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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 117
2	INTRODUCED BY A. REGIER
3	BY REQUEST OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
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5	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA WAREHOUSE
6	PROJECT PRIORITIES FOR THE 2025-2026 INTERIM; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING
7	APPROPRIATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."
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9	WHEREAS, there is a criminal justice data warehouse housed in the Board of Crime Control; and
10	WHEREAS, the Board of Crime Control shall consult with the Criminal Justice Oversight Council to
11	establish and maintain the criminal justice data warehouse; and
12	WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Oversight Council provides direction and recommendations to the
13	Board of Crime Control on data collection project priorities for the criminal justice data warehouse.
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
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17	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Projects for 2025-2026 interim. (1) In preparation for the 2027
18	legislative session, the board shall prioritize the following projects:
19	(a) create a unique identifier to link data from separate state and local criminal justice agencies
20	and the judicial branch in a manner that is efficient and protects the confidentiality requirements for any
21	personally identifiable information;
22	(b) consult with the council to determine research priorities to answer questions about the criminal
23	justice system, prioritize data collection, and develop data warehouse governance policies;
24	(c) consult with the council to identify and expand on the data elements that the board shall collec
25	to achieve the purposes of 44-7-126;
26	(d) acquire a software application to assist with mastering records received in the criminal justice
27	data warehouse from disparate data systems across the state criminal justice system;



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- 1 warehouse and the associated costs and technology needs to accomplish those steps;
- 2 (iii) a summary of data sharing or integration projects the board has completed; and
- 3 (iv) a list of policy and funding priorities identified for the 2027 legislative session.
- 4 (3) As used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the following definitions
- 5 apply:
 - (a) "Board" means the board of crime control established in 2-15-2008.
- 7 (b) "Council" means the criminal justice oversight council established in 53-1-216.

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- NEW SECTION. Section 2. Appropriations. (1) There is appropriated \$480,000 from the general fund to the department of justice to the credit of the board of crime control division of the department of justice for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, for the purposes of paying for the acquirement of software applications outlined in [section 1]. Any unspent funds must be used for work on the criminal justice data warehouse.
- (2) (a) There is appropriated \$504,243 from the general fund to the department of justice to the credit of the board of crime control division of the department of justice, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025.
- (b) The appropriation in subsection (2)(a) is intended to supplement base funding to the board of crime control for the implementation of the criminal justice data warehouse to fund the positions of one full-time equivalent position of a project manager and one full-time equivalent position of a business or data analyst.
- (c) The legislature intends that the appropriation in subsection (2)(a) be considered part of the ongoing base for the next legislative session.
- (3) (a) There is appropriated \$500,000 from the general fund to the judiciary to the credit of the court administrator BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL, WITH ALL UNUSED FUNDS REVERTING TO THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL, division of the department of justice for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, for the purposes of providing a grant to the judiciary for of-contributing data and information to the criminal justice data warehouse as provided in 44-7-126. Any unspent grant funds must be returned by the judiciary to the board of crime control for work on the criminal justice data warehouse prior to the end of the biennium.
- (b) The legislature intends that this is a one-time-only appropriation.

