



AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SUPREME COURT FROM SELECTING CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS AS THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 5-1-102, MCA.

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

**Section 1.** Section 5-1-102, MCA, is amended to read:

**"5-1-102. Composition of commission.** (1) The majority and minority leaders of each house shall each designate one commissioner for the commission provided for in 5-1-101. Within 20 days after their designation, the four commissioners shall select the fifth member, who shall serve as the presiding officer of the commission.

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ If the four members fail to select the fifth member within the time prescribed, a majority of the supreme court shall select the fifth member. The supreme court may not select a fifth member who has made a campaign contribution in the past 10 years to a major party candidate for state or federal office."

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 711, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 711

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