



# MACo LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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The Montana Association of Counties (MACo) publishes this weekly bulletin containing summary descriptions of bills of interest to local government officials. Each issue lists only the bills that have been introduced during the week. Please save this message or print it for future reference.

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## MACo & the Montana Legislature

The MACo website has a section dedicated to helping members keep track of the happenings at the 62nd Montana Legislature: <http://www.maco.cog.mt.us/Legislature/Legislative.htm>. In this section you'll find MACo's resolutions, links to pertinent bills, an archive of our weekly *Legislative Updates*, links to bills and bill status reports, hearing calendars, committee listings, legislator contact information, and more.

## 2011 Projected Session Calendar

As Revised by Leadership — December 7, 2010

**Please Note:** Legislative leadership holds the authority to further revise the schedule, including the days the Legislature meets and the proposed breaks.

**Introduction deadlines:** Generally, bills and resolutions must be introduced within 2 legislative days after delivery. JR 40-50, H40-10.

**“General bills”** is used to denote all bills, except appropriation or revenue bills, and all joint resolutions.

**Notes:** Deadline dates are determined according to legislative days.

Certain bills and resolutions relating to administrative rules may be transmitted at any time during the session. JR 40-200(3).

Jan. 3:	62th Legislative Session begins	March 30:	Transmittal of Revenue Bills and Bills Proposing Referendums
Jan. 17:	Last day to request General Bills	April 1:	Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
Jan. 22:	Last day to request Revenue Bills	April 4:	Last day to request Study Resolutions or Committee Bills to implement HB2
Feb. 14:	Last day for Committee to request General Bills	April 9:	Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills
Feb. 24:	Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber	April 12:	Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Bills, Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions, and Bills Proposing Referendums
Feb. 25-28:	Transmittal Break	April 15:	Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions
March 17:	Transmittal of Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions	April 21:	Session adjourns; Sine Die
March 19:	Last day to request Bills Proposing Referendums or for Committee to request Revenue Bills		
March 25:	Transmittal of Appropriation Bills		

## Happenings from the Hill – Updated Daily

To better keep our members informed of what is occurring at the Montana Capitol, we have been updating our Legislative page (and the homepage) on the MACo website daily with happenings from the 62nd Legislative Session.

Check it out today, tomorrow, the next day, and so forth . . . we're on the hill and on top of the action!

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## Scheduled Hearings

The Senate Local Government Committee meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 3 p.m. in Room 405. The House Local Government Committee meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3 p.m. in Room 172. MACo priority bills are **highlighted** below, and bills we are watching are simply **bolded**.

### Monday, February 07

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	102	<a href="#">HB 2</a>	<b>General Appropriations Act</b>	<a href="#">Walter McNutt</a>
8:00 AM	350	<a href="#">HB 2</a>	<b>General Appropriations Act</b>	<a href="#">Walter McNutt</a>
9:00 AM	137	<a href="#">HB 203</a>	<b>Allow evidence of other crimes in prosecution of sexual offenses</b>	<a href="#">Mike Menahan</a>
9:00 AM	137	<a href="#">HB 371</a>	<b>Revise statutes on practice of law</b>	<a href="#">Jerry O'Neil</a>
9:00 AM	137	<a href="#">HB 374</a>	Implement the Uniform Power of Attorney model law	<a href="#">Kris Hansen</a>
9:00 AM	152	<a href="#">HB 316</a>	<b>Redistribute certain revenue and income to state general fund</b>	<a href="#">Rob Cook</a>
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9:00 AM	152	<a href="#">HB 375</a>	<b>Reduce certain general fund transfers</b>	<a href="#">Rob Cook</a>
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9:00 AM	455	<a href="#">HB 349</a>	Provide for ability to check residency of candidates for political office	<a href="#">Lila Walter Evans</a>
9:00 AM	455	<a href="#">HB 362</a>	<b>Provide for budget sessions and general sessions of legislature</b>	<a href="#">Ken Peterson</a>
9:00 AM	317C	<a href="#">HB 2</a>	<b>General Appropriations Act</b>	<a href="#">Walter McNutt</a>
10:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SJ 2</a>	Resolution calling on Congress to withdraw US from UN	<a href="#">Dave Lewis</a>
3:00 PM	102	<a href="#">HB 252</a>	<b>Prohibit dept. of transportation from recovering indirect costs for fed grants</b>	<a href="#">Brian Hoven</a>
3:00 PM	102	<a href="#">HB 79</a>	Authorize spending authority for Blackfeet mitigation account interest payments	<a href="#">Lila Walter Evans</a>
3:00 PM	335	<a href="#">SB 229</a>	Revise laws relating to state-tribal coop agreements act and PERS	<a href="#">Jon Sonju</a>
3:00 PM	335	<a href="#">SB 247</a>	Clarify appointment of Montana Poet Laureate	<a href="#">Lynda Moss</a>
3:00 PM	405	<a href="#">SB 240</a>	<b>Revise laws related to street lighting improvement districts</b>	<a href="#">Lynda Moss</a>
3:00 PM	405	<a href="#">SB 248</a>	<b>Allow five member county tax appeal board</b>	<a href="#">Kim Gillan</a>
3:00 PM	472	<a href="#">HB 331</a>	<b>State assistance for economic damage by brucellosis</b>	<a href="#">David Howard</a>
3:15 PM	303	<a href="#">SB 244</a>	Allow school districts to charge certain preschool fees	<a href="#">Bob Lake</a>

### Tuesday, February 08

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	137	<a href="#">HB 379</a>	<b>Generally revise search warrant requirements</b>	<a href="#">Mike Menahan</a>
8:00 AM	137	<a href="#">HB 382</a>	Prohibit infringement of constitutional right to nullify certain fed legislation	<a href="#">Derek Skees</a>
8:00 AM	172	<a href="#">SB 16</a>	Revise authority of board of horse racing and requirements regarding simulcasts	<a href="#">Taylor Brown</a>
8:00 AM	172	<a href="#">SB 23</a>	Require midwives to disclose whether they carry malpractice insurance	<a href="#">Anders Blewett</a>
8:00 AM	172	<a href="#">SB 27</a>	Provide for acupuncturist on board of medical examiners	<a href="#">Christine Kaufmann</a>
8:00 AM	172	<a href="#">SB 78</a>	Adopt model language for Montana Guaranty Association	<a href="#">Rick Ripley</a>
8:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SB 185</a>	Abolish death penalty and replace with life in prison w/o parole	<a href="#">David E Wanzenried</a>
8:00 AM	405	<a href="#">SB 261</a>	Constitutional referendum to permit annual sessions	<a href="#">Jeff Essmann</a>
8:00 AM	455	<a href="#">HB 344</a>	Prohibit favoritism between for-profit and nonprofit corps in state contracts	<a href="#">Steve Gibson</a>
8:00 AM	455	<a href="#">HB 350</a>	Revise expiration of state contracts	<a href="#">Wayne Stahl</a>
8:00 AM	455	<a href="#">HB 386</a>	Revise management of state-owned or state-leased vehicles	<a href="#">Wayne Stahl</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 29</a>	Expand criteria for extraordinary event exceptions to uses of credit information	<a href="#">Jonathan McNiven</a>

## Tuesday, February 08 Continued . . .

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">SB 259</a>	Require impoundment of license plates if driver is uninsured	<a href="#">Edward Buttrey</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">SB 260</a>	Require car insurance companies to provide disclosure on how rates determined	<a href="#">Jonathan Windy Boy</a>
3:00 PM	152	<a href="#">HB 337</a>	Revising definitions related to fish and game violations	<a href="#">Mike Menahan</a>
3:00 PM	152	<a href="#">HB 361</a>	Requiring the issuance of archery-only elk permits at 2007 levels	<a href="#">Ted Washburn</a>
3:00 PM	152	<a href="#">HB 372</a>	Clarify preference system laws for nonresident permits and licenses	<a href="#">Ted Washburn</a>
3:00 PM	172	<a href="#">HB 346</a>	Revise monthly pension payable to volunteer firefighter	<a href="#">Bill Beck</a>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>172</b>	<b><a href="#">HB 366</a></b>	<b>Revise county interim zoning law</b>	<b><a href="#">Matthew Rosendale</a></b>
3:00 PM	422	<a href="#">SB 255</a>	Establish criteria for FVP commission decisions	<a href="#">John Brenden</a>
5:00 PM	317	<a href="#">SB 224</a>	Require legislative action for grant application for patient protection act	<a href="#">Jason Priest</a>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>317</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 84</a></b>	<b>Revise deposit of fish and wildlife fines, restitution, damages</b>	<b><a href="#">John Brenden</a></b>

## Wednesday, February 09

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>137</b>	<b><a href="#">HB 332</a></b>	<b>Restore the right of a fully informed jury</b>	<b><a href="#">Bob Wagner</a></b>
8:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SB 116</a>	Prohibit physician-assisted suicide	<a href="#">Greg Hinkle</a>
8:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SB 167</a>	Implement ruling on aid in dying for terminally ill patients	<a href="#">Anders Blewett</a>
8:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SB 169</a>	Provide for suicide predator penalty enhancement	<a href="#">Greg Hinkle</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 17</a>	Correct terminology describing state agency liquor stores	<a href="#">Roy Hollandsworth</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 44</a>	Repeal Montana Capital Company Act	<a href="#">Brian Hoven</a>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>422</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 243</a></b>	<b>General revision of workers' compensation law</b>	<b><a href="#">Ryan Zinke</a></b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>405</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 234</a></b>	<b>Generally revise municipal solid waste services</b>	<b><a href="#">Jon Sonju</a></b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>405</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 236</a></b>	<b>Revise solid waste laws related to local government</b>	<b><a href="#">Edward Buttrey</a></b>

## Thursday, February 10

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>303</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 17</a></b>	<b>Require admin of detention facility by sheriff, chief of police or dept of corr</b>	<b><a href="#">Jim Shockley</a></b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>303</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 18</a></b>	<b>Provide sheriff sole authority to hire/fire detention/law enforcement officers</b>	<b><a href="#">Jim Shockley</a></b>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 127</a>	Generally revise gambling laws	<a href="#">Pat Noonan</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 63</a>	Revise liquor laws related to nonprofits and protest	<a href="#">Pat Noonan</a>
9:00 AM	422	<a href="#">HB 94</a>	Revise professional and occupational licensing laws	<a href="#">Elsie Arntzen</a>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>172</b>	<b><a href="#">HB 338</a></b>	<b>Revise the document standards law</b>	<b><a href="#">John Esp</a></b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>172</b>	<b><a href="#">HB 373</a></b>	<b>Revising laws relating to county water and sewer district boards</b>	<b><a href="#">Lila Walter Evans</a></b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>172</b>	<b><a href="#">HB 380</a></b>	<b>Revise laws related to water and waste water systems and districts</b>	<b><a href="#">Mark Blasdel</a></b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>335</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 237</a></b>	<b>Revise laws relating to brucellosis surveillance</b>	<b><a href="#">Ron Arthun</a></b>
5:00 PM	317	<a href="#">SB 227</a>	Requiring a report on advertising of state government services	<a href="#">Jason Priest</a>
5:00 PM	317	<a href="#">SB 231</a>	Revise traumatic brain injury contribution on vehicle registration to opt-out	<a href="#">Bradley Hamlett</a>

## Friday, February 11

Time	Room	Bill	Short Title	Sponsor
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>303</b>	<b><a href="#">SB 154</a></b>	<b>Regulating medical marijuana provider supply system</b>	<b><a href="#">Dave Lewis</a></b>
8:00 AM	303	<a href="#">SB 97</a>	Revise parental notice of abortion and judicial bypass	<a href="#">Jim Shockley</a>
3:00 PM	3147	<a href="#">HB 74</a>	Allow for expedited relative notification in foster care cases	<a href="#">Trudi Schmidt</a>

## MACo Resolutions/Legislation

No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 130</a> LC0460	Expand types of elections to be conducted by mail ballot elections	2010-11	Pat Ingraham	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS; REQUIRING ELECTIONS OTHER THAN SCHOOL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD BY MAIL; PROVIDING FOR TRAINING OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS AND ELECTION JUDGES; REVISING PROCEDURES BY WHICH ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS CONFIRM ELECTORS' RESIDENCE AND MAILING ADDRESSES; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR REACTIVATING AN ELECTOR'S REGISTRATION; REVISING CERTAIN ABSENTEE BALLOT PROVISIONS; REQUIRING COUNTIES TO PAY FOR BALLOTS RETURNED WITH INSUFFICIENT POSTAGE; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR CREATING AND APPROVING A WRITTEN ELECTION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE TO INACTIVE ELECTORS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING BOOTHS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR PLACES OF DEPOSIT AND OFFICIAL DROP BOXES FOR BALLOT RETURNS; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING AND COUNTING RETURNED BALLOTS; REPEALING THE REQUIREMENT THAT ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS PROVIDE FOR PROPORTIONAL VOTING IN CERTAIN ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 13-1-101, 13-1-203, 13-2-220, 13-2-222, 13-2-301, 13-4-203, 13-13-212, 13-13-214, 13-19-101, 13-19-102, 13-19-104, 13-19-105, 13-19-106, 13-19-201, 13-19-202, 13-19-203, 13-19-204, 13-19-205, 13-19-206, 13-19-207, 13-19-301, 13-19-303, 13-19-304, 13-19-305, 13-19-306, 13-19-307, 13-19-308, 13-19-309, 13-19-310, 13-19-311, 13-19-313, AND 13-21-210, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 13-19-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 214</a> LC0442	Managing bison as livestock	2010-14	Bill Harris	(H) Hearing – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks 02/01/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE MANAGEMENT OF ALL BUFFALO OR BISON AS LIVESTOCK FOR PURPOSES OF RECORDING MARKS AND BRANDS AND CONTAINMENT; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION WHEN BUFFALO OR BISON ARE MOVED TO ANOTHER COUNTY; PROVIDING ALTERNATE REGULATION OF ESTRAY BUFFALO OR BISON NOT OWNED BY A PERSON; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-101, 15-24-921, 81-3-201, 81-4-601, 81-4-602, 81-4-603, 87-1-102, 87-1-271, 87-2-101, 87-2-701, 87-2-702, 87-2-730, 87-2-731, AND 87-2-807, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 81-2-120, 81-2-121, AND 87-1-216, MCA."			
<a href="#">HB 297</a> LC1431	Extend time frames to preserve historic right of way under environmental policy	2010-07	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/27/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME FOR APPLYING FOR A HISTORIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ON STATE LANDS; AMENDING SECTION 77-1-130, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 461, LAWS OF 1997, SECTION 6, CHAPTER 270, LAWS OF 2001, AND SECTIONS 2, 3, AND 4, CHAPTER 57, LAWS OF 2005; AND PROVIDING A TERMINATION DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 318</a> LC1049	Ensure county oversight in movement of publicly-owned wild buffalo or bison	2010-01	Wendy Warburton	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 01/27/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BEFORE THE DEPARTMENTS OF LIVESTOCK OR FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS MAY AUTHORIZE ANY MOVEMENT OF WILD BUFFALO OR BISON CERTIFIED AS BRUCELLOSIS-FREE INTO A MONTANA COUNTY; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-2-120 AND 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">SB 85</a> LC0580	Revise commissioners authority on use of county roads	2010-10	Cliff Larsen	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO LIMIT USE OF A COUNTY ROAD OR OTHER PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY UNDER THE COUNTY'S JURISDICTION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-14-2103, 7-14-2133, AND 7-14-2134, MCA."			
<a href="#">SB 144</a> LC0176	Revise laws governing translocation of bison; prohibit free-roaming bison	2010-14	John Brenden	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 01/20/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS FROM RELOCATING WILD BUFFALO OR BISON OR ALLOWING FREE-ROAMING BISON IN THE STATE; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROHIBITION FROM RELOCATION; AMENDING SECTION 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">SB 183</a> LC1029	Revise interim zoning laws	2010-09	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 01/26/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO PREVENT A PROPOSED USE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."			
<a href="#">SB 248</a> LC0421	Allow five member county tax appeal board	2010-02	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 02/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT A FIVE-MEMBER COUNTY TAX APPEAL BOARD; PROVIDING THAT IN COUNTIES WITH FIVE-MEMBER BOARDS, THREE OF THE MEMBERS HEAR EACH APPEAL; AND AMENDING SECTION 15-15-101, MCA."			

## MACo Resolutions/Legislation Continued . . .

No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">SL 6</a> LC0589	Resolution regarding federal land use policy	Public Lands PS	Alan Olson	(S) Committee Report—Bill Passed as Amended— (S) Natural Resources
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO EXPEDITE THE FEDERAL LAND USE DECISION PROCESSES IN MONTANA, TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF TRADITIONAL MULTIPLE RESOURCE USES ON FEDERAL LANDS, NOT TO IMPOSE RESTRICTIONS ON ADDITIONAL FEDERAL LAND OR MINERALS THAT WOULD PRECLUDE DEVELOPMENT, AND TO SUPPORT FEDERAL LEGISLATION PLACING CHECKS AND BALANCES ON THE PRESIDENT'S POWERS TO DECLARE NATIONAL MONUMENTS.			
<a href="#">LC0865</a>	Define spot zoning	2010-21	Brian Hoven	(C) Draft On Hold
<a href="#">LC0866</a>	Define military affected areas	2010-12	Brian Hoven	(C) Draft On Hold
<a href="#">LC1283</a>	Revise incorporation laws to coincide with annexation laws	2010-15	Gary MacLaren	(C) Draft Delivered to Requester
<a href="#">LC1352</a>	Generally revise tax increment financing districts	2010-19	Jim Keane	(C) Draft Request Received

## MACo Priority Watch List

No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 2</a>	General Appropriations Act	Walter McNutt	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government 02/04/2011; 10:15 AM, Rm 350
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2013; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 11</a>	Treasure state endowment program and transfers of money to the general fund	Jon C Sesso	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/31/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF MONEY FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT AND THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE STATE GENERAL FUND; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS AND PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING GRANTS; EXTENDING TRANSFERS TO THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT FUND TO 2021; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-5-703, 90-6-701, AND 90-6-703, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 20</a>	Authorize county social host liability ordinances	Gordon R Hendrick	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCES CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO AND POSSESSION OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY AN UNDERAGE PERSON AT SOCIAL GATHERINGS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 22</a>	Extend the sunset on wireless 9-1-1 funding for less populated counties	Harry Klock	(S) Hearing – (S) Energy and Telecommunications 02/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXTENDING THE SUNSET ON WIRELESS 9-1-1 FUNDING FOR LESS-POPULATED COUNTIES; AMENDING SECTION 10-4-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 26</a>	Clarify the provisions of the entitlement share payment program	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/17/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT PROGRAM; PROHIBITING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MILLS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY LEVY FOR A REIMBURSED TAX BASE DECREASE; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-121 AND 15-10-420, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 28</a>	Revise requirements for septic mixing zones	Walter McNutt	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DRAINFIELD MIXING ZONES BE LOCATED WHOLLY WITHIN THE SUBDIVISION WHERE THE DRAINFIELD IS LOCATED UNLESS AN EASEMENT IS OBTAINED; AMENDING SECTION 76-4-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		

## MACo Priority Watch List Continued . . .

No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 43</a>	Clarifying employer's rights related to employee use of medical marijuana	Gary MacLaren	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Human Services
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING EMPLOYER RIGHTS RELATED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION, DRUG TESTING, AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION INVOLVING AN EMPLOYEE'S MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA; EXPANDING THE TYPES OF EMPLOYEES COVERED BY THE WORKFORCE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING ACT; CREATING EMPLOYMENT-RELATED EXCEPTIONS TO THE PROTECTIONS OF THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-2-206, 39-2-210, 39-2-313, 39-71-407, 50-46-201, AND 50-46-205, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 56</a>	Generally revise local government entitlement share calculation	Tony Belcourt	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/13/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE GROWTH RATE USED TO DETERMINE THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; APPLYING AN ANNUAL GROWTH FACTOR OF 0.76% FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR STARTING WITH FISCAL YEAR 2012; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT A THREE-FIFTHS VOTE IN EACH HOUSE IS REQUIRED TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 15-1-121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 61</a>	Allow local jurisdictions to set lower speed limits on unpaved roads	Gary MacLaren	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A LOCAL AUTHORITY TO SET REDUCED SPEED LIMITS ON CERTAIN UNPAVED ROADS; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-310, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 68</a>	Revise Medical Marijuana Act and create regulatory structure for industry	Diane Sands	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 01/21/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT TO CREATE A LICENSING AND REGULATORY SYSTEM FOR PEOPLE WHO GROW, MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTE, OR SELL MEDICAL MARIJUANA; REQUIRING MONTANA RESIDENCY TO OBTAIN A REGISTRY IDENTIFICATION CARD OR A LICENSE; CLARIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR PHYSICIANS WHO PROVIDE WRITTEN CERTIFICATION; PROVIDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY TO REGULATE MEDICAL MARIJUANA LICENSEES; ESTABLISHING PROHIBITIONS ON THE MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA BY CERTAIN PEOPLE; EXPANDING THE LIMITATIONS ON THE MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; CREATING A SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-111, 50-46-101, 50-46-102, 50-46-103, 50-46-201, 50-46-202, 50-46-205, 50-46-207, 50-46-210, AND 61-11-101, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 50-46-206, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES, APPLICABILITY DATES, AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 85</a>	Require employer contributions on working retirees in PERS, SRS, FURS	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/14/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE ACTUARIAL UNFUNDED LIABILITY OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY REQUIRING EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS ON WORKING RETIREES IN THOSE SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-1101 AND 19-13-301, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 87</a>	Revise workers' comp laws to implement recs of Labor-Management Advisory Council	Chuck Hunter	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LABOR MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; PROVIDING A PROCESS FOR CLOSING WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS; OUTLINING CONDITIONS FOR REOPENING AND MEDIATING A CLAIM; REVISING PUBLIC POLICY TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO ACTUAL WAGE LOSS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS TO THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT; REDUCING THE TIME FOR INSURERS TO ACCEPT OR DENY A CLAIM; REVISING CONDITIONS FOR TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY BENEFITS; REVISING THE PROCESS FOR PROVIDING COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES FOR DISPUTED MEDICAL BENEFITS AWARDED BY COURT; REVISING CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND PROCESSES RELATED TO PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITIES; PROVIDING SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FOR IMPAIRMENT RATINGS AND ALLOWING DEPARTMENT TO CHANGE GUIDANCE BY RULE; ALLOWING RETROACTIVE BENEFIT PAYMENT TO CERTAIN WORKERS; REVISING MEDICAL CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND LUMP-SUM PAYMENTS; REVISING VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES AND TERMS TO ASSIST AN EMPLOYEE IN STAYING AT WORK OR RETURNING TO WORK; PROVIDING CONDITIONS FOR RETRAINING BENEFITS; ALLOWING EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG INTERESTED PARTIES; CREATING A STAY-AT-WORK/RETURN-TO-WORK ASSISTANCE FUND AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FUND; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-105, 39-71-116, 39-71-118, 39-71-316, 39-71-407, 39-71-606, 39-71-609, 39-71-611, 39-71-612, 39-71-614, 39-71-701, 39-71-702, 39-71-703, 39-71-704, 39-71-710, 39-71-711, 39-71-712, 39-71-721, 39-71-723, 39-71-736, 39-71-737, 39-71-741, 39-71-744, 39-71-1011, 39-71-1025, AND 39-71-1031, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 39-71-1006, 39-71-1014, AND 39-71-1032, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 105</a>	Provide Insur Comm authority to review and approve health insurance premiums	Robyn Driscoll	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 01/18/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT RATES FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE FOR REVIEW; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN REFUNDS RELATED TO A MINIMUM LOSS RATIO; PROVIDING TERMS FOR RATE APPROVAL, DISAPPROVAL, AND WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR A MINIMUM LOSS RATIO AND A MINIMUM LOSS RATIO GUARANTEE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 122</a>	Provide for benefit and funding changes to public employees retirement system	Sue Malek	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/01/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING BENEFIT AND FUNDING PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; INCREASING THE NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE FOR NEW HIRES; INCREASING THE AGE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EARLY RETIREMENT FOR NEW HIRES; ELIMINATING EARLY RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY BASED ON MEMBERSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW HIRES; CHANGING THE CALCULATION OF HIGHEST AVERAGE COMPENSATION FOR NEW HIRES; REDUCING THE MULTIPLIER USED TO CALCULATE BENEFIT PAYMENTS FOR NEW HIRES; INCREASING THE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS DUE ON BEHALF OF NEW HIRES; INCREASING THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ALL COVERED PAYROLL; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-3-108, 19-3-315, 19-3-316, 19-3-319, 19-3-513, 19-3-901, 19-3-902, 19-3-904, 19-3-906, 19-3-1002, 19-3-1008, 19-3-1106, 19-3-1205, 19-3-2117, 19-3-2141, AND 19-21-214, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 123</a>	Revise county and school district budgeting timelines	Edith (Edie) McClafferty	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING CERTAIN DEADLINES RELATIVE TO SCHOOL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING LAWS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-6-4036, 15-10-305, 20-3-205, 20-3-209, 20-7-705, 20-9-115, 20-9-121, 20-9-131, 20-9-134, 20-9-141, 20-9-142, 20-9-151, 20-9-152, 20-9-213, 20-9-439, 20-9-501, 20-9-503, 20-9-506, 20-9-533, 20-9-534, 20-9-604, 20-10-144, 20-10-146, 20-10-147, AND 20-15-313, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 20-9-211, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 128</a>	Revise health insurance laws	Pat Noonan	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 02/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING HEALTH INSURANCE LAWS; PROHIBITING PREEXISTING CONDITION EXCLUSIONS FOR CHILDREN UNDER 19 YEARS OF AGE AND PROVIDING OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIODS; REMOVING CERTAIN DOLLAR LIMITS AND LIFETIME LIMITS; PROVIDING ENROLLMENT OPTIONS FOR LOSS OF COVERAGE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROVIDING FOR COVERAGE OF PREVENTIVE SERVICES WITH NO COST SHARING; PROVIDING FOR A CHOICE OF PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS; PROHIBITING RESCISSIONS AND PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; EXPANDING COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN UNDER 26 YEARS OF AGE AS DEPENDENTS; DELINEATING CHANGES THAT APPLY TO GRANDFATHERED PLAN COVERAGE INCLUDING PLANS FOR GOVERNMENT ENTITIES; EXTENDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; INCREASING AMOUNTS TO BE PAID FOR MAMMOGRAMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-704, 7-21-3710, 33-1-102, 33-15-403, 33-18-215, 33-22-101, 33-22-109, 33-22-129, 33-22-131, 33-22-132, 33-22-140, 33-22-143, 33-22-152, 33-22-242, 33-22-246, 33-22-303, 33-22-508, 33-22-512, 33-22-514, 33-22-515, 33-22-703, 33-22-1516, 33-22-1521, 33-22-1704, 33-22-1706, 33-22-1802, 33-22-1803, 33-22-1810, 33-22-1811, 33-22-1813, 33-22-1815, 33-22-1901, 33-22-1902, 33-22-1903, 33-22-1904, 33-22-1905, 33-22-1906, 33-22-1907, 33-22-1908, 33-30-1007, 33-30-1014, 33-31-111, AND 33-35-306, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 33-22-245, 33-22-522, 33-22-1821, 33-22-1827, 33-22-1828, AND 33-31-322, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		
<a href="#">HB 129</a>	Create state-level external review process for health insurance	Gary MacLaren	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Human Services
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ADOPTING AND REVISING PROCESSES THAT PROVIDE FOR UTILIZATION REVIEW, GRIEVANCE, AND EXTERNAL REVIEW OF HEALTH INSURANCE ISSUERS' ACTIONS; AMENDING HEALTH INSURANCE UTILIZATION REVIEW; ESTABLISHING INDEPENDENT REVIEW ORGANIZATIONS FOR EXTERNAL REVIEW; LIMITING LIABILITY FOR INDEPENDENT REVIEW ORGANIZATIONS FOR DECISIONS MADE IN EXTERNAL REVIEWS; REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE ISSUERS TO PAY THE COSTS OF AN EXTERNAL REVIEW; EXTENDING RULEMAKING; AMENDING SECTIONS 33-32-101, 33-32-102, 33-32-103, 33-32-104, 33-32-105, AND 33-33-103, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 33-32-201, 33-32-203, 33-37-101, 33-37-102, 33-37-103, 33-37-104, 33-37-105, AND 33-37-106, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 133</a>	Provide for court orders, fines, liens for noncompliance with noxious weed laws	Daniel R Salomon	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 01/13/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING AND CLARIFYING THE PROCESSES AND REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF NOXIOUS WEEDS; AUTHORIZING A WEED CONTROL BOARD TO SEEK A COURT ORDER TO MANAGE NOXIOUS WEEDS; PROVIDING FOR CIVIL PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS; PROVIDING FOR A LIEN ON PROPERTY FOR UNPAID CIVIL PENALTIES; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-22-2123, 7-22-2124, AND 7-22-2148, MCA."		

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<a href="#">HB 135</a>	Provide benefit and funding changes to sheriffs retirement system	Carolyn Squires	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/17/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE TIME PERIOD FOR CALCULATING HIGHEST AVERAGE COMPENSATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO INITIALLY BECOME MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AFTER JUNE 30, 2011; INCREASING EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS ON ALL PAYROLL COVERED BY THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-101 AND 19-7-404, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 136</a>	Generally revise school funding	Trudi Schmidt	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Education
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING MONTANA'S EDUCATION LAWS; ESTABLISHING A TEACH MONTANA SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; DISTRIBUTING A PERCENTAGE OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION TAXES TO THE TEACH MONTANA ACCOUNT TO SERVE AS A NONEXCLUSIVE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE QUALITY EDUCATOR PAYMENT; ESTABLISHING AN INFLATIONARY INCREASE TO THE QUALITY EDUCATOR PAYMENT; PROVIDING INFLATIONARY INCREASES TO THE BASIC ENTITLEMENT, THE PER-ANB ENTITLEMENT, AND THE QUALITY EDUCATOR PAYMENT; RENAMING THE MONTANA VIRTUAL ACADEMY; MOVING THE ACADEMY FROM THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD; INCLUDING STATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES AS A PURPOSE OF THE SCHOOL FACILITY AND TECHNOLOGY ACCOUNT; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR GRANTS TO HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PROJECTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO IMPLEMENT THE TAX DISTRIBUTIONS; DELAYING THE DEPOSIT OF POWER SITE RENTAL PAYMENTS TO THE SCHOOL FACILITY AND TECHNOLOGY ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-36-331, 15-36-332, 20-7-1201, 20-9-306, 20-9-326, AND 20-9-516, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 32, CHAPTER 486, LAWS OF 2009; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		
<a href="#">HB 140</a>	Transfer funds from the economic development special revenue account	Cynthia Hiner	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/11/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY ALLOCATION TO THE STATE GENERAL FUND OF 50% OF THE EARNINGS DEPOSITED INTO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-5-703 AND 90-1-205, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 143</a>	Revise Taylor Grazing Act funds distribution; 100% to county general fund	Wayne Stahl	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed—(H) Taxation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF TAYLOR GRAZING ACT FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE STATE AND ALLOCATED TO COUNTIES BY REQUIRING THE COUNTY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND ALL TAYLOR GRAZING ACT FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE STATE; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-3-222, 20-9-331, AND 20-9-332, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 150</a>	Revise duties of fire district trustees and boards	Ted Washburn	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE TRUSTEES OF A FIRE DISTRICT TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AN ANNUAL REPORT; REQUIRING THAT THE REPORT CONTAIN CERTAIN INFORMATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-33-2105, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 156</a>	Increase the rate of payment of interment allowance and headstone	Frank Smith	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE ALLOWANCE TO BE PAID BY THE COUNTY OF RESIDENCE FOR THE INTERMENT AND THE SHIPPING AND RAISING OF A HEADSTONE FOR A VETERAN; AMENDING SECTION 10-2-501, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 166</a>	Revise weed control laws	John Esp	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Agriculture
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING WEED CONTROL LAWS; REQUIRING COUNTY APPROVAL OF WEED MANAGEMENT PLANS; CLARIFYING DUTY OF SELLER OR SELLER'S AGENT TO INFORM PROPERTY BUYER OF WEED INFESTATIONS AND MANAGEMENT; REVISING FUNDING OPTIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2711, 7-22-2103, 7-22-2109, 7-22-2116, 7-22-2120, 7-22-2121, 7-22-2126, 7-22-2141, 7-22-2142, 7-22-2153, AND 80-7-814, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 170</a>	Revise federal mineral leasing act pass-through funds	Wayne Stahl	((H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL MINERAL ROYALTY INCOME TO COUNTIES WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FEDERALLY OWNED MINERALS HAS OCCURRED; PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF ALL OF FEDERAL MINERAL ROYALTY INCOME TO THE MINERAL IMPACT ACCOUNT TO BE USED FOR COUNTIES; AMENDING SECTION 17-3-240, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		



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<a href="#">HB 186</a>	Continue allocation to Worksafe Montana thru assessment on work comp insurer  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY TO PROVIDE UP TO \$1 MILLION PER YEAR IN MATCHING FUNDS FOR WORKPLACE SAFETY PROGRAMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION; INCREASING CERTAIN ASSESSMENTS PAID INTO THE ADMINISTRATION FUND; AMENDING SECTION 39-71-201, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AN APPLICABILITY DATE, AND A TERMINATION DATE."	Chuck Hunter	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
<a href="#">HB 212</a>	Eliminate county classification  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING COUNTY CLASSIFICATIONS; REPLACING REFERENCES TO COUNTY CLASSIFICATIONS WITH AMOUNT OF TAXABLE VALUATION OR POPULATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-641, 2-18-702, 7-2-2213, 7-2-2218, 7-2-2222, 7-2-2225, 7-3-1214, 7-3-1306, 7-3-1341, 7-4-2405, 7-4-2601, 7-4-2602, 7-4-2703, 7-4-2705, 7-4-3006, 7-6-2102, 7-6-2401, 7-6-2413, 7-21-3211, 7-22-2142, 7-32-101, 7-32-2102, 7-32-2111, 13-17-101, 15-23-703, 15-24-3001, 15-36-332, 15-39-110, 30-14-122, 39-4-107, 80-7-814, AND 90-6-1001, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-1-2111 AND 7-1-2112, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."	Pat Ingraham	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (H) Local Government
<a href="#">HB 252</a>	Prohibit dept. of transportation from recovering indirect costs for fed grants  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FROM RECOVERING FROM CERTAIN TRANSIT PROVIDERS INDIRECT COSTS FOR U.S. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION GRANTS; AND AMENDING SECTION 17-1-106, MCA."	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 02/07/2011; 3:00 pm, Rm 102
<a href="#">HB 290</a>	Generally revise laws governing public road access  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE RESTRICTION OF PUBLIC ACCESS ON CERTAIN ROADS OR RIGHTS-OF-WAY USED BY THE PUBLIC UNLESS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS ARE MET."	Jon C Sesso	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
<a href="#">HB 304</a>	Generally revise laws relating to special districts  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS GOVERNING SPECIAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING THAT A SPECIAL DISTRICT MAY ONLY BE CREATED BY REFERENDUM OR PETITION; INCREASING THE PERCENTAGE OF VOTERS OR PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRED FOR A PETITION; PROHIBITING THE BOUNDARIES OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT FROM BEING IDENTICAL TO BOUNDARIES OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNLESS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS ARE MET; CLARIFYING TO WHOM NOTICES OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CREATE A DISTRICT MUST BE SENT; REVISING TIMING OF A PROTEST AND WHO MAY PROTEST CREATION OF A DISTRICT; PROHIBITING CERTAIN USES OF DISTRICT FUNDS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1003, 7-11-1006, 7-11-1007, 7-11-1008, 7-11-1013, 7-11-1021, 7-11-1023, AND 7-11-1024, MCA."	Gordon R Hendrick	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 02/01/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
<a href="#">HB 316</a>	Redistribute certain revenue and income to state general fund  A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF REVENUE AND INCOME; INCREASING THE BALANCE OF THE STATE GENERAL FUND; DECREASING THE BALANCE OF VARIOUS STATE ACCOUNTS AND FUNDS; REDUCING DISTRIBUTIONS TO VARIOUS AGENCIES, COUNTIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TRANSFERRING A PORTION OF THE CORPUS OF THE BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND, THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT FUND, AND THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM FUND TO THE SEVERANCE TAX PERMANENT FUND; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF COAL SEVERANCE TAXES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION TAXES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF METALLIFEROUS MINES LICENSE TAXES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE RESOURCE INDEMNITY AND GROUND WATER ASSESSMENT TAX AND MONEY FROM OPENCUT MINING FEES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF INTEREST INCOME FROM THE RESOURCE INDEMNITY TRUST FUND; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF NURSING FACILITY UTILIZATION FEES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE LODGING FACILITY USE TAX; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF UTILIZATION FEES FOR HOSPITALS AND INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF REVENUE FROM LIQUOR, BEER, WINE, HARD CIDER, AND CIGARETTE TAXES; REVISING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL MINERAL LEASING FUNDS TO COUNTIES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF LIVE CARD GAME AND TABLE PERMIT FEES, BINGO AND KENO TAXES, SPORT TAB TAXES, AND VIDEO GAMBLING MACHINE PERMITS; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIO NOTICE FILING FEES AND EXAMINATION COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SECURITIES REGULATION; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF INSURANCE PREMIUM TAXES AND FEES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE GENETICS PROGRAM FEE AND THE CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY PREMIUM TAX; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF DRIVER'S LICENSE FEES; REVISING THE ALLOCATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT; REVISING THE ALLOCATION TO THE OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION DAMAGE MITIGATION ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-35-108, 15-36-331, 15-37-117, 15-38-106, 15-38-202, 15-60-102, 15-60-210, 15-60-211, 15-65-121, 15-66-102, 15-67-102, 16-1-404, 16-1-406, 16-1-411, 16-11-119, 17-3-240, 17-6-606, 23-5-306, 23-5-409, 23-5-502, 23-5-612, 30-10-115, 30-10-209, 30-10-210, 33-2-708, 33-2-712, 33-28-120, 53-6-149, 61-5-121, 75-1-1101, 82-11-131, AND 82-11-161, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 02/04/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 317B

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<a href="#">HB 317</a>	Sunset statutory appropriations over certain periods	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/26/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING TERMINATION DATES FOR STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS; ELIMINATING THE THREE-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR REVISION OF THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT; PROVIDING AN ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING MANDATED DUTIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-17-105, 5-11-120, 5-11-407, 5-13-403, 7-4-2502, 10-1-108, 10-1-1202, 10-1-1303, 10-2-603, 10-3-203, 10-3-310, 10-3-312, 10-3-314, 10-4-301, 15-1-121, 15-1-218, 15-36-332, 15-37-117, 15-39-110, 15-65-121, 15-70-101, 15-70-369, 15-70-601, 16-11-509, 17-3-106, 17-3-112, 17-3-212, 17-3-222, 17-3-241, 17-6-101, 17-7-502, 18-11-112, 19-3-319, 19-6-404, 19-9-702, 19-13-604, 19-17-301, 19-18-512, 19-19-305, 19-19-506, 19-20-607, 19-21-203, 20-8-107, 20-9-534, 20-9-622, 20-26-1503, 22-3-1004, 23-4-105, 23-5-306, 23-5-409, 23-5-612, 23-7-301, 23-7-402, 37-43-204, 37-51-501, 39-71-503, 41-5-2011, 42-2-105, 44-4-1101, 44-12-206, 44-13-102, 50-4-623, 53-1-109, 53-24-108, 53-24-206, 60-11-115, 61-3-415, 69-3-870, 75-1-1101, 75-5-1108, 75-6-214, 75-11-313, 77-1-108, 77-2-362, 80-2-222, 80-4-416, 80-11-518, 81-10-103, 82-11-161, 87-1-603, 90-1-115, 90-1-203, 90-1-205, 90-1-504, 90-3-1003, 90-9-301, AND 90-9-306, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 319</a>	Require contractors to list special fuel users' permit on bids for govt projects	Walter McNutt	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A PERSON BIDDING ON CERTAIN PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS TO LIST THE PERSON'S SPECIAL FUEL USER'S PERMIT NUMBER ON THE BID, IF APPLICABLE."		
<a href="#">HB 325</a>	Eliminate class 8 business equipment property tax	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 02/02/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REPEALING THE TAX ON CERTAIN BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY CLASSIFIED AS CLASS EIGHT PROPERTY; EXEMPTING FROM PROPERTY TAXES THAT PROPERTY PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED AS CLASS EIGHT BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY; ADJUSTING THE APPROPRIATE TAXABLE VALUE DETERMINATION FOR CLASSIFICATION OF COUNTIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-2111, 15-6-141, 15-6-156, 15-6-158, 15-6-202, 15-6-207, 15-6-219, 15-6-228, 15-8-301, 15-23-101, 15-24-301, 15-24-303, 15-24-2101, 15-24-2102, 15-24-3001, AND 76-6-109, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 15-1-112, 15-6-138, 15-6-220, 15-24-2401, 15-24-2402, 15-24-2403, 15-24-2404, AND 15-24-2405, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 328</a>	Include dispatchers in sheriffs' retirement system	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS, ALSO KNOWN AS DISPATCHERS, FROM THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-101, 19-7-301, AND 19-7-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 332</a>	Restore the right of a fully informed jury	Bob Wagner	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A JURY MAY JUDGE BOTH THE FACTS AND THE LAW APPLICABLE TO A CIVIL OR CRIMINAL JUDICIAL PROCEEDING; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 25-7-102, 25-7-302, 26-1-201, AND 46-16-103, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 333</a>	Include bank repossessions in property reappraisal comparables	Scott Reichner	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 02/03/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO INCLUDE SALES OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY THAT HAS BEEN SOLD BECAUSE OF NONPAYMENT OF MORTGAGE WHEN USING THE COMPARABLE SALES METHOD OF DETERMINING MARKET VALUE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY; AMENDING SECTION 15-8-111, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 334</a>	Generally revise workers' compensation	Scott Reichner	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 01/31/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS; PROVIDING FOR CLOSURE OF CLAIMS; PROVIDING A PROCESS TO REOPEN MEDICAL CLAIMS; ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND MEDICAL REVIEW PANEL; REVISING PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY DEFINITION AND BENEFITS; CLARIFYING WHAT CONSTITUTES COURSE AND SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT; ALLOWING RETROACTIVE BENEFIT PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN WORKERS; PROVIDING FOR SETTLEMENTS OF MEDICAL CLAIMS; PROVIDING FOR INSURER DESIGNATION OF TREATING PHYSICIANS; PROVIDING PAY SCALES FOR TREATING PHYSICIANS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; PROVIDING CERTAIN LIMITATIONS ON MEDICAL PAY SCHEDULES FOR THE BIENNIUM; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-105, 39-71-116, 39-71-118, 39-71-225, 39-71-315, 39-71-320, 39-71-407, 39-71-703, 39-71-704, 39-71-711, 39-71-721, 39-71-736, 39-71-741, 39-71-1011, 39-71-1101, 39-71-1102, AND 39-71-1106, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		
<a href="#">HB 338</a>	Revise the document standards law	John Esp	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING STANDARDS AND FEES FOR DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED TO COUNTY CLERKS FOR RECORDING; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2636 AND 7-4-2637, MCA."		

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 340</a>	Require reappraisal of certain property annually	Dick Barrett	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 02/03/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL REAPPRAISAL OF AGRICULTURAL LAND, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND FOREST LAND BEGINNING IN 2016; PROVIDING THAT A PORTION OF CLASS FOUR PROPERTY IS REAPPRAISED EACH YEAR; PROVIDING THAT THE VALUE OF CLASS FOUR PROPERTY THAT IS NOT REAPPRAISED IN A YEAR IS ADJUSTED BY USING STANDARD MARKET MODELING, INCOME, OR COST METHODS TO ESTIMATE CURRENT YEAR MARKET VALUE FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES; CLARIFYING THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS; REVISING THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF FOREST LANDS TAXATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-6-134, 15-6-222, 15-7-102, 15-7-103, 15-7-111, 15-7-112, 15-7-131, 15-7-139, 15-7-201, 15-8-111, 15-10-420, 15-15-102, 15-16-101, 15-44-103, AND 77-1-208, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 15-6-193, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
<a href="#">HB 351</a>	Treasure state endowment appropriations and transfers to the general fund	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 02/01/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THROUGH THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING GRANTS FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PLACING CONDITIONS UPON GRANTS AND FUNDS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR PRELIMINARY INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITIES FOR REGIONAL WATER PROJECTS; REQUIRING THE TRANSFER OF MONEY FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT AND THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE STATE GENERAL FUND; REVISING GRANT CONDITIONS AND RANKING PROCEDURES; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 90-6-703 AND 90-6-710, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 359</a>	Revise workers' compensation law on settlements & lump-sum payments	Gordon Vance	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Business and Labor
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW PERTAINING TO SETTLEMENTS AND LUMP-SUM PAYMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-703, 39-71-721, AND 39-71-741, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 366</a>	Revise county interim zoning law	Matthew Rosendale	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING COUNTY INTERIM ZONING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES; REQUIRING A COUNTY TO INITIATE A STUDY OR INVESTIGATION TO VERIFY THE EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY; LIMITING A RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO 182 DAYS FROM THE DATE IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE; ELIMINATING THE SPECIFICATION OF EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR THE EXTENSION OF A RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION; PROHIBITING THE EXTENSION OF A RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION IF REAL PROPERTY OWNERS REPRESENTING 20% OF THE TITLED PROPERTY OWNERSHIP PROTEST THE EXTENSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 375</a>	Reduce certain general fund transfers	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 02/04/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING TRANSFERS FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND; REDUCING TRANSFERS TO CERTAIN ACCOUNTS, ENTITIES, AND RECIPIENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-122, 17-1-511, 77-1-108, 87-2-801, AND 87-2-803, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HJ 3</a>	Interim study of interoperability for public safety communications in MT	Edith McClafferty	(H) Resolution Failed*
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF FUNDING OPTIONS FOR THE STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM.		
<a href="#">HJ 4</a>	Resolution opposing designation of national monuments without state's consent	Ken Peterson	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OPPOSING THE DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS IN MONTANA WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR.		
<a href="#">SB 1</a>	Amend assessment of rural special improvement districts	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 01/13/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING RECALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT ASSESSABLE TO EACH LOT, TRACT, OR PARCEL IN A RURAL SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IF THE NUMBER OF LOTS, TRACTS, OR PARCELS CHANGES; AMENDING SECTION 7-12-2151, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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<a href="#">SB 8</a>	Allow local governing body to require public water and sewer systems	Terry Murphy	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE AUTHORITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REQUIRE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS AND PUBLIC SEWER SYSTEMS FOR SUBDIVISIONS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-504, 76-3-601, AND 76-3-604, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 14</a>	Revise definitions for motor vehicle disposal, recycling	Dave Lewis	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Highways & Transportation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DEFINED TERMS FOR LAWS GOVERNING MOTOR VEHICLE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL; AND AMENDING SECTION 75-10-501, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 17</a>	Require admin of detention facility by sheriff, chief of police or dept of corr	Jim Shockley	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT DETENTION CENTERS MAY BE ADMINISTERED ONLY BY A SHERIFF, A CHIEF OF POLICE, AN ADMINISTRATOR OPERATING A PRIVATE DETENTION CENTER, OR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-2120, 7-32-2121, 7-32-2201, 7-32-2204, AND 7-32-2241, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 18</a>	Provide sheriff sole authority to hire/fire detention/law enforcement officers	Jim Shockley	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH A DETENTION CENTER, OTHER THAN A PRIVATE DETENTION CENTER, IS LOCATED HAS SOLE AUTHORITY TO HIRE AND FIRE DETENTION STAFF; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-8-2231, 7-32-2123, 7-32-2201, 7-32-2204, AND 7-32-2234, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 58</a>	Lengthen time DNA evidence must be preserved in certain cases	Lynda Moss	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed—(S) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT LENGTHENING THE TIME PERIOD FOR WHICH BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE MUST BE PRESERVED AFTER A CONVICTION HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR CERTAIN FELONY CRIMINAL OFFENSES; PROVIDING A MINIMUM TIME PERIOD FOR WHICH BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE MUST BE PRESERVED IN CERTAIN FELONY CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS WHEN A CONVICTION HAS NOT BEEN OBTAINED; AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF EVIDENTIARY ITEMS THAT ARE IMPRACTICAL TO STORE IF PORTIONS OF THE ITEMS SUFFICIENT TO PERMIT FUTURE DNA TESTING ARE PRESERVED; AMENDING SECTION 46-21-111, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 91</a>	Update postal service requirements for proposed cities and towns	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 01/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING POSTAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPOSED CITIES AND TOWNS; AMENDING SECTION 7-2-4101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 98</a>	Exempt nonproductive land within agricultural land parcel from taxation	John Brenden	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING AN EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, FOR NONPRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURAL LAND; REQUIRING AN APPLICATION FOR THE EXEMPTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 108</a>	Revise policy for management of large predators	Debby Barrett	(S) Transmitted to House
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION WITH CERTAIN COUNTY GOVERNMENTS IN PROPOSED STATE AND FEDERAL POLICY DECISIONS REGARDING LARGE PREDATORS AND LARGE GAME SPECIES; AMENDING SECTION 87-1-217, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 150</a>	Provide for protection of rights through actions against public officials	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 01/21/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CIVIL ACTIONS FOR THE VINDICATION OF VIOLATIONS OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS AND DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE NONPAYMENT OF COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES; CREATING THE OFFENSE OF OFFICIAL OPPRESSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 2-9-305, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 174</a>	Prohibit state funds for movement or relocation of bison to Spotted Dog WMA	Gene Vuckovich	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 02/01/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS FROM EXPENDING ANY FUNDS ON THE RELOCATION OR TRANSPLANTATION OF WILD BUFFALO OR BISON ON THE SPOTTED DOG WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA; AMENDING SECTION 87-1-201, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 188</a>	Eliminate and revise statutes related to Administration boards & councils	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING AND ELIMINATING BOARDS AND COUNCILS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION; REVISING THE NAME, MEMBERSHIP, AND DUTIES OF THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BOARD; ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF COUNTY PRINTING, THE ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND THE LAND INFORMATION ADVISORY COUNCIL; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-6-503, 2-15-1021, 2-17-506, 2-17-512, 2-17-513, 2-17-514, 2-17-515, 2-17-521, 2-17-532, 2-17-1102, 18-7-401, 18-7-404, 18-7-405, 90-1-403, AND 90-1-404, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 2-15-1026, 2-17-1105, 18-7-402, 18-7-403, 90-1-405, AND 90-1-406, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		

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<a href="#">SB 191</a>	Require septic system disclosure on property sale	Ron Erickson	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A SEPTIC SYSTEM DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ON REAL ESTATE DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 217</a>	Revise award of costs to enforce constitutional right-to-know	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 01/28/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT THE EXISTING RIGHT TO ATTORNEY FEES AND COSTS IN A LEGAL ACTION TO OBTAIN A DOCUMENT OR TO HAVE ACCESS TO A PUBLIC MEETING APPLIES TO THE PARTY SEEKING THE DOCUMENT OR ACCESS; CLARIFYING THAT THE RIGHT TO COSTS AND FEES APPLIES TO AN APPEAL FROM A DECISION OF A DISTRICT COURT; AMENDING SECTION 2-3-221, MCA; AND PROVIDING APPLICABILITY DATES."		
<a href="#">SB 219</a>	Revise laws relating to property tax protest	Gary Branae	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 02/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE PROVISIONS RELATED TO ACCESS TO PROTESTED PROPERTY TAXES; REVISING THE PROVISIONS RELATED TO A SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ELECTION ON WHETHER TO WAIVE THE DISTRICT'S RIGHT TO RECEIVE ITS PORTION OF THE PROTESTED TAXES UPON SETTLEMENT OF THE TAX PROTEST; PROVIDING THAT THE ELECTION APPLIES ONLY TO CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROPERTY; ALLOWING LOCAL TAXING JURISDICTIONS TO ACCESS PROTESTED TAXES OF CENTRALLY ASSESSED INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY; REVISING THE CALCULATION OF GUARANTEED TAX BASE AID FOR A DISTRICT THAT ELECTS TO WAIVE ITS RIGHT TO RECEIVE ITS PORTION OF CENTRALLY ASSESSED PROTESTED TAXES; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-402 AND 15-1-409, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 235</a>	Allow admissibility of seat belt use as evidence in civil cases	Jon Sonju	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 02/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT EVIDENCE OF SEAT BELT USE OR FAILURE TO USE A SEAT BELT IS ADMISSIBLE AS EVIDENCE IN CIVIL ACTIONS FOR WRONGFUL DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE USE OR OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-13-106, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 243</a>	General revision of workers' compensation law	Ryan Zinke	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS; PROVIDING A PROCESS FOR CLOSING WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS; OUTLINING CONDITIONS FOR REOPENING AND MEDIATING A CLAIM; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS TO THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT; REDUCING THE TIME FOR INSURERS TO ACCEPT OR DENY A CLAIM; REVISING THE PROCESS FOR PROVIDING COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES FOR DISPUTED MEDICAL BENEFITS AWARDED BY A COURT; PROVIDING SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FOR IMPAIRMENT RATINGS AND ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT TO CHANGE GUIDANCE BY RULE; EXTENDING CERTAIN BENEFITS UPON CERTIFICATION OF LOSS COST RATIO REDUCTIONS; ALLOWING RETROACTIVE BENEFIT PAYMENTS TO CERTAIN WORKERS; REVISING MEDICAL CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND LUMP-SUM PAYMENTS; REVISING VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES AND TERMS TO ASSIST AN EMPLOYEE IN STAYING AT WORK OR RETURNING TO WORK; ALLOWING THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG INTERESTED PARTIES; CREATING A STAY-AT-WORK/RETURN-TO-WORK ASSISTANCE FUND AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FUND; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-116, 39-71-118, 39-71-407, 39-71-606, 39-71-611, 39-71-612, 39-71-614, 39-71-703, 39-71-704, 39-71-711, 39-71-712, 39-71-721, 39-71-736, 39-71-737, 39-71-741, 39-71-1011, 39-71-1025, AND 39-71-1031, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		
<a href="#">SB 249</a>	Increase insurance payments for mammography coverage	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SETTING THE MINIMUM INSURANCE PAYMENT FOR MAMMOGRAPHY EXAMINATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-704, 33-22-132, 33-22-1827, AND 33-31-102, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 264</a>	Revise junk vehicle law	Greg Hinkle	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT CERTAIN ACTIVITIES INVOLVING JUNK VEHICLES DO NOT REQUIRE MOTOR VEHICLE WRECKING FACILITY OR MOTOR VEHICLE GRAVEYARD LICENSING; AND AMENDING SECTION 75-10-511, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 265</a>	Reduce property taxes on new construction for use of gray water systems	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Taxation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TAX ABATEMENT FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL GRAY WATER SYSTEMS AND COMMON GRAY WATER AND POTABLE WATER SYSTEMS; ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RESIDENCES AND FOR A MINIMUM NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS TO QUALIFY; PROVIDING FOR THE ABATEMENT DURING CONSTRUCTION AND FOR 10 YEARS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		

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HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Robert Mehlhoff	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Robert Mehlhoff	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Bill McChesney	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/31/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Tony Belcourt	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/21/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Jon Sesso	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/21/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/20/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 10	Long-range information technology appropriations	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/14/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 12	Provide one-year jurisdiction for misdemeanor DUI/BAC offenses	Mike Menahan	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Cynthia Hiner	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 16	Allow public disclosure of certain information in residential realty transfer	Dick Barrett	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
HB 32	Revise laws regarding general appropriations bills	Ken Peterson	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/17/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 33	Provide that any amount of dangerous drugs is impaired driving per se	Ken Peterson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Judiciary
HB 34	Split DPHHS Tobacco Settlement Fund	Trudi Schmidt	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/11/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 35	Eliminate DPHHS reduction of Medicaid physician reimbursement rate	Trudi Schmidt	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 36	Clarify commitment laws relating to people with developmental disabilities	Trudi Schmidt	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 40	Changing the standard for adoption of administrative rules	Ken Peterson	(H) Segregated from Committee of the Whole Report
HB 41	Amend law relating to designation of local government auditor	Wayne Stahl	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
HB 42	Transfer fund balance from coal bed methane account to general fund	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/12/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 46	Revise and clarify the realty transfer act	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 01/18/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 48	Transfer funds between fire suppression fund and general fund	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/12/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102

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HB 49	Authorize the sale of bonds to fund Blackfoot water compact	Betsy Hands	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 02/01/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 53	Consolidate state employee benefit plan requirements	Harry Klock	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 54	Define order & program for certain Department of Livestock functions	Gordon Vance	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation
HB 55	Clarify penalty for speed zone violations	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Transportation
HB 65	Revise payment for court interpretation services	Mike Menahan	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 66	Clarify agency to which the state records committee is attached	Kathy Swanson	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 67	Strengthen ACT laws for treatment of DUI and BAC offenders	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 01/19/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 69	Revise jail penalties for DUI court participation	Mike Menahan	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 80	Revise unemployment insurance law	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 82	Require reporting of complaints on physician practices related to med marijuana	Diane Sands	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 02/04/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 83	Create prescription drug registry	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 01/26/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 88	Allow youth election judges	Franke Wilmer	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 89	Eliminate local registration, disclosure filing for legis, statewide candidates	Pat Ingraham	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Administration
HB 91	Revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 95	Gen revise MT Human Rights Act-Indian preference-subpoenas-attorney fees	Walter McNutt	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 99	Generally revise laws relating to absentee ballots and mail ballots	Pat Ingraham	(H) 2nd Reading Passed
HB 101	Revise sewer and water district finance laws and water authority laws	Margaret MacDonald	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 102	Revise probationary driver's license provisions for DUI court participation	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 01/20/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 106	Provide for a 24/7 sobriety project for impaired driving offenders	Steve Lavin	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 108	Clarify coord of insurance benefits vs. subrogation for state group insur plan	Jon C Sesso	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 110	Generally revise workers' compensation laws	Jeffery W Welborn	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 120	Provide for audio minutes as official minutes	Tom McGillvray	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 124	Create a state-level health insurance exchange	Chuck Hunter	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 02/01/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 131	Clarify responsibilities for expense recovery rel to orphan hazardous materials	Mike Menahan	(H) Transmitted to Senate

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 132	Improve, clarify, and make property tax administration more effective	Brian Hoven	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 142	Require interim committees review of reports and advisory councils for sunset	Diane Sands	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 145	Require resignation of legislative seat prior to taking government job	Ken Peterson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 146	Increasing penalties for DUI	Ken Peterson	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 01/20/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 150	Revise duties of fire district trustees and boards	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 01/27/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 152	Revise proof of residency and identity requirements for voting	Ted Washburn	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 157	Providing refundable income tax credit based on property taxes imposed and paid	Wayne Stahl	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 01/18/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 158	Allow certain physicians in emergency situations to use blinker or red light	Ken Peterson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Transportation
HB 159	Restrict authority of FWP to regulate ammo or firearms for hunting	Cary Smith	(H) Rereferred to Committee– (H) Appropriations
HB 161	Repeal medical marijuana law	Mike Milburn	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 162	Prohibit mixing zones for city wastewater discharge	Wayne Stahl	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Natural Resources
HB 172	Revise laws related to hunting of grizzly bears	Ted Washburn	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 174	Repeal prohibition on firearm sound reduction devices in field	Krayton Kerns	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 175	Submit repeal of Montana Medical Marijuana Act to voters of Montana	Keith Regier	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Human Services
HB 177	Provide for monitoring of wolf diseases	Krayton Kerns	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
HB 179	Disallow unemployment benefits for employee terminated during probation period	James Knox	(H) Committee Executive Action— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Business and Labor
HB 180	Revise close of voter registration	Champ Edmunds	(H) 2nd Reading Passed
HB 181	Allow condo unit to be individually counted towards municipal zoning protest	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 01/13/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 182	Revise bond requirements for public schools	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 183	Provide for high deductible health insurance thru reimbursements and tax credits	Cary Smith	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Human Services
HB 187	Provide for Montana-made wooden products in highway and road specs	Pat Connell	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 194	Revise criminal accountability for DUI and negligent vehicular homicide	Daniel Salomon	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Judiciary
HB 196	Provide that Dept. of Commerce assist local gov't with fed land management props	Pat Connell	(H) Rereferred to Committee– (H) Appropriations



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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 197	Constitutional amendment allowing legislature to change retirement plans	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/26/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 200	Provide for landlord tenant actions in small claims court	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Judiciary
HB 201	Allow employees to keep firearms in vehicle in workplace parking lot	Wendy Warburton	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 203	Allow evidence of other crimes in prosecution of sexual offenses	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/07/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 204	Allow any school board trustee of certain districts to preside over board	Daniel Salomon	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Education and Cultural Resources
HB 211	Revise laws relating to municipal general obligation bonds	Pat Ingraham	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (H) Local Government
HB 217	Extend property tax exemption for disabled veterans to include assessments	Mike Miller	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Taxation
HB 226	Revise government records management to exempt personnel files	Kris Hansen	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 230	Transfer board of crime control to corrections; eliminate some FTE's	Steve Gibson	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/25/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 232	Revise Montana environmental policy act for local government consult	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 01/19/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 239	Mandated benefits review by Insurance Commissioner for Legislature	Cary Smith	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 242	Revise school and municipal elections with primary elections	Mike Miller	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 01/25/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 243	Revise laws on uninsured motorists	Douglas Kary	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 01/24/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 258	Revise definition of guest ranch	Champ Edmunds	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 259	Revise motor vehicle laws regarding intersections	Cleve Loney	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 260	Revise state spending for wildland fire suppression	Tom Burnett	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Natural Resources
HB 262	Extend requirement for emergency medical service grant program	Diane Sands	(H) Hearing – (H) Appropriations 01/24/2011; 2:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 263	Revise county water and sewer district assessment law	Gordon Vance	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 02/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 264	Allow any person to file complaint with insurance commissioner	Gordon Vance	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 02/04/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 265	Prohibit insurer from disregarding cost item identified by estimating system	Gordon Vance	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 02/04/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 269	Provide for "blue alert" system regarding violent offenders	Steve Lavin	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 271	Exception to concealed weapon offense if eligible to apply	Krayton Kerns	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 273	Generally revise roadway access laws	Robert Mehlhoff	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed—(H) Agriculture
HB 274	Provide that employment of an unauthorized alien is unlawful	David Howard	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 01/26/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 275	Provide offset of personal consumption expenses in survival actions	Scott Reichner	(H) Rereferred to Committee— (H) Business and Labor
HB 276	Revise automated traffic enforcement systems for school buses	Tony Belcourt	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Transportation
HB 277	Provide for regulation of golf cart operation	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 283	Allow gender to be considered in certain insurance coverage	Liz Bangerter	(H) Committee Executive Action— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Business and Labor
HB 284	Discontinue state employee efforts related to federal health care reform	Tom Burnett	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Human Services
HB 292	Constitutional referendum amending right to a clean and healthful environment	Dan Kennedy	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (H) Judiciary
HB 293	Provide tax exempt status for certain land owned by veterans' organizations	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 01/28/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 295	Defining and recording wind energy rights	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 301	Allow public officials to close meeting for contract negotiation strategy	James Knox	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 303	Revise surface owner notification and compensation laws for mining	Kelly Flynn	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Agriculture
HB 305	Remove property tax exemption for hospitals other than critical access hospitals	Keith Regier	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Taxation
HB 306	Eliminate requirement for notary public to keep and maintain a journal	Tom Berry	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Administration
HB 307	Prohibit building codes from requiring some mandatory sprinkler systems	Tom Burnett	(H) Committee Executive Action— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Business and Labor
HB 308	Constitutional amendment for property tax valuation on acquisition value	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 02/03/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 310	Clarify initiatives language	Joanne Blyton	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 311	Revise penalty for fraudulent workers' compensation claims	Randy Brodehl	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 01/28/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 315	Revise historic traction boiler inspection and traction license requirements	Margaret MacDonald	(H) Committee Executive Action— Bill Passed— (H) Business and Labor
HB 322	Provide enforcement of unlicensed practice	Kathy Swanson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
HB 323	Revise Board of Research and Commercialization	Kathy Swanson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 330	Require voter registration forms to provide option for permanent absentee ballot	Bryce Bennett	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 331	State assistance for economic damage by brucellosis	David Howard	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 02/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 352	Revise laws relating to water quality standards and provide alternatives	Ryan Osmundson	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 355	Award attorney fees and costs for person found not guilty for self defense	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 360	Criminalize passengers failure to report certain motor vehicle accidents	Daniel Salomon	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 362	Provide for budget sessions and general sessions of legislature	Ken Peterson	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 02/07/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 364	Revise laws related to natural resource permitting	Alan Hale	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 365	Revise laws regarding involuntary commitment	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 367	Revise motor vehicle laws	Gary MacLaren	(H) Committee Executive Action— Bill Passed— (H) Business and Labor
HB 368	Allow keeping firearm in parked vehicle or while on employer's business	Wendy Warburton	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 370	Increase motor vehicle fee for state parks and Virginia & Nevada Cities	Carolyn Squires	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
HB 371	Revise statutes on practice of law	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/07/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 373	Revising laws relating to county water and sewer district boards	Lila Walter Evans	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 02/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 378	Provide criteria for pay equity and dispute processes	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 02/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 379	Generally revise search warrant requirements	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 380	Revise laws related to water and waste water systems and districts	Mark Blasdel	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 02/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 381	Criminalize enforcement of certain federal firearms laws	Krayton Kerns	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
HB 384	Revise carrying concealed weapon in prohibited places	Krayton Kerns	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 02/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 388	Statutorily require comparison of spending, budgets & various economic indices	Rob Cook	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
HB 391	Prohibit local initiative from establishing priority of enforcement of state law	Tom Berry	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
HB 393	Revise coal be methane protection act	Bill McChesney	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
HB 395	Consider housing needs in discharge plans from mental health facilities	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Human Services
HB 399	Allow transfer of salvage title work without notary signature	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Business and Labor

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 400	Revise emergency response laws including fee	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
HB 402	Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel	Matthew Rosendale	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
HB 403	Revise cluster development law	Gary MacLaren	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
HB 404	Repeal term limits for state senators and state representatives by referendum	Kris Hansen	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Administration
HB 405	Medical malpractice reform	Janna Taylor	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Business and Labor
HJ 1	Resolution urging federal legislation removing wolf from Endangered Species list	Mike Milburn	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Fish and Game
HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
HJ 4	Resolution opposing designation of national monuments without state's consent	Ken Peterson	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HJ 9	Interim study of self-governing authority by school boards	James Knox	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Education
SB 12	Repeal obsolete business equipment property tax reimbursement	Ron Erickson	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
SB 21	Court dismissal of case with no action	Jim Shockley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 22	Allow public disclosure of certain information in commercial realty transfer	Jeff Essmann	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/25/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 24	Revise involuntary commitment of alcoholics	Jim Shockley	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 28	Clarify mental health diversion grant awards are based on admissions to MSH	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 32	Revise interim committee laws	David Wanzenried	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Business and Labor
SB 33	Allow electronic voter registration for qualified electors w/valid drivers' lic	David Wanzenried	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) State Administration
SB 34	Revise interim committees	Jeff Essmann	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (S) State Administration
SB 35	Revise laws related to navigable river beds	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 37	Eliminate statutory physician provider rate increase	Bob Hawks	(S) Hearing – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 01/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317A
SB 38	Revise laws related to state land trust interest and income revenue	Bob Hawks	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 40	Statewide on-call judge for search warrants	Jim Shockley	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary
SB 41	Allow cities to establish courts of record	Jim Shockley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 45	Revise notary laws	Dave Lewis	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request – (S) State Administration
SB 48	Allow special elections to fill vacancies in US Senate	Gary Branae	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) State Administration

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 49	Revise size of trailer license plates	Gary Branae	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Transportation
SB 50	Eliminate jail time for certain misdemeanor offenses	Steven Gallus	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary
SB 53	Amend MAPA to change required language of an e-notice of proposed rule	Joe Balyeat	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 55	Implement the federal military and overseas empowerment act	Larry Jent	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 66	Revise laws governing establishment of community college districts	Bob Lake	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 68	Clarify duty of driver in accident to remain at the scene	Larry Jent	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 72	Revise contracting authority for community corrections programs	Kim Gillan	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 75	Allow flexible hours for local property tax operations	Jon Sonju	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 82	Provide for a primary seat belt law	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 01/27/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 84	Revise deposit of fish and wildlife fines, restitution, damages	John Brenden	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 89	Reduce DEQ and local sanitation review times	Art Wittich	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (S) Natural Resources
SB 91	Update postal service requirements for proposed cities and towns	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 01/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 93	Revise the composition of the board of oil and gas conservation	Ron Erickson	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Energy and Telecommunications
SB 95	Revise notary stamp requirements	Jim Shockley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 96	Revise the Coal Board membership	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Energy and Telecommunications 01/11/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 98	Exempt nonproductive land within agricultural land parcel from taxation	John Brenden	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
SB 102	Revise law on payment of subcontractors on public contracts	Gene Vuckovich	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 106	Compel participation in lawsuit on health care reform	Jason Priest	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 107	Allow park rangers to carry firearms	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Fish and Game
SB 110	Exclude land occupied by county road from taxation	John Brenden	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 01/19/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 111	Limit noneconomic damages in motor vehicle accidents	Jon Sonju	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 01/25/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 113	Transfer statutory excess retirement funds in trust by school districts to TRS	Larry Jent	(S) Hearing – (S) State Administration 01/19/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 114	Sheriff must authorize federal employee arrest, search, or seizure	Greg Hinkle	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary

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No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 117	Coordination between local government, schools, districts and federal government	Greg Hinkle	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 120	Require publishing of appointed members to all state agency boards	John Brenden	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 121	Limiting the number of consecutive terms for jury duty	David Wanzenried	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request – (S) Judiciary
SB 122	Require passage of revenue estimating resolution	David Wanzenried	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
SB 127	Require agencies to summarize rules and conform rules to law	Debby Barrett	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) State Administration
SB 128	Exempt fire department emergency wells from permitting	Bob Lake	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 129	Referendum to limit state employee salaries and benefits	Dave Lewis	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 02/03/2011; 5:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 131	Allow business improvement district to make an assessment on a percentage basis	Cliff Larsen	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request – (S) Taxation
SB 142	Revise public notice of predator transplantation	Debby Barrett	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 143	Revise state grizzly bear policy	Debby Barrett	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 147	Allow public defender access to jailed persons prior to court appointment	Tom Facey	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary
SB 152	Increase the penalty for sexual assault for second and subsequent offenses	Taylor Brown	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 154	Regulating medical marijuana provider supply system	Dave Lewis	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 155	Revise establishment of election precincts	Bob Hawks	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Local Government
SB 162	Reimburse counties for all costs associated with legislative referenda	David Wanzenried	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Local Government
SB 164	Require consideration of conservation measures for rivers in growth policy	Bob Hawks	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Local Government
SB 170	Revise medical marijuana laws on obtaining certificate for chronic pain	Jeff Essmann	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 01/31/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 171	Revise personal property exempt subject to value limitations	Anders Blewett	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
SB 176	Allow Montana to opt out of fed health care payment of abortions	Rowlie Hutton	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 178	Referendum on opting out of daylight savings time	Terry Murphy	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 182	Eliminate 2 advisory units for board of regents	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed— (S) State Administration
SB 187	Generally revise public defender laws	Jim Shockley	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 196	Address bullying in the workplace	Jonathan Windy Boy	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary
SB 207	Clarify regulation of wild/domestic buffalo/bison as livestock	Frederick Moore	(S) Hearing – (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 01/27/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335

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SB 209	Revise subdivision and platting act	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request – (S) Local Government
SB 212	Clarify FWP authority to manage wild buffalo or bison	Rick Ripley	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 01/27/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 216	Designate the "code of the west" the "code of Montana"	Jim Peterson	(S) Hearing – (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 02/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 233	Generally revise environmental impact laws	Jim Keane	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 234	Generally revise municipal solid waste services	Jon Sonju	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 02/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 236	Revise solid waste laws related to local government	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 02/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 237	Revise laws relating to brucellosis surveillance	Ron Arthun	(S) Hearing – (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 02/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 238	Increase jurisdictional limit for justice , city, and small claims courts	Anders Blewett	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/04/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 239	Temporarily prohibiting DEQ enforcement authority for public water systems	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 02/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 240	Revise laws related to street lighting improvement districts	Lynda Moss	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 02/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 241	Revise calculation of physician reimbursement for Medicaid services	Jason Priest	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 242	Lower renewal fee for independent contractors	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/04/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 251	Prohibit distracted driving	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 02/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 253	Eliminate certain individual and corporation tax credits	Bob Lake	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Taxation
SB 257	Referendum to revise election laws	Joe Balyeat	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Administration
SB 261	Constitutional referendum to permit annual sessions	Jeff Essmann	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Taxation

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