



AN ACT REVISING CRIMINAL LAWS RELATING TO STATE PROPERTIES TO INCLUDE THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; PROVIDING THAT PATROL OFFICERS ARE CONSIDERED POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAKING ARRESTS OR SERVING WARRANTS AT THE CAPITOL COMPLEX; AMENDING SECTION 44-1-1003, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1.** Section 44-1-1003, MCA, is amended to read:

**"44-1-1003. Offenses on highways, rest areas, ~~and state highway properties adjacent to the highway, and capitol complex~~ or involving motor vehicles.** Patrol officers are considered police officers for the purpose of making arrests for all offenses occurring on the highways, highway rest areas, state highway properties adjacent to the highway, and the capitol complex as defined in 2-17-802 or involving the use of motor vehicles or the registration thereof and for the purpose of serving warrants of arrest in connection with such violations."

**Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 181, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

HOUSE BILL NO. 181

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