Agency Proposal for Legislation for the 2017 Legislative Session

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1. What is the problem or issue?

The Optometry Board only has four members. Since the board is so small, they have difficulty getting a quorum to do business, since the board must be split into the screening panel and the adjudication panel.

2. What do you want the legislation to do?

Add one more optometrist board member.

3. If possible, please list the MCA (Montana Code Annotated) sections that would need to be amended.

§§ 2-15-1736, MCA

4. If the proposed change requires additional funding, what funding sources do you propose (e.g., an increase in or both)?

Would be included in board budget.

5. Has similar legislation been requested in the past, been introduced in another state, or provided as a model act? If so, please provide a citation, reference, or point of contact.

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