

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 485
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING A BID IN A RESIDENTIAL HOME CONSTRUCTION
5 CONTRACT CONSTITUTES THE TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID UNDER THE CONTRACT UNLESS THE
6 PARTIES AGREE OTHERWISE."

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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. Construction contract bids -- requirements.** In a residential home
11 construction contract, a party may not increase the bid amount if the bid is already accepted. The accepted
12 construction bid constitutes the full financial obligations of the parties relating to agreed-on construction
13 services. This section does not apply if the parties agree in writing, prior to the acceptance of the bid, that the
14 bid does not constitute the final amount of money owed for the construction services provided.

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16 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an
17 integral part of Title 28, chapter 2, and the provisions of Title 28, chapter 2, apply to [section 1].

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