



AN ACT ELIMINATING GENDER AND RACIAL BALANCING FOR APPOINTMENTS BY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND COUNCILS OF STATE GOVERNMENT; ELIMINATING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-15-108, MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 2-15-108, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-15-108. ~~Gender and racial balance~~ — ~~report to legislature~~ Appointments and vacancies. (1)

~~As vacancies occur and appointments are made, all appointing authorities of all appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils of state government shall take positive action to attain gender balance and proportional representation of minorities resident in Montana to the greatest extent possible.~~

(2) — Pursuant to subsection (1), the The secretary of state shall publish in the Montana Administrative Register on a monthly basis the recent appointments made by the executive branch and the upcoming vacancies on executive boards and commissions.

(3) — The governor shall report to the legislature, as provided in 5-11-210, on the progress made toward achieving the goals set forth in this section."

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
HB 215, originated in the House.

Chief Clerk of the House

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2025.

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 215

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