

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 491
2 INTRODUCED BY S. GUNDERSON

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICER LAWS; CREATING A
5 RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE ON RETIREMENT; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE
6 EFFECTIVE DATE."

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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. Recognition of meritorious service on retirement. The highway patrol
11 chief may award to a highway patrol officer, on retirement, that highway patrol officer's badge, duty weapon,
12 and handcuffs, providing that a committee of three of the highway patrol officer's peers certifies to the highway
13 patrol chief that the retiring highway patrol officer has served meritoriously for a minimum of 15 years and must
14 be so honored.

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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 44, chapter 1, part 6, and the provisions of Title 44, chapter 1, part 6, apply to [section 1].

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19 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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