN
6 EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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10 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Appropriation. (1) The following money is appropriated from the general
11 fund to the department of justice to reimburse Lake County for consenting to assume felony criminal jurisdiction
12 over any member of a federally recognized tribe and over Indian territory of the Flathead Indian reservation:

13 Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 \$2.5 million

14 Fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 \$2.5 million

15 (2) The legislature intends that the appropriation in this section is considered part of the ongoing
16 base for the next biennium and every biennium until the state retrocedes from Public Law 280.

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18 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2025.

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