

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 256
 2 INTRODUCED BY C. SPRUNGER, N. DURAM, D. BAUM
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 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXPANDING WHEN AUXILIARY OFFICERS MAY CARRY A LESS
 5 THAN LETHAL WEAPON; ~~AND~~ AMENDING SECTION 7-32-232, MCA; ~~AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE~~
 6 ~~EFFECTIVE DATE.~~"

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

10 Section 1. Section 7-32-232, MCA, is amended to read:

11 "7-32-232. Role of auxiliary officers -- when auxiliary officers may carry LESS THAN LETHAL
 12 weapons. (1) Auxiliary officers:

13 (a) are subordinate to full-time law enforcement officers; and

14 (b) may not serve unless supervised by a full-time law enforcement officer.

15 (2) (A) An auxiliary officer may carry a weapon ~~with approval from the officer's supervising sheriff~~
 16 ~~or law enforcement agency head:~~

17 (a) ~~while on an official search and rescue mission WITH PRIOR APPROVAL FROM THE SHERIFF.; or with~~
 18 ~~prior approval from the sheriff~~

19 (b) AN AUXILIARY OFFICER MAY CARRY A LESS THAN LETHAL WEAPON after completing related training
 20 prescribed by the auxiliary officer's authorizing law enforcement agency."

22 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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