

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

DA 23-0575

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RIKKI HELD; LANDER B., by and through his guardian Sara Busse; BADGE B., by and through his guardian Sara Busse; SARIEL SANDOVAL; KIAN T., by and through his guardian Todd Tanner; GEORGIANNA FISCHER; KATHRYN GRACE GIBSON-SNYDER; EVA L., by and through her guardian Mark Lighthiser; MIKA K., by and through his guardian Rachel Kantor; OLIVIA VESOVICH; JEFFREY K., by and through his guardian Laura King; NATHANIEL K., by and through his guardian Laura King; CLAIRE VLASES; RUBY D., by and through her guardian Shane Doyle; LILIAN D., by and through her guardian Shane Doyle; TALEAH HERNÁNDEZ,

O R D E R

Plaintiffs and Appellees,

v.

STATE OF MONTANA, GOVERNOR GREG GIANFORTE, MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, and MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,

Defendants and Appellants.

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This Court reviews briefs to ensure compliance with Rules 11 and 12 of the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure. After reviewing the brief electronically filed by Amicus Curiae Officers of the Legislature on February 22, 2024, this Court has determined that the brief does not comply with the below-referenced Rule and must be resubmitted.

M. R. App. P. 11(3)(b) requires that all papers produced by typewriter or an equivalent process shall be double spaced except that footnotes and quoted and indented

material may be single spaced. Here, the main body of the brief is not double spaced and does not conform to the rule.

Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that the referenced brief is rejected.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within ten (10) days of the date of this Order Amicus Curiae Officers of the Legislature shall electronically file with the Clerk of this Court a revised brief containing the revisions necessary to comply with the specified Rule and that the Amicus shall serve copies of the revised brief on all parties of record;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that no changes, additions, or deletions other than those specified in this Order may be made to the brief as originally filed; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the times for any subsequent briefing contained in M. R. App. P. 13 shall run from the date of filing of the revised brief.

The Clerk is directed to provide a true copy of this Order to the Amicus and to all parties of record.

Electronically signed by:  
Dirk Sandefur  
Justice, Montana Supreme Court  
February 23 2024