

### **Statement of Purpose and Implication (91 words)**

[Initiative number] proposes to divide the State of Montana into two separate states, North Montana and South Montana, and provides the proposed border between the new states. [Initiative number] establishes transition committees in different policy areas to develop master plans to divide Montana. It also provides that Montana's existing laws and Constitution would apply initially in each new state. If passed by the electorate, [Initiative number] would start the process of dividing Montana into two states, but the consent of the United States Congress would be required to complete the division.

### **Fiscal Statement (47 words)**

[Initiative number] proposes to divide Montana into two states. It is unknown whether, when, or how the states would be divided. The effect on the various assets and liabilities of Montana's existing government is also unknown. Therefore, the costs associated with [Initiative number] cannot be reasonably determined.

### **Yes and No Statements**

[ ] YES on Initiative \_\_\_\_

[ ] NO on Initiative \_\_\_\_