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**** Bill No. ****

Introduced By *****

By Request of the *****

A Bill for an Act entitled: "An Act setting energy efficiency standards for new construction of state-owned buildings; and amending section 17-7-201, MCA."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Montana:

NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Energy efficiency standards for new building construction.** (1) All planning and preparation for building construction under 17-7-202 after July 1, 2010, and for newly constructed buildings that the state of Montana leases after July 1, 2010, must be designed, constructed, and certified to the LEED silver standard, the SFI standards, the ATFS standards, or other comparable standards.

(2) (a) State agencies shall compile a report on operating savings relating to buildings constructed after July 1, 2008, to the department of administration before July 1 of each even-numbered year.

(b) The department shall consolidate all reports from state agencies required in subsection (2) (a) into one report to be presented to the legislature during the first week of each regular legislative session. This report is in addition to any other reporting requirements under 17-7-203.

Section 2. Section 17-7-201, MCA, is amended to read:

"17-7-201. Definitions of building and construction. In this part the following definitions apply:

(1) "ATFS standard" means the American tree farm system standard developed by the American tree farm system organization.

~~(1)~~(2) "Building" includes a:

(a) building, facility, or structure constructed or purchased wholly or in part with state moneys;

(b) building, facility, or structure at a state institution;

(c) building, facility, or structure owned or to be owned by a state agency, including the department of transportation.

~~(2)~~(3) ~~"Building"~~ Building does not include a:

(a) building, facility, or structure owned or to be owned by a county, city, town, school district, or special improvement district;

(b) facility or structure used as a component part of a highway or water conservation project.

~~(3)~~(4) "Construction" includes construction, repair, alteration, and equipping and furnishing during construction, repair, or alteration.

(5) "LEED silver standard" means the leadership in energy and environmental design rating standard developed by the United States green building council, commonly called the silver standard.

(6) "SFI standard" means the sustainable forestry initiative

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program.

(6) "State agencies" has the meaning provided in 2-18-111."

{*Internal References to 17-7-201:
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