

HOUSE BILL NO. 134

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BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING FUNDS IN THE MONTANA NATIONAL GUARD LAND PURCHASE ACCOUNT TO BE USED FOR PROJECT DESIGN; AND AMENDING SECTION 10-1-108, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 10-1-108, MCA, is amended to read:

"10-1-108. Armories -- acquisition and sale -- proceeds -- account -- utilities easements. (1) A county, city, or town may convey or lease real property to the state for armories or other military facilities.

(2) A county, city, or town in which a unit of the national guard is organized and regularly stationed may provide any part of the funds to build an armory. The armory must be of sufficient size and suitable for the drill of the unit.

(3) (a) There is a Montana national guard land purchase account in the state special revenue fund. If the state sells an armory, the money from the sale must be deposited in the account.

(b) Money in the account is statutorily appropriated, as provided in 17-7-502, for the purposes described in subsection (4).

(c) Any interest and income accruing on the account must be deposited in the state general fund.

(4) ~~(a) Money in the account is expendable solely on the authorization of the governor and~~ may be used for:

(a) preparations to purchase or the purchase of land necessary for the Montana national guard's mission and is expendable solely upon the authorization of the governor;

(b) project design of construction projects allowed in subsection (4)(c); and

~~(b)(c) Money in the account may be used for the construction of facilities necessary for the Montana national guard's mission subject to the provisions of the state long-range building program and 18-2-102.~~

1 Money in the account may not be expended for construction unless the balance of the account, after any
2 proposed construction expenses are deducted, is at least \$250,000.

3 (5) The department may accept the in-kind provision of services or materials, or both, as
4 consideration equal to or exceeding the full market value of any utilities easement on real property used by the
5 department for an armory or military facility."

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