



February 23, 2021

Opposition to SB 228: AN ACT ALLOWING A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE TO WITHDRAW FROM A BARGAINING UNIT; PROVIDING FOR WRITTEN NOTICE; ESTABLISHING THE TIMELINE FOR PAYMENT OF DUES TO CEASE;

Dear Chairman Kary and members of the Senate State Administration Committee:

My name is Robin Haux, and I am the Labor Program Director for the Montana Nurses Association. MNA is the recognized leader and advocate for the professional nurse in Montana. MNA represents professional nurses, promotes professional nursing practice, standards, and education; and provides nursing leadership in promoting high quality healthcare and overall public health.

MNA, as the state's professional nurse association, proudly supports almost 3000 collective bargaining nurses across Montana. I am testifying today on behalf of MNA in opposition to SB-228 as this bill is completely unnecessary as MNA, existing for 109 years and doing business in Montana since incorporating in 1947, is a good steward of business in Montana and immediately implements changes to any applicable state or federal laws that affect our members and association.

MNA, in addition to the other opponents, encourages a NO vote on SB 228.

Sincerely,

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