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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

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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

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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 bills are highlighted green** and **priority bills are highlighted blue**. Bills that we are **watching are simply bolded**.

Monday, March 14

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	137	HB 600	Revise criminal laws re: endangering children with schedule I drugs	Ron Ehli
9:00 AM	137	SB 324	Revise consumer protection laws and settlement proceeds	Joe Balyeat
9:00 AM	152	SB 266	Revise local coal tax gross proceeds tax abatement	Alan Olson
9:00 AM	152	SB 172	Classify energy storage equipment and compressed air energy storage for taxation	Bob Lake
9:00 AM	152	SB 219	Revise laws relating to property tax protest	Gary Branae
9:00 AM	455	HB 513	Require state to back transactions of state business with gold & silver coin	Bob Wagner
10:00 AM	303	HB 18	Vehicular homicide under the influence - minor prosecuted as adult	Janna Taylor
10:00 AM	303	HB 95	Gen revise MT Human Rights Act-Indian preference-subpoenas-attorney fees	Walter McNutt
3:00 PM	405	HB 516	Limiting local ordinances to state protected classes	Kris Hansen
3:00 PM	405	HB 338	Revise the document standards law	John Esp
3:00 PM	405	HB 181	Allow condo unit to be individually counted towards municipal zoning protest	Elsie Arntzen
3:00 PM	405	HB 542	Revise subdivision and platting act	John Esp
3:00 PM	422	HB 536	Repeal registration for sale of grizzly parts	Kelly Flynn
3:00 PM	422	HB 225	Clarify environmental review requirements for snowmobile trail programs	Jeffery W Welborn
3:00 PM	303	SB 403	Generally revise K-12 school funding	Llew Jones
3:00 PM	317	HB 25	Revise law related to medical assistance programs	Don Roberts
3:00 PM	335	HB 135	Provide benefit and funding changes to sheriffs retirement system	Carolyn Squires
3:00 PM	335	HB 122	Provide for benefit and funding changes to public employees retirement system	Sue Malek
3:00 PM	335	HB 346	Revise monthly pension payable to volunteer firefighter	Bill Beck

Tuesday, March 15

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	172	SB 351	Revise laws governing managed care	Rick Ripley
8:00 AM	137	SB 185	Abolish death penalty and replace with life in prison w/o parole	David E Wanzenried
8:00 AM	152	HB 562	Require notification of local governments and schools of urban renewal district	Elsie Arntzen
8:00 AM	152	HB 564	Requiring urban renewal districts not supplant municipal services	Elsie Arntzen
8:00 AM	152	HB 561	Revise terminology and criteria for factors in urban renewal districts	Elsie Arntzen
8:00 AM	152	HB 560	Increase public involvement in urban renewal areas	Elsie Arntzen
8:00 AM	405	SB 399	Decouple from federal domestic production deduction	Christine Kaufmann
8:00 AM	405	SB 398	Adding a high income personal income tax bracket to increase progressivity	Christine Kaufmann
8:00 AM	405	HB 333	Include bank repossessions and other sales in property reappraisal comparables	Scott Reichner

Tuesday, March 15 Continued . . .

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	422	HB 80	Revise unemployment insurance law	Elsie Arntzen
9:00 AM	422	HB 179	Disallow unemployment benefits for certain employee terminations	James Knox
9:00 AM	422	SB 389	Revising use and tax of alcohol based ingredients by brewers and distillers	Kendall Van Dyk
9:00 AM	317	SB 328	Require PERS new hires to be in DC plan	Dave Lewis
9:00 AM	317	SB 282	Provide for student scholarship organizations and tax credits for donations	Dave Lewis
9:00 AM	303	HB 141	Revise makeup, operation, procedures of the Board of Pardons and Parole	Ken Peterson
9:00 AM	303	HB 230	Transfer board of crime control to corrections	Steve Gibson
9:00 AM	303	HB 446	Address homeless prevention for people under Dept. of Corrections supervision	Ellie Boldman Hill
3:00 PM	472	SB 384	Eliminate certain committees and boards in Dept. of Agriculture	Kendall Van Dyk
3:00 PM	472	SJ 14	Resolution urging improved Dept of Livestock communication on bison control	Bob Hawks
3:00 PM	472	SB 296	Increase penalty for each violation of dept. of ag quarantine	Bruce Tutvedt
3:00 PM	152	HB 607	Clarifying procedure for sale of B10 nonresident big game combo licenses	Jeffery W Welborn
3:00 PM	152	SB 43	Revise the primitive parks act	Jim Keane
3:00 PM	152	SB 160	Allow off-highway vehicles on designated roads/trails in state parks & FASs	Chas Vincent
3:00 PM	152	SB 118	Revise laws on leasing of outfitter/guide equipment to include contracting	Larry Jent
3:00 PM	172	SB 180	Substitute term criminal mischief damage for damage to rental property	Jon Sonju
3:00 PM	172	SB 183	Revise interim zoning laws	Taylor Brown
3:00 PM	172	SB 191	Require septic system disclosure on property sale	Ron Erickson
3:00 PM	172	SB 91	Update postal service requirements for proposed cities and towns	Taylor Brown
3:00 PM	335	HB 166	Revise weed control laws	John Esp
3:00 PM	335	HB 133	Provide for court orders, fines, liens for noncompliance with noxious weed laws	Daniel R Salomon
3:00 PM	317	HB 295	Defining and recording wind energy rights	Rob Cook
3:00 PM	317	HB 291	Provide refund of utility extension costs when subsequent users connect to line	Jon C Sesso
3:00 PM	422	HB 172	Revise laws related to hunting of grizzly bears	Ted Washburn
3:00 PM	422	HB 144	Revise FWP licensing laws related to large predators	Ted Washburn
3:00 PM	405	HJ 17	Resolution supporting Monchy Morgan extended-hour port	Wayne Stahl
3:00 PM	405	HB 401	Revise definition of rotation area in tow truck act	Elsie Arntzen
3:00 PM	405	HB 584	Allow use of older license plates on motor vehicles	Robert Mehlhoff
3:00 PM	405	HB 523	Generally revise the tow truck act	Elsie Arntzen

Wednesday, March 16

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	137	SB 153	Revise guardian ad litem laws to allow judges' discretion in appointed counsel	Larry Jent
8:00 AM	137	SB 354	Provide for Uniform Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act	Larry Jent
8:00 AM	137	SB 276	Generally revise deviate sexual conduct laws	Tom Facey
8:00 AM	137	SB 76	Provide parole for those sentenced to custody of DPHHS and in state facility	Larry Jent

Wednesday, March 16 Continued . . .

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	152	HB 512	Portion of new coal severance and oil & gas production taxes to school flex	Jerry O'Neil
8:00 AM	152	HB 240	Revise eminent domain laws	Kelly Flynn
8:00 AM	sab	HB 262	Extend requirement for emergency medical service grant program	Diane Sands
8:00 AM	303	HB 496	Allowing law enforcement agencies to destroy certain firearms they possess	Mike Menahan
8:00 AM	303	HB 384	Revise carrying concealed weapon in prohibited places	Krayton Kerns
8:00 AM	303	HB 271	Exception to concealed weapon offense if eligible to apply	Krayton Kerns
8:00 AM	303	HB 174	Repeal prohibition on firearm sound reduction devices in field	Krayton Kerns
8:00 AM	405	HB 460	Revise unit ownership act affecting townhouses	Ken Peterson
8:00 AM	405	SB 396	Provide for nonresident and resident tax equity on business interest sales	Kim Gillan
8:00 AM	405	SB 395	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich
9:00 AM	422	HB 531	Revise civil liability for multiple defendants	Steve Fitzpatrick
9:00 AM	422	HB 258	Revise definition of guest ranch	Champ Edmunds
9:00 AM	422	HB 555	Providing for nonduplication of health insurance benefits	Steve Fitzpatrick
9:00 AM	317	HB 90	Amend Montana mortgage broker and mortgage lender licensing act	Walter McNutt
3:00 PM	137	HB 603	Provide for Public Charter Schools	Mark Blasdel
3:00 PM	172	SB 305	Revise energy policy	Verdell Jackson
3:00 PM	172	SB 254	Provide state eminent domain authority for federal lands	Rowlie Hutton
3:00 PM	172	SB 225	Revise laws governing qualifying small power production facility purchases	Jason Priest
3:00 PM	172	SB 206	Generally revise laws related to energy transmission siting	Llew Jones
3:00 PM	152	SB 284	Revise laws to require reporting of insurance options chosen by legislators	Anders Blewett
3:00 PM	152	SB 132	Allow audiologist to sell hearing aid without hearing aid dispenser license	Jeff Essmann
3:00 PM	152	SB 210	Provide penalties for certain communications for dangerous drug prescriptions	Bruce Tutvedt
3:00 PM	472	SB 292	Regulate underground coal gasification	Alan Olson
3:00 PM	472	SB 9	Authorize use of petroleum mixing zones for petroleum release sites	Jim Keane
3:00 PM	472	SB 327	Require DNRC to assess each dam owned or controlled for hydroelectric potential	Cliff Larsen
3:00 PM	472	SB 297	Provide a separate process for coal beneficiation	Jeff Essmann
3:00 PM	472	SB 286	Revise certain coal prospecting procedures	Alan Olson
3:00 PM	455	SB 213	Designate Montana Highway 1 Pintler Veterans' Memorial Scenic Highway	Gene Vuckovich
3:00 PM	455	SB 111	Limit noneconomic damages in motor vehicle accidents	Jon Sonju
3:00 PM	405	HB 538	Providing for sale of bonds at public or private sale	Ken Peterson
3:00 PM	405	HB 211	Revise laws relating to municipal general obligation bonds	Pat Ingraham
3:00 PM	405	HB 212	Eliminate county classification	Pat Ingraham
3:00 PM	405	HB 123	Revise county and school district budgeting timelines	Edith McClafferty
3:00 PM	317	HB 206	Constitutional amendment on freedom to choose health care coverage	Gary MacLaren
3:00 PM	335	HB 306	Eliminate requirement for notary public to keep and maintain a journal	Tom Berry
3:00 PM	335	HB 528	Revise laws regarding cowboy hall of fame	Frank Smith

Thursday, March 17

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	137	SB 114	Federal law enforcement officers should communicate with sheriff	Greg Hinkle
8:00 AM	137	SB 42	Authorize warrants to obtain blood or breath test in DUI cases	Jim Shockley
8:00 AM	137	SB 15	Create misdemeanor crime of aggravated DUI	Larry Jent
8:00 AM	137	SB 68	Clarify duty of driver in accident to remain at the scene	Larry Jent
9:00 AM	152	HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Roy Hollandsworth
9:00 AM	422	HB 341	Revise interest payments in civil cases	Cary Smith
9:00 AM	422	HB 249	Limit shareholder liability for corporation's acts and debts	Steve Fitzpatrick
9:00 AM	422	HB 342	Revise appeal bonds in civil cases	Cary Smith
9:00 AM	303	HB 448	Enact interstate compact for enforcement of firearms freedom laws	Krayton Kerns
9:00 AM	303	HB 292	Constitutional referendum amending right to a clean and healthful environment	Dan Kennedy
9:00 AM	303	HB 117	Require collection of DNA samples from offenders under interstate compact	Chuck Hunter
3:00 PM	472	SB 216	Designate the "code of the west" the "code of Montana"	Jim Peterson
3:00 PM	472	SB 277	Revise duties of Dept of Livestock re federal beef promotion; beef check off	Frederick Moore
3:00 PM	472	SB 218	Establish procedures related to protected plants	Donald J Steinbeisser
3:00 PM	172	SB 234	Generally revise municipal solid waste services	Jon Sonju
3:00 PM	172	SB 117	Coordination between counties, districts, and federal government	Greg Hinkle
3:00 PM	172	SB 275	Revise laws relating to public cemeteries	Ryan Zinke
3:00 PM	172	SB 236	Revise solid waste laws related to local government	Edward Buttrey
3:00 PM	335	HB 318	Ensure county oversight in movement of publicly-owned wild buffalo or bison	Wendy Warburton
3:00 PM	335	HB 430	Revise laws regarding administration of conservation districts	Cleve J Loney
3:00 PM	335	HB 469	Clarify and simplify name of livestock loss reduction and mitigation board	Christy Clark
3:00 PM	317	HB 593	Revising clean air act mercury rules	Duane Ankney
3:00 PM	317	HB 550	Establish state authority over EPA on regulation of greenhouse gases	Joe Read
3:00 PM	317	HB 479	Provide for microbial conversion for enhanced gas recovery	Sterling Small
3:00 PM	422	HB 335	Provide accompaniment penalty in addition to fish & game privilege loss	Mike Menahan
3:00 PM	422	HB 449	Revise penalties for unlawful introduction of fish	Mark Blasdel
3:00 PM	422	SB 390	Revise laws related to wildlife population management funding	Llew Jones
3:00 PM	422	SB 400	Revise big game licensing laws	Chas Vincent
3:00 PM	405	HB 319	Require contractors to list special fuel users' permit on bids for govt projects	Walter McNutt
3:00 PM	405	HB 229	Revise laws pertaining to commercial vehicles	Walter McNutt
3:00 PM	405	HB 298	Revise GVW laws on trucks	Walter McNutt
3:00 PM	405	HB 517	Revise laws regarding weigh scales	Walter McNutt

Friday, March 18

Time	Room	No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	422	HB 432	Allow banks to offer debt cancellation programs-exempting from insurance law	Tom Berry
9:00 AM	422	SB 331	Generally revise surplus lines insurance law	Larry Jent
9:00 AM	303	HB 492	Prohibit immigration sanctuary policies by local governments	David Howard
9:00 AM	303	HB 185	Ban synthetic marijuana	Tom Berry
9:00 AM	303	HJ 14	Resolution asserting state sovereignty	Michael More
3:00 PM	152	SB 370	Require cost-benefit analysis of mandated health insurance coverage of service	Jason Priest
3:00 PM	152	SB 366	Generally revise welfare laws	Chas Vincent

MACo Resolutions/Legislation

No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
HB 297 LC1431	Extend time frames to preserve historic right of way under environmental policy	2010-07	Tom Berry	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
	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."			
HB 318 LC1049	Ensure county oversight in movement of publicly-owned wild buffalo or bison	2010-01	Wendy Warburton	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock & Irrigation 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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."			
HB 426 LC1283	Revise incorporation laws to coincide with annexation laws	2010-15	Gary MacLaren	S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING WRITTEN CONSENT OF PROPERTY OWNERS FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF LAND TO BE INCLUDED IN A PROPOSED NEW CITY OR TOWN; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-2-4101, MCA."			
SB 144 LC0176	Revise laws governing translocation of bison; prohibit free-roaming bison	2010-14	John Brenden	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
	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."			
SB 183 LC1029	Revise interim zoning laws	2010-09	Taylor Brown	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	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."			
SB 212 LC1052	Clarify FWP authority to manage wild buffalo or bison	2010-14	Rick Ripley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS TO MANAGE WILD BUFFALO OR BISON; ELIMINATING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; REQUIRING A MANAGEMENT PLAN BEFORE WILD BUFFALO OR BISON MAY BE RELEASED OR TRANSPLANTED ONTO PRIVATE OR PUBLIC LAND; AMENDING SECTION 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
SB 248 LC0421	Allow five member county tax appeal board	2010-02	Kim Gillan	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	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."			
SB 358 LC1352	Generally revise tax increment financing districts	2010-19	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING URBAN RENEWAL AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT LAWS; PROVIDING FOR CREATION OF TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS; ALLOWING COUNTIES TO CREATE URBAN RENEWAL AREAS AND TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS AND TO USE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING; ADDING COMPONENTS THAT MUST BE INCLUDED IN AN URBAN RENEWAL PLAN; REMOVING PROVISIONS FOR CREATION OF AND BONDING IN TECHNOLOGY DISTRICTS, AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICTS, AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4202, 7-15-4204, 7-15-4206, 7-15-4208, 7-15-4209, 7-15-4210, 7-15-4211, 7-15-4212, 7-15-4213, 7-15-4215, 7-15-4216, 7-15-4217, 7-15-4218, 7-15-4219, 7-15-4220, 7-15-4221, 7-15-4231, 7-15-4232, 7-15-4233, 7-15-4234, 7-15-4235, 7-15-4237, 7-15-4239, 7-15-4251, 7-15-4252, 7-15-4253, 7-15-4254, 7-15-4255, 7-15-4256, 7-15-4257, 7-15-4258, 7-15-4259, 7-15-4260, 7-15-4261, 7-15-4262, 7-15-4263, 7-15-4264, 7-15-4265, 7-15-4266, 7-15-4267, 7-15-4281, 7-15-4282, 7-15-4283, 7-15-4284, 7-15-4285, 7-15-4286, 7-15-4287, 7-15-4288, 7-15-4289, 7-15-4290, 7-15-4291, 7-15-4292, 7-15-4293, 7-15-4294, 7-15-4301, 7-15-4302, 7-15-4304, 7-15-4305, 7-15-4306, 7-15-4322, 7-15-4323, 7-15-4324, AND 71-3-1506, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-15-4295, 7-15-4296, 7-15-4297, 7-15-4298, 7-15-4299, AND 17-5-820, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
SB 383 LC0865	Define spot zoning	2010-21	Llew Jones	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES FOR ZONING REGULATIONS; REQUIRING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO EVALUATE THE REGULATIONS TO ENSURE THAT THE PROPOSED PROCESS FOR ZONING OR REZONING AN AREA WILL NOT RESULT IN IMPERMISSIBLE SPOT ZONING; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-203, MCA."			

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No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
SJ 6 LC0589	Resolution regarding federal land use policy	Public Lands PS	Alan Olson	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) 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.				
LC0866	Define military affected areas	2010-12	Brian Hoven	(C) Draft Taken Off Hold

MACo Resolutions/Legislation That Missed Transmittal Deadline

No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
HB 130 LC0460	Expand types of elections to be conducted by mail ballot elections	2010-11	Pat Ingraham	(H) Missed Deadline for General Bill Transmittal*
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."				
SB 85 LC0580	Revise commissioners authority on use of county roads	2010-10	Cliff Larsen	(S) Missed Deadline for General Bill Transmittal*
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."				

MACo Priority Watch List

No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Walter McNutt	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
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."			
HB 11	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."			
HB 19	Clarify that the Clean Indoor Air Act applies to smoking of medical marijuana	Diane Sands	(H) Signed by Speaker
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT SMOKING FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE MONTANA CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT INCLUDES THE SMOKING OF MARIJUANA FOR MEDICAL USE; AMENDING SECTION 50-40-103, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 20	Authorize county social host liability ordinances	Gordon R Hendrick	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
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."			

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HB 22	Extend the sunset on wireless 9-1-1 funding for less populated counties	Harry Klock	Chapter Number Assigned
	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."		
HB 26	Clarify the provisions of the entitlement share payment program	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 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."		
HB 28	Revise requirements for septic mixing zones	Walter McNutt	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	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."		
HB 43	Clarifying employer's rights related to employee use of medical marijuana	Gary MacLaren	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/02/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 422
	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."		
HB 56	Generally revise local government entitlement share calculation	Tony Belcourt	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 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."		
HB 61	Allow local jurisdictions to set lower speed limits on unpaved roads	Gary MacLaren	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/02/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	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."		
HB 68	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."		
HB 87	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
HB 105	Provide Insur Comm authority to review and approve health insurance premiums 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."	Robyn Driscoll	(H) Silver Bullet— (H) Second Reading
HB 122	Provide for benefit and funding changes to public employees retirement system 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."	Sue Malek	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 123	Revise county and school district budgeting timelines 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."	Edith McClafferty	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 133	Provide for court orders, fines, liens for noncompliance with noxious weed laws 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."	Daniel R Salomon	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 135	Provide benefit and funding changes to sheriffs retirement system 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."	Carolyn Squires	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 136	Generally revise school funding 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."	Trudi Schmidt	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Education
HB 140	Transfer funds from the economic development special revenue account 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."	Cynthia Hiner	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Approps.
HB 143	Revise Taylor Grazing Act funds distribution; 100% to county general fund 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."	Wayne Stahl	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102

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HB 156	Increase the rate of payment of interment allowance and headstone 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."	Frank Smith	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 166	Revise weed control laws 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."	John Esp	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 170	Revise federal mineral leasing act pass-through funds 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."	Wayne Stahl	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Local Government
HB 187	Provide for Montana-made wooden products in highway and road specs A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND COUNTIES TO USE MONTANA-MADE WOODEN PRODUCTS IN CERTAIN ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS."	Pat Connell	(S) Returned to House with Amendments
HB 212	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	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 252	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	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 316	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 02/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B

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HB 317	Sunset statutory appropriations over certain periods	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 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."		
HB 319	Require contractors to list special fuel users' permit on bids for govt projects	Walter McNutt	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	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."		
HB 325	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."		
HB 333	Include bank repossessions in property reappraisal comparables	Scott Reichner	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	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."		
HB 334	Generally revise workers' compensation	Scott Reichner	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/23/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
	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."		
HB 338	Revise the document standards law	John Esp	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	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."		
HB 340	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."		

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HB 351	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."		
HB 366	Revise county interim zoning law	Matthew Rosendale	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	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."		
HB 375	Reduce certain general fund transfers	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 02/08/2011; 8:00 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."		
HB 495	Revise statutory appropriations and local government entitlement share payments	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS; REDUCING STATUTORY APPROPRIATION DISTRIBUTIONS; CLARIFYING THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT PROGRAM; ELIMINATING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENT SHARE ANNUAL GROWTH FACTOR FOR FISCAL YEARS 2012 AND 2013; REDUCING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENT SHARE FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS; ELIMINATING THE THREE-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR REVISION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENTS; 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."		
HB 503	Revise underground utility laws	Franke Wilmer	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS REGARDING EXCAVATIONS NEAR UNDERGROUND FACILITIES; CREATING AN UNDERGROUND UTILITY SAFETY BOARD; ALLOCATING THE BOARD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY; ESTABLISHING THE BOARD'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; REQUIRING BOARD REVIEW OF DISPUTED CLAIMS; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION CENTERS TO PROVIDE REPORTS; GRANTING THE BOARD RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; ALLOWING FOR THE COLLECTION OF A FEE; ESTABLISHING FINES; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 69-4-501, 69-4-502, 69-4-503, 69-4-504, 69-4-505, 69-4-512, AND 69-4-514, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 69-4-508 AND 69-4-513, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 522	Extend approval of subdivision application to mutually agreed upon time	Douglas Kary	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS REGARDING THE LOCAL REGULATION OF SUBDIVISIONS; AUTHORIZING A GOVERNING BODY TO EXTEND THE APPROVAL OF A SUBDIVISION APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR A MUTUALLY AGREED-UPON PERIOD OF TIME; REQUIRING THE AGREEMENT FOR THE EXTENSION TO BE IN WRITING; PROVIDING THAT A GOVERNING BODY MAY ISSUE MORE THAN ONE EXTENSION; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-3-610."		

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HB 542	Revise subdivision and platting act	John Esp	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE MONTANA SUBDIVISION AND PLATTING ACT; CLARIFYING THE TIME FOR REVIEW OF SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS; REQUIRING INFORMATION FROM A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY TO BE SUPPORTED BY A SCIENTIFIC, PEER-REVIEWED REPORT; PROHIBITING CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY THAT IS OR HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN AN EFFORT TO ACQUIRE OR ASSIST OTHERS IN ACQUIRING AN INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY UNDER REVIEW; PROHIBITING A GOVERNING BODY FROM CONSIDERING THE IMPACT OF A SUBDIVISION UNDER REVIEW IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IMPACTS OF POTENTIAL FUTURE SUBDIVISIONS; PROVIDING THAT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO MITIGATION BY THE SUBDIVIDER MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED NEW INFORMATION; REQUIRING THE DISTRICT COURT TO AWARD REASONABLE COSTS AND ATTORNEY FEES TO A SUBDIVIDER WHO PREVAILS ON APPEAL TO THE DISTRICT COURT; AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-604, 76-3-608, 76-3-615, AND 76-3-625, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 555	Providing for nonduplication of health insurance benefits	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/16/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NONDUPLICATION OF BENEFITS UNDER INDIVIDUAL, GROUP, OR OTHER HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE, INCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLANS; PROVIDING FOR INFORMATION GATHERING FROM INSURED AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; PROVIDING FOR REFUNDS OR CREDITS IF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS RECEIVE DUPLICATE PAYMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-704, 20-15-225, AND 33-22-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HJ 3	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.		
HJ 4	Resolution opposing designation of national monuments without state's consent	Ken Peterson	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
	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.		
SB 1	Amend assessment of rural special improvement districts	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
	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."		
SB 58	Lengthen time DNA evidence must be preserved in certain cases	Lynda Moss	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) 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."		
SB 91	Update postal service requirements for proposed cities and towns	Taylor Brown	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	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."		
SB 98	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."		
SB 108	Revise policy for management of large predators	Debby Barrett	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	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."		
SB 150	Provide for protection of rights through actions against public officials	Art Wittich	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Local Government
	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."		

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SB 174	Prohibit state funds for movement or relocation of bison to Spotted Dog WMA 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."	Gene Vuckovich	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
SB 191	Require septic system disclosure on property sale A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A SEPTIC SYSTEM DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ON REAL ESTATE DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."	Ron Erickson	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 217	Revise award of costs to enforce constitutional right-to-know 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."	Terry Murphy	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 219	Revise laws relating to property tax protest 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."	Gary Branae	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/14/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 243	General revision of workers' compensation law 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."	Ryan Zinke	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 266	Revise local coal tax gross proceeds tax abatement A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE LOCAL ABATEMENT OF THE COAL GROSS PROCEEDS TAX ON COAL PRODUCED BY A NEW OR EXPANDING UNDERGROUND COAL MINE; PROVIDING THAT THE TAX ABATEMENT MAY BE 50% OR LESS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-23-703 AND 15-23-715, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."	Alan Olson	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/14/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 281	Revise laws on county tax levies and definitions for health care facilities A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO LEVY A TAX, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, ON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY IN A HOSPITAL DISTRICT FOR A COUNTY HEALTH CARE FACILITY; AMENDING SECTION 7-6-2512, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."	Taylor Brown	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
SB 283	Revise process for changing county boundaries A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING REAL PROPERTY TO BE MOVED FROM ONE COUNTY TO ANOTHER FOR REASONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY; REQUIRING A PETITION AND REQUIRING THAT THE PETITION CONTAIN CERTAIN INFORMATION; REQUIRING THE PETITIONERS TO MEET CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS; REQUIRING BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN AFFECTED ADJOINING COUNTIES TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UPON RECEIPT OF A PETITION BEFORE AN ELECTION MAY BE HELD; REQUIRING THAT THE PROCESS CEASE IF THE ADJOINING COUNTIES ARE UNABLE TO AGREE ON BOUNDARIES; PROVIDING FOR A VOTE AND FORM OF BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR A PROCESS IF THE ELECTORS VOTE TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES; REQUIRING TRANSFER OF CERTIFIED COPIES OF INDEXES AND LAND RECORD ABSTRACTS AND PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF ASSOCIATED COSTS; ALLOWING A COUNTY TO WHICH PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED TO LEVY A TAX; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF CERTAIN STATE AGENCIES; PROVIDING THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE NOT AFFECTED; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-2-103, 7-2-2201, 7-2-2202, 7-2-2411, 7-2-2412, AND 15-10-420, MCA."	Jeff Essmann	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/22/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172

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SB 288	Provide administrative appeal for special district assessment	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING ASSESSMENTS OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT TO BE APPEALED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE DISTRICT; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-11-1027, MCA."		
SB 295	Revise manner of appraising certain property for tax purposes	Bob Lake	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE MANNER OF APPRAISING CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES; ALLOWING ANNUAL INFORMAL REVIEWS OF CLASSIFICATION AND APPRAISAL FOR AGRICULTURAL, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL, AND FOREST PROPERTY; REQUIRING CERTAIN INFORMATION BE PROVIDED TO AN OBJECTOR FOR USE IN INFORMAL REVIEWS; PROHIBITING AN INCREASE IN THE VALUE OF PROPERTY THROUGH AN INFORMAL REVIEW EXCEPT DUE TO A PHYSICAL CHANGE IN A PROPERTY OR A MISTAKE IN A PROPERTY DESCRIPTION; REQUIRING THE USE OF THE UNIFORM STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL APPRAISAL PRACTICE; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 15-7-102 AND 15-8-111, MCA."		
SB 306	Revise mining laws regarding cyanide health and vat leach open-pit mining	Terry Murphy	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE PROHIBITION OF CYANIDE HEAP AND VAT LEACH OPEN-PIT GOLD AND SILVER MINING; AND AMENDING SECTION 82-4-390, MCA."		
SB 318	Revise assessment review process –extend appeal deadline	Jeff Essmann	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RELATING TO THE ASSESSMENT REVIEW AND APPEAL OF A PROPERTY REAPPRAISAL FOR TAX PURPOSES; PROHIBITING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, FROM INCREASING THE APPRAISAL OF A PROPERTY UNDER AN ASSESSMENT REVIEW; EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR A PROPERTY OWNER TO REQUEST AN ASSESSMENT REVIEW; EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR A PROPERTY OWNER TO APPEAL AN APPRAISAL TO THE COUNTY TAX APPEAL BOARD; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-7-102, 15-8-601, AND 15-15-102, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 357	Revise laws for appointment and election of a resigning county commissioner	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING A RESIGNING MEMBER OF A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FROM PARTICIPATING IN FILLING THE VACANCY TO BE CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-16-501 AND 7-4-2106, MCA."		
SB 372	Lower business equipment tax – phase more reduction on state economic growth	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/03/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REDUCING THE TAXATION FOR A PORTION OF THE TAXABLE MARKET VALUE OF CLASS EIGHT BUSINESS EQUIPMENT OWNED BY A TAXPAYER; PROVIDING FUTURE TAX REDUCTIONS CONTINGENT ON INCREASES IN STATE COLLECTIONS OF INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX AND CORPORATION LICENSE TAX OVER THE REVENUE ESTIMATED AMOUNT; CHANGING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO TAXATION OF CLASS EIGHT PROPERTY; PROVIDING A PARTIAL REIMBURSEMENT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS UNDER THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT, TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THROUGH THE BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, AND TO THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM THROUGH SUPPORT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS FOR THE LOSS OF CLASS EIGHT AND CLASS TWELVE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-6-138, 15-6-141, AND 15-23-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 373	Require disclosure of self ins. local gov't ins. settlements	Jim Shockley	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING THAT WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN AN EMPLOYEE AND AN ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES OR REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES THAT HAVE ELECTED TO SELF-INSURE IS A PUBLIC RECORD."		
SB 375	Generally revise workers' compensation	Edward Walker	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/25/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS; REQUIRING ANY WINDFALL ACCRUED FROM CHANGES TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS TO BE RETURNED TO POLICYHOLDERS OR TO ORIGINATING FUNDS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION PREMIUMS PAID FOR STATE EMPLOYEES; REQUIRING THE STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND TO BE REGULATED BY THE STATE AUDITOR; REQUIRING THE STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND TO PAY A FEE TO THE STATE AUDITOR AS AN INSURER; REQUIRING CONFORMITY BY THE STATE COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND WITH RATING ORGANIZATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES USED BY PRIVATE INSURERS; EXPANDING THE CLASSIFICATION CATEGORIES TO INCLUDE THOSE USED BY STATE FUND; REQUIRING MARKET AND FINANCIAL EXAMINATIONS OF STATE FUND; AMENDING SECTIONS 33-1-102, 33-2-708, 33-16-303, 33-16-1001, 33-16-1002, 33-16-1008, 33-16-1012, 33-16-1021, 33-16-1026, 33-16-1035, 39-71-403, 39-71-435, 39-71-2311, 39-71-2314, 39-71-2315, 39-71-2316, 39-71-2330, AND 39-71-2351, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 33-16-1024 AND 39-71-2362, MCA; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES, APPLICABILITY DATES, AND A TERMINATION DATE."		

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SB 379	Generally revise county zoning laws	Alan Olson	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING COUNTY ZONING LAWS; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OR REVISION OF BOUNDARIES FOR A ZONING DISTRICT AND THE ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF ZONING REGULATIONS; CLARIFYING ZONING PROTEST REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING THAT A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY VOTE TO OVERRIDE A SUCCESSFUL PROTEST UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DEVELOP FINDINGS OF FACT TO OVERRIDE A ZONING PROTEST; CLARIFYING PROCEDURES FOR THE ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS AND BOUNDARIES; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-2-101 AND 76-2-205, MCA."		
SB 392	Revise tax laws related to class eight property tax exemptions	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE LAWS RELATED TO THE TAXATION OF CLASS EIGHT BUSINESS EQUIPMENT; INCREASING THE CLASS EIGHT BUSINESS EQUIPMENT AGGREGATE TAX EXEMPTION AMOUNTS; PROVIDING REIMBURSEMENTS TO LOCAL TAXING JURISDICTIONS FOR THE LOSS OF TAXABLE VALUE IN TAX YEAR 2012; PROVIDING A GROWTH PROXY FOR TAXABLE VALUE RELATED TO COUNTY CLASSIFICATION AND SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDING DEBT LIMITS; USING THE GROWTH PROXY FOR MARKET VALUE RELATED TO OTHER BONDING DEBT LIMITS; PROHIBITING CLASS EIGHT PROPERTY FROM BEING SEPARATED INTO DIFFERENT BUSINESS ENTITIES FOR DETERMINING WHETHER THE AGGREGATE EXEMPTION AMOUNT IS EXCEEDED; LIMITING DISCLOSURE OF TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS OBTAINED IN ADMINISTERING THE EXEMPTION THRESHOLD; PROVIDING THAT THE INCREASE IN THE AGGREGATE EXEMPTION OF CLASS EIGHT PROPERTY DOES NOT OCCUR IF AN APPROPRIATION IS NOT ENACTED; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-2111, 15-6-138, AND 20-9-406, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SJ 14	Resolution urging improved Dept of Livestock communication on bison control	Bob Hawks	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ENCOURAGING IMPROVED COMMUNICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK WITH PRIVATE LANDOWNERS AFFECTED BY BISON CONTROL ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE INTERAGENCY BISON MANAGEMENT PLAN.		

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HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Robert Mehlhoff	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Approps.
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Robert Mehlhoff	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Approps.
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 C 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) Committee Report— Bill Concurred—(S) Judiciary
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Cynthia Hiner	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 01/31/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102

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HB 32	Revise laws regarding general appropriations bills	Ken Peterson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Approps.
HB 34	Split DPHHS Tobacco Settlement Fund	Trudi Schmidt	(S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
HB 35	Eliminate DPHHS reduction of Medicaid physician reimbursement rate	Trudi Schmidt	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Approps.
HB 40	Changing the standard for adoption of administrative rules	Ken Peterson	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
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 guarantee account	Galen Hollenbaugh	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 46	Revise and clarify the realty transfer act	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 48	Transfer funds between fire suppression fund and general fund	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 01/12/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 49	Authorize the sale of bonds to fund Blackfeet water compact	Betsy Hands	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred as Amended—(S) Finance and Claims
HB 53	Consolidate state employee benefit plan requirements	Harry Klock	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred—(S) State Admin.
HB 54	Define order & program for certain Department of Livestock functions	Gordon Vance	(H) Transmitted to Governor
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) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 66	Clarify agency to which the state records committee is attached	Kathy Swanson	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 69	Revise jail penalties for DUI court participation	Mike Menahan	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred as Amended—(S) Judiciary
HB 70	Revise laws related to public employees retirement system	Mike Menahan	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred—(S) State Admin.
HB 80	Revise unemployment insurance law	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/15/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 82	Require reporting of complaints on physician practices related to med marijuana	Diane Sands	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred as Amended—(S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
HB 83	Create prescription drug registry	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/18/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 86	Revise teachers' retirement system laws	Franke Wilmer	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred—(S) State Admin.
HB 89	Eliminate local registration, disclosure filing for legis, statewide candidates	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 91	Revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 02/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 95	Gen revise MT Human Rights Act-Indian preference-subpoenas-attorney fees	Walter McNutt	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/14/2011; 10:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 99	Generally revise laws relating to absentee ballots and mail ballots	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 100	Require fiscal notes to include business impact	Gordon Vance	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/03/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 101	Revise sewer and water district finance laws and water authority laws	Margaret MacDonald	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 102	Revise probationary driver's license provisions for DUI court participation	Mike Menahan	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/09/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303

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HB 106	Provide for a 24/7 sobriety project for impaired driving offenders	Steve Lavin	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred—(S) Judiciary
HB 110	Generally revise workers' compensation laws	Jeffery W Welborn	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred as Amended—(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 120	Provide for audio minutes as official minutes	Tom McGillvray	(S) Committee Report—Bill Concurred—(S) State Admin.
HB 131	Clarify responsibilities for expense recovery rel to orphan hazardous materials	Mike Menahan	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 132	Improve, clarify, and make property tax administration more effective	Brian Hoven	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/22/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 142	Require interim committees review of reports and advisory councils for sunset	Diane Sands	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 146	Increasing penalties for DUI	Ken Peterson	(H) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (H) Judiciary
HB 152	Revise proof of residency and identity requirements for voting	Ted Washburn	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
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 159	Restrict authority of FWP to regulate ammo or firearms for hunting	Cary Smith	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 161	Repeal medical marijuana law	Mike Milburn	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 162	Prohibit mixing zones for city wastewater discharge	Wayne Stahl	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Natural Resources
HB 165	Deposit certain trust land and river bed income to guarantee account	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 172	Revise laws related to hunting of grizzly bears	Ted Washburn	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 174	Repeal prohibition on firearm sound reduction devices in field	Krayton Kerns	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 175	Submit repeal of Montana Medical Marijuana Act to voters of Montana	Keith Regier	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Human Services
HB 179	Disallow unemployment benefits for certain employee terminations	James Knox	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/15/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 180	Revise close of voter registration	Champ Edmunds	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 181	Allow condo unit to be individually counted towards municipal zoning protest	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 182	Revise bond requirements for public schools	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 183	Provide for high deductible health insurance thru reimbursements and tax credits	Cary Smith	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 186	Continue allocation to Worksafe Montana thru assessment on work comp insurer	Chuck Hunter	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 196	Provide that Dept. of Commerce assist local gov't with fed land management props	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 197	Constitutional amendment allowing legislature to change retirement plans	Brian Hoven	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 203	Allow evidence of other crimes in prosecution of sexual offenses	Mike Menahan	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/23/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303

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HB 204	Allow any school board trustee of certain districts to preside over board	Daniel R Salomon	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 211	Revise laws relating to municipal general obligation bonds	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 217	Extend property tax exemption for disabled veterans to include assessments	Mike Miller	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Taxation
HB 223	Replace residential property tax assistance with property tax circuit breaker	Dick Barrett	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 01/25/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 230	Transfer board of crime control to corrections	Steve Gibson	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/15/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 239	Mandated benefits review by Insurance Commissioner for Legislature	Cary Smith	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 243	Revise laws on uninsured motorists	Douglas Kary	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 258	Revise definition of guest ranch	Champ Edmunds	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/16/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 259	Revise motor vehicle laws regarding intersections	Cleve J Loney	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 262	Extend requirement for emergency medical service grant program	Diane Sands	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm sab
HB 263	Revise county water and sewer district assessment law	Gordon Vance	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 264	Allow any person to file complaint with insurance commissioner	Gordon Vance	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 265	Prohibit insurer from disregarding cost item identified by estimating system	Gordon Vance	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 269	Provide for "blue alert" system regarding violent offenders	Steve Lavin	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 271	Exception to concealed weapon offense if eligible to apply	Krayton Kerns	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 273	Generally revise roadway access laws	Robert Mehlhoff	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 274	Provide that employment of an unauthorized alien is unlawful	David Howard	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 275	Provide offset of personal consumption expenses in survival actions	Scott Reichner	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/21/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 277	Provide for regulation of golf cart operation	Ted Washburn	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 283	Allow sex to be considered in certain insurance coverage	Liz Bangerter	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 292	Constitutional referendum amending right to a clean and healthful environment	Dan Kennedy	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 293	Provide tax exempt status for certain land owned by veterans' organizations	Pat Connell	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 295	Defining and recording wind energy rights	Rob Cook	(S) Hearing – (S) Energy and Telecommunications 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 305	Remove property tax exemption for hospitals other than critical access hospitals	Keith Regier	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Taxation

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HB 306	Eliminate requirement for notary public to keep and maintain a journal	Tom Berry	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 307	Prohibit building codes from requiring some mandatory sprinkler systems	Tom Burnett	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
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 G Blyton	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 315	Revise historic traction boiler inspection and traction license requirements	Margaret MacDonald	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/22/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 322	Provide enforcement of unlicensed practice	Kathy Swanson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
HB 330	Require voter registration forms provide option for subsequent absentee ballots	Bryce Bennett	(S) Tabled in Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 331	State assistance for economic damage by brucellosis	David Howard	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 352	Revise laws relating to water quality standards and provide alternatives	Ryan Osmundson	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 359	Revise workers' compensation law on settlements & lump-sum payments	Gordon Vance	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 360	Criminalize passengers failure to report certain motor vehicle accidents	Daniel R Salomon	(S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 365	Revise laws regarding involuntary commitment	Mike Menahan	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 367	Delaying motor vehicle insurance verification system implementation	Gary MacLaren	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 370	Increase motor vehicle fee for state parks and Virginia & Nevada Cities	Carolyn Squires	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Fish and Game
HB 377	Revise laws to allow medication aides in nursing homes	Wendy Warburton	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 378	Provide criteria for pay equity and dispute processes	Franke Wilmer	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Business and Labor
HB 379	Generally revise search warrant requirements	Mike Menahan	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/23/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 380	Revise laws related to water and waste water systems and districts	Mark Blasdel	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 381	Criminalize enforcement of certain federal firearms laws	Krayton Kerns	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 384	Revise carrying concealed weapon in prohibited places	Krayton Kerns	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 388	Statutorily require comparison of spending, budgets & various economic indices	Rob Cook	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Approps.
HB 391	Prohibit local initiative from establishing priority of enforcement of state law	Tom Berry	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
HB 395	Consider housing needs in discharge plans from mental health facilities	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (H) Judiciary
HB 399	Allow transfer of salvage title work without notary signature	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/10/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 402	Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422

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HB 403	Revise cluster development law	Gary MacLaren	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
HB 404	Repeal term limits for state senators and state representatives by referendum	Kris Hansen	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 405	Medical malpractice reform	Janna Taylor	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/22/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 410	Establish principles for social service provider rates	Bill Beck	(S) Hearing – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/04/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 411	Authorizing the actual cost of meals for certain wildland firefighters	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 418	Revise term limits for legislators	Champ Edmunds	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) State Administration
HB 423	Authorize blackjack tables to fund social services	Tony Belcourt	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 02/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 429	Revise procedures related to the Medical Marijuana Act	Tom Berry	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 430	Revise laws regarding administration of conservation districts	Cleve J Loney	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 431	Eliminate state election day as a legal holiday	Keith Regier	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 444	Create budget database website for taxpayer right to know	Tom Burnett	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 445	Allow health care choice thru out-of-state policies	Cary Smith	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 446	Address homeless prevention for people under Dept. of Corrections supervision	Ellie Boldman Hill	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/15/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 448	Enact interstate compact for enforcement of firearms freedom laws	Krayton Kerns	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 463	Revise property tax reappraisal process by specifying burden of proof on value	Scott Reichner	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 466	Generally revise major facilities act	Ryan Osmundson	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
HB 472	Conduct an interim study to generally revise tax laws	Gordon R Hendrick	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/09/2011; 8:30 AM, Rm 152
HB 480	Revise laws relating to justice's court	Mike Menahan	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/23/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 481	Revise state land laws for regional water systems	Tony Belcourt	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/11/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 483	Revise campaign finance regulation of churches and community groups	David Howard	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 484	Clarify receipt of absentee ballots for subsequent elections is not permanent	Carolyn Squires	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 486	Generally revise laws on release of health information	Janna Taylor	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Human Services
HB 489	Revise statutory rules for determining residency for voting and registration	Jerry O'Neil	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 492	Prohibit immigration sanctuary policies by local governments	David Howard	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/18/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 494	Revise laws relating to subdivision exemptions	Champ Edmunds	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 496	Allowing law enforcement agencies to destroy certain firearms they possess	Mike Menahan	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303

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HB 507	Create safe Montana highways act	Bryce Bennett	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Transportation
HB 508	Require payment of partial salary to injured rural firefighter	Mary McNally	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/24/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 509	Exempt from taxation fuel for contractors transporting school district pupils	Edith McClafferty	(H) Tabled in Committee* – (H) Transportation
HB 512	Portion of new coal severance and oil & gas production taxes to school flex	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/16/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 513	Require state to back transactions of state business with gold & silver coin	Bob Wagner	(H) Hearing – (H) State Admin. 03/14/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 516	Limiting local ordinances to state protected classes	Kris Hansen	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/14/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 529	Revise certain document fees for mining claims	Wayne Stahl	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Local Government
HB 530	Allow counties to prepare mail ballots before election day	Ted Washburn	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) State Admin.
HB 538	Providing for sale of bonds at public or private sale	Ken Peterson	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 541	Exempt domestic livestock trailing from FVP regulation and MEPA	Jeffery W Welborn	(S) Hearing – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation 03/10/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 545	Create study committee to design manual of emergency preparedness	Joe Read	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 552	Provide workers' comp to volunteer firefighters and EMS workers	Alan Hale	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 560	Increase public involvement in urban renewal areas	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 561	Revise terminology and criteria for factors in urban renewal districts	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 562	Require notification of local governments and schools of urban renewal district	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 563	Provide for public-private partnerships	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/24/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 564	Requiring urban renewal districts not supplant municipal services	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 567	Revise property appraisal process by allowing extended assessment review	Scott Reichner	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Taxation
HB 573	Generally revise health insurance laws for data and analysis generation	Chuck Hunter	(S) Hearing – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 575	Generally revise annexation laws	Kris Hansen	(S) Hearing – (S) Local Government 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 577	Revise taxes by removing tip income for unemployment and work comp purposes	Wayne Stahl	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 584	Allow use of older license plates on motor vehicles	Robert Mehlhoff	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 590	Create health insurance pooling for certain public employees	Edith McClafferty	(H) Hearing – (H) Approps. 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 594	Require a recycled content in state contracts and highway construction	Jon C Sesso	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/22/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 595	Provide 2-year reappraisal for class 4 and 1-year reappraisal for class 3 & 10	Wayne Stahl	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/09/2011; 8:30 AM, Rm 152

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HB 596	Abolish income tax with replacement sales tax	Tom McGillvray	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
HB 597	Revise state public employee retirement systems	Scott Reichner	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 599	Prohibit leaving unattended equipment and material in clear recovery area	Tom McGillvray	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HJ 1	Resolution urging federal legislation removing wolf from Endangered Species list	Mike Milburn	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 03/03/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
HJ 9	Interim study of self-governing authority by school boards	James Knox	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Education
SB 12	Repeal obsolete business equipment property tax reimbursement	Ron Erickson	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred—(H) Taxation
SB 13	Revise fee for state parks on light vehicle registration to require opt-in	John Brenden	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 15	Create misdemeanor crime of aggravated DUI	Larry Jent	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 21	Court dismissal of case with no action	Jim Shockley	(S) Transmitted to Governor
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	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 28	Clarify mental health diversion grant awards are based on admissions to MSH	Christine Kaufmann	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Human Services
SB 32	Revise interim committee laws	David E Wanzenried	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Business and Labor
SB 34	Revise interim committees	Jeff Essmann	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 35	Revise laws related to navigable river beds	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/07/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 38	Revise laws related to state land trust interest and income revenue	Bob Hawks	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Natural Resources
SB 41	Allow cities to establish courts of record	Jim Shockley	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 42	Authorize warrants to obtain blood or breath test in DUI cases	Jim Shockley	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 49	Revise size of trailer license plates	Gary Branae	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Transportation
SB 53	Amend MAPA to change required language of an e-notice of proposed rule	Joe Balyeat	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 55	Implement the federal military and overseas empowerment act	Larry Jent	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 66	Revise laws governing establishment of community college districts	Bob Lake	(H) Hearing – (H) Education 03/04/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
SB 67	Temporarily suspend juvenile delinquency intervention program annual evaluation	Jim Shockley	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
SB 68	Clarify duty of driver in accident to remain at the scene	Larry Jent	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 72	Revise contracting authority for community corrections programs	Kim Gillan	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred

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SB 75	Allow flexible hours for local property tax operations	Jon Sonju	(H) Hearing – (H) Taxation 03/02/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 82	Provide for a primary seat belt law	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Highways & Transportation
SB 84	Revise deposit of fish and wildlife fines, restitution, damages	John Brenden	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 89	Reduce DEQ and local sanitation review times	Art Wittich	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
SB 95	Revise notary stamp requirements	Jim Shockley	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
SB 106	Compel participation in lawsuit on health care reform	Jason Priest	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/08/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 110	Exclude land occupied by county road from taxation	John Brenden	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/11/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317
SB 111	Limit noneconomic damages in motor vehicle accidents	Jon Sonju	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Transportation
SB 113	Transfer statutory excess retirement funds in trust by school districts to TRS	Larry Jent	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Admin.
SB 114	Federal law enforcement officers should communicate with sheriff	Greg Hinkle	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/17/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 117	Coordination between counties, districts, and federal government	Greg Hinkle	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 120	Require publishing of appointed members to all state agency boards	John Brenden	(H) Hearing – (H) State Admin 03/04/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 122	Require passage of revenue estimating resolution	David E Wanzenried	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Taxation
SB 128	Exempt fire department emergency wells from permitting	Bob Lake	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
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 translocation	Debby Barrett	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 143	Revise state grizzly bear policy	Debby Barrett	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 03/08/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 151	Provide a court surcharge to fund Montana Crime Prevention Association	Taylor Brown	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 152	Increase the penalty for sexual assault for second and subsequent offenses	Taylor Brown	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
SB 154	Regulating medical marijuana provider supply system	Dave Lewis	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 162	Reimburse counties for all costs associated with legislative referenda	David E Wanzenried	(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	Prohibit qualified health plans from covering abortion services through exchange	Rowlie Hutton	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Human Services
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	(H) Hearing – (H) State Administration 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 187	Generally revise public defender laws	Jim Shockley	(S) Hearing – (S) Judiciary 02/02/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 303

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SB 198	Revise fiscal note law	Joe Balyeat	(H) Hearing – (H) State Admin. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 207	Clarify regulation of bison	Frederick Moore	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 216	Designate the "code of the west" the "code of Montana"	Jim Peterson	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 223	Revise volunteer firefighter pensions	Ryan Zinke	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 227	Requiring a report on advertising of state government services	Jason Priest	(H) Hearing – (H) State Admin. 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 228	Prohibit creation of health insurance exchange under PPACA	Jason Priest	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
SB 233	Generally revise environmental impact laws	Jim Keane	(H) Hearing – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 234	Generally revise municipal solid waste services	Jon Sonju	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 236	Revise solid waste laws related to local government	Edward Buttrey	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 237	Revise laws relating to brucellosis surveillance	Ron Arthun	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (S) Finance and Claims
SB 238	Increase jurisdictional limit for justice , city, and small claims courts	Anders Blewett	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 239	Temporarily prohibiting DEQ enforcement authority for public water systems	Art Wittich	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Natural Resources
SB 241	Revise calculation of physician reimbursement for Medicaid services	Jason Priest	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/09/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 242	Revising workers' compensation law on agricultural workers	John Brenden	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred— (H) Business and Labor
SB 251	Prohibit texting while driving	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Highways & Transportation
SB 253	Eliminate certain individual and corporation tax credits	Bob Lake	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 02/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 254	Provide state eminent domain authority for federal lands	Rowlie Hutton	(H) Hearing – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 03/16/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 257	Referendum to revise election laws	Joe Balyeat	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) State Admin.
SB 261	Constitutional referendum to require annual sessions and reduce days	Jeff Essmann	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
SB 265	Reduce property taxes on new construction for use of gray water systems	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 02/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 275	Revise laws relating to public cemeteries	Ryan Zinke	(H) Hearing – (H) Local Government 03/17/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 278	Provide for ambulance membership programs	Carmine Mowbray	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Transportation
SB 279	Allow legislative security personnel w/permit to carry weapon into Capitol	Verdell Jackson	(H) Hearing – (H) Judiciary 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 287	Require certain corporate officers or managers of LLC's to obtain work comp	Jim Keane	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/11/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 294	Revise workforce training grant program	Edward Buttrey	(H) Committee Executive Action—Bill Concurred— (H) Business and Labor

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SB 298	Revise land use laws regarding wildland urban interface	Chas Vincent	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 301	Moratorium on land purchases by dept. of fish, wildlife, and parks	Rick Ripley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks
SB 303	Generally revise state land laws	John Brenden	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 308	Provide for criminal offense for refusal of alcohol testing	Cliff Larsen	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Judiciary
SB 312	Revise metal mine laws	Chas Vincent	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/11/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317
SB 315	Revise school law on standard of review for school board decisions	Rick Ripley	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Education
SB 317	Generally revise the Montana Environmental Policy Act	Chas Vincent	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/11/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317
SB 320	Clarifying certain provisions of the Major Facility Siting Act	Llew Jones	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
SB 325	Referendum to require majority vote in general elections	Joe Balyeat	(S) Hearing – (S) State Admin. 03/11/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 328	Require PERS new hires to be in DC plan	Dave Lewis	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/15/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317
SB 338	Revise laws regarding certain officials and public service announcements	Ron Arthun	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (S) State Admin.
SB 340	Clarifying the enforcement of laws related to fire hazard reduction	Chas Vincent	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
SB 342	Define misconduct for unemployment insurance laws	Edward Buttrey	(H) Committee Executive Action—Bill Concurred— (H) Business and Labor
SB 343	Revise Montana aquatic invasive species act	Verdell Jackson	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/04/2011; 9:00 AM, Rm 317
SB 347	Revise the private property assessment act	Bob Lake	(S) Committee Report—Bill Passed—(S) Fish and Game
SB 351	Revise laws governing managed care	Rick Ripley	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/15/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
SB 353	Revise payments in lieu of tax for DFWP lands	John Brenden	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 356	Clarifying definition of good cause for water right objections	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
SB 361	Generally revise gambling laws	Rick Ripley	(H) Committee Executive Action—Bill Concurred— (H) Business and Labor
SB 362	Requiring health insurance rates be filed with insurance commissioner for review	Alan Olson	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 363	Provide surcharge on FWP land transactions for funding invasive species	John Brenden	(S) Tabled in Committee* – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 366	Generally revise welfare laws	Chas Vincent	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/18/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 376	Revise local government laws to expand maturity date limitations on investments	Bob Lake	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/09/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 377	Generally revise tax laws to require adop. of revenue est. for taxes & other rev	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 02/18/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 378	Notice required for recording instrument affecting title to real property	Ryan Zinke	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/02/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405

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SB 382	Require the Department of Revenue to provide certain information to taxpayer	Kim Gillan	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 02/18/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 384	Eliminate certain committees and boards in Dept. of Agriculture	Kendall Van Dyk	(H) Hearing – (H) Agriculture 03/15/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 393	Revise tax law by providing refundable tax credit for property taxes paid	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Hearing – (S) Taxation 03/10/2011; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SJ 12	Resolution urging oil and gas leasing of federal land	Edward Walker	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
SJ 16	Study resolution on increasing passenger rail in Montana	Tom Facey	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 03/22/2011; 3:00 PM, Rm 405

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