

HOUSE BILL NO. 215

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL STATE HISTORICAL RIFLE FOR MONTANA."

WHEREAS, the Winchester Model 1873 was produced from 1873 until 1919; and

WHEREAS, the Winchester Model 1873 was produced in several calibers and variations; and

WHEREAS, Winchester Model 1873 rifles were readily available on the frontier and became hugely popular, with over 724,000 produced; and

~~WHEREAS, the popularity of the Winchester Model 1873 has led it to be credited as "The Gun That Won the West".~~

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

NEW SECTION. **Section 1. State historical rifle.** The Winchester Model 1873, including all calibers and variations, is the official Montana state historical rifle.

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 1, chapter 1, part 5, and the provisions of Title 1, chapter 1, part 5, apply to [section 1].

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