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## MACo PENSION UPDATE

### **JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS**

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The [Joint Select Committee on Pensions](#) held their first organizational/informational meeting on Tuesday, January 22. Members of both the House and Senate State Administration Committees joined the meeting.

The meeting was opened with comments from Speaker of the House, Mark Blasdel, and Senate President, Jeff Essmann. The rest of the day consisted of educating and informing the members on the different issues they will need to consider as they deliberate developing a solution.

The Committee heard presentations from staff regarding overviews of the current system, legislative history, legal review, funding implications, fiscal data, and informational resources. They also had presentations from the Budget Director, the Executive Director of the Board of Investments, the Chief Investment Officer, and the Executive Directors of both the Teachers Retirement and the Public Employees Retirement Systems.

The Committee began hearing bills on Thursday, January 24 regarding the Teachers and University Systems.

Next Tuesday, the Committee will hear [HB 96](#) – the MPERB funding proposal and [SB 82](#), Senator Lewis's proposal on Defined Contribution Plans.

This Committee will be hearing all proposals and closely evaluating the impacts of all of them before making any decisions. We will continue to monitor the activities of the Committee and keep you informed.

Information is in the process of being developed that will outline the components of the Governor's proposal for funding PERS. The information should be available for distribution early next week.

### **HB 122 – MPERA QUALIFICATION BILL (UPDATE)**

[HB 122](#), Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems, is the Administration bill to make changes to comply with IRS regulations. A component of this bill was to shift the costs of having the actuary prepare the information required by GASB 68 (posting unfunded actuarially liabilities on employers financial statements) to the employers. The Committee amended the cost shift out of the bill, citing that they believe the provision of this information is the responsibility of MPERA, and the costs should be paid out of MPERA's budget. FYI – MPERA retains 1.5% of benefits paid for administrative costs.

### **NEXT WEEK**

MACo will be presenting "the numbers" and updating our website with a wealth of information for you to review. We will put this in simple terms – but will also provide you links to the information should you wish to dig deeper into the issue.

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.

Previous issues of MACo's *Legislative Update* can be found on our website's [legislative page](#).

Copies of bills are sent to County Clerks & Records and also [can be found here](#).

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# 2013 SESSION CALENDAR

As Revised by Legislative Leadership—January 11, 2013

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

In accordance with 5-2-103, MCA, each regular session of the Legislature convenes on the first Monday in January of each odd-numbered year or, if January 1 is a Monday, on the first Wednesday.

**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. 7: 63rd Legislative Session begins
- Jan. 21: Last day to request General Bills**
- Jan. 26: Last day to request Revenue Bills

- Feb. 18: Last day for Committee to request General Bills
- Feb. 28: Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber
- March 1-March 3: Transmittal Break
- March 20: Transmittal of Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions
- March 22: Last day to request Bills Proposing Referendums or for Committee to request Revenue Bills
- March 28: Transmittal of Appropriation Bills
- April 5: Transmittal of Revenue Bills and Bills Proposing Referendums
- April 8: Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
- April 10: Last day to request Study Resolutions or Committee Bills to implement HB2
- April 16: Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills
- April 18: Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Bills, Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions, and Bills Proposing Referendums
- April 22: Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions
- April 27: 90th Legislative Day – Sine Die

## SCHEDULED HEARINGS: JANUARY 28-FEBRUARY 1, 2013

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, priority bills are highlighted blue, and watch bills are highlighted yellow.**

MONDAY, JANUARY 28					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Education	317B	<a href="#">HB 14</a>	Bonding program	<a href="#">Galen Hollenbaugh</a>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Education	317B	<a href="#">HB 5</a>	Long-range building appropriations	<a href="#">Duane Ankney</a>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning	317B	<a href="#">HB 14</a>	Bonding program	<a href="#">Galen Hollenbaugh</a>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning	317B	<a href="#">HB 267</a>	Provide for construction of the Montana historical society building	<a href="#">Roy Hollandsworth</a>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning	317B	<a href="#">HB 5</a>	Long-range building appropriations	<a href="#">Duane Ankney</a>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement & Justice	335	<a href="#">HB 2</a>	General Appropriations Act	<a href="#">Duane Ankney</a>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<a href="#">HB 285</a>	Establish the unattended child in motor vehicle act	<a href="#">Carolyn Pease-Lopez</a>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<a href="#">SB 50</a>	Eliminate report on expenditures of attorney license tax	<a href="#">Shannon Augare</a>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<a href="#">SB 8</a>	Eliminate racial profiling report to the legislature	<a href="#">Terry Murphy</a>

## MONDAY, JANUARY 28 (CONTINUED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 214</a>	Require state to fly POW/MIA flag at certain times and places	<a href="#">Kirk Wagoner</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 251</a>	Revise date absentee ballots are available	<a href="#">Pat Ingraham</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 252</a>	Revise notary public journal storage to secretary of state's office	<a href="#">Pat Ingraham</a>
10:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Business &amp; Labor</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 207</a>	Revise title insurance countersignature and title exception laws	<a href="#">Tom Berry</a>
10:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Business &amp; Labor</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 232</a>	Strengthen exclusive remedy laws in workers' compensation	<a href="#">Austin Knudsen</a>
10:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 92</a>	Remove public defender from certain court definitions	<a href="#">Amanda Curtis</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 213</a>	Providing a tuition tax credit for nonpublic school education	<a href="#">Steve Fitzpatrick</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 239</a>	Define scope/boundaries of human sexuality/reproduction education K-12	<a href="#">Cary Smith</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, &amp; Telecommunications</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 52</a>	Clarify renewable energy credit reporting requirements	<a href="#">Jim Keane</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 241</a>	Require DPHHS to provide Medicaid recipients with an explanation of benefits	<a href="#">Mike Miller</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 262</a>	Allow medicaid eligibility for minors subject to a subsidized guardianship	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 291</a>	Generally revise canal or ditch easement laws	<a href="#">Krayton Kerns</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 39</a>	Eliminate DNRC report on wildland/urban interface designation	<a href="#">Chas Vincent</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Transportation</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 257</a>	Revise laws related to bicycles	<a href="#">Nancy Wilson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education &amp; Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">SB 81</a>	Provide tax credits for contributions to scholarship organizations	<a href="#">Dave Lewis</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 23</a>	Revising ethics violation laws for commissioner of political practices	<a href="#">Bryce Bennett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 51</a>	Revise applicability of federal laws and regulations to Montana National Guard	<a href="#">Champ Edmunds</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">SR 3</a>	Senate resolution on redistricting	<a href="#">Jeff Essmann</a>

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Business and Labor</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 109</a>	Allow certain boards to issue cease and desist orders for unlicensed practices	<a href="#">Edith (Edie) McClafferty</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Business and Labor</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 224</a>	Revise appeal bonds in civil cases	<a href="#">Cary Smith</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Business and Labor</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 225</a>	Revise interest payments in civil cases	<a href="#">Cary Smith</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">HJ 6</a>	Resolution encouraging implementation of I-166 provisions	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 53</a>	Revise penalties for certain misdemeanor offenses	<a href="#">Robyn Driscoll</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 151</a>	Revise interim committee membership to reflect majority and minority allocations	<a href="#">Champ Edmunds</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 229</a>	Generally revise laws related to campaign finance limits and maximums	<a href="#">Scott Reichner</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 265</a>	Revise campaign finance laws	<a href="#">Steve Fitzpatrick</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Taxation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 35</a>	Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments	<a href="#">Mike Miller</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Taxation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 63</a>	Revise retail installment sales laws	<a href="#">JP Pomnichowski</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Taxation</a>	405	<a href="#">SB 169</a>	Revise payments by FWP to counties for land	<a href="#">John Brenden</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Business, Labor, &amp; Economic Affairs</a>	422	<a href="#">SB 120</a>	Increase from 1 to 3 the number of liquor licenses an individual may have	<a href="#">Edward Buttrey</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Business, Labor, &amp; Economic Affairs</a>	422	<a href="#">SB 171</a>	Revise law on payment of subcontractors on public contracts	<a href="#">Gene Vuckovich</a>

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 29 (CONTINUED)**

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Business, Labor, &amp; Economic Affairs</a>	422	<a href="#">SB 172</a>	Revise laws related to dental insurance plans and services	<a href="#">Edward Walker</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Agriculture</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 60</a>	Eliminate alternative livestock advisory council	<a href="#">Gene Vuckovich</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Agriculture</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 72</a>	Revise the livestock per-capita assessment date	<a href="#">Debby Barrett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Appropriations</a>	102	<a href="#">HB 16</a>	Revise involuntary commitment and emergency detention laws	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Fish, Wildlife &amp; Parks</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 180</a>	Revise requirements for nonresident relative to get reduced cost hunting license	<a href="#">Kirk Wagoner</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Fish, Wildlife &amp; Parks</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 198</a>	Authorize late season deer and elk hunting	<a href="#">Champ Edmunds</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Fish, Wildlife &amp; Parks</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 27</a>	Authorize use of sound suppressors while hunting certain large predators	<a href="#">Ted Washburn</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Local Government</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 246</a>	Revise conservation easement laws	<a href="#">Kerry White</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Local Government</a>	172	<a href="#">HB 258</a>	Revise local government laws related to public notice	<a href="#">Bridget Smith</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Fish and Game</a>	422	<a href="#">SB 151</a>	Revise laws related to issuance of elk permits	<a href="#">Jim Peterson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Fish and Game</a>	422	<a href="#">SB 178</a>	Allow FWP to retain percentage of Class B-10 license fee when portion returned	<a href="#">Kendall Van Dyk</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways &amp; Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">SB 166</a>	Waive vehicle registration fees for disabled public safety officers/firefighters	<a href="#">Dick Barrett</a>

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30**

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 275</a>	Revise DUI laws	<a href="#">Keith Regier</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 290</a>	Provide that jury may judge facts and application of law to the facts	<a href="#">Jerry O'Neil</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 217</a>	Revise campaign finance regulation of churches	<a href="#">David Howard</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 220</a>	Revise election laws for county commissioners	<a href="#">Mike Miller</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 221</a>	Revise campaign finance laws	<a href="#">Mike Miller</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 222</a>	Authorize secretary of state to remove ineligible candidates from ballot	<a href="#">Mike Miller</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 79</a>	Constitutional referendum to rename the State Auditor	<a href="#">Tom Berry</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, &amp; Telecomm.</a>	472	<a href="#">HB 293</a>	Revise eminent domain laws to require interest on litigation	<a href="#">Ed Lieser</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, &amp; Telecomm.</a>	472	<a href="#">HB 294</a>	Revise transmission lines laws related to disclosure of electro-magnetic fields	<a href="#">Ed Lieser</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, &amp; Telecomm.</a>	472	<a href="#">HB 295</a>	Revise eminent domain laws	<a href="#">Ed Lieser</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 171</a>	Revise laws related to medicaid and children's health program fraud	<a href="#">Cary Smith</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 238</a>	Consider housing needs in discharge plans from mental health facilities	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Transportation</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 270</a>	Revise law pertaining to collector item vehicles	<a href="#">Nicholas Schwaderer</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Transportation</a>	455	<a href="#">SB 111</a>	Revising the apportionment of certain highway construction funds	<a href="#">Matthew M Rosendale</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education &amp; Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">SB 175</a>	Generally revise public education funding	<a href="#">Llew Jones</a>

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31**

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 269</a>	Assault on health care or emergency services provider	<a href="#">Kathy Swanson</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 277</a>	Constitutional amendment to revise term limit laws	<a href="#">Bill McChesney</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">HB 97</a>	Cap highest/final average compensation in MPERA retirement systems	<a href="#">Franke Wilmer</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 272</a>	Revise elderly homeowner/rental tax credit	<a href="#">Brian Hoven</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 88</a>	Standardize individual liability for trust taxes	<a href="#">Brian Hoven</a>

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 268</a>	Generally revise income tax laws	<a href="#">Greg Hertz</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SB 112</a>	Establish youth concussion protection laws	<a href="#">Anders Blewett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 263</a>	Revise cigarette tax funding laws related to state veterans' homes	<a href="#">Pat Ingraham</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 271</a>	Provide for collection of nurses workforce information	<a href="#">Margaret (Margie) MacDonald</a>

**2013 PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

Below are three different lists of proposed legislation for the 2013 Legislative Session that have been introduced thus far. The MACo Resolutions & Introduced Legislation list includes bills that are associated with MACo Resolutions. The MACo Priority Watch List includes bills that we are watching very closely or with which we may have some involvement. The MACo Watch List includes bills that are on our radar.

**MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION**

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 164</a> <a href="#">LC1413</a>	Revise when county commissioner district boundaries can be modified	<a href="#">2012-03</a>	Amanda Curtis	(H) Transmitted to Senate
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING WHEN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES MAY BE ALTERED; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2102, MCA."				
<a href="#">HB 192</a> <a href="#">LC0542</a>	Revise laws related to mobile home transfer and taxes	<a href="#">2010-13</a>	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Taxation
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING MOBILE HOME TAX LAWS; REQUIRING THE PAYMENT OR CANCELLATION OF TAXES PRIOR TO THE TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN A MOBILE HOME OR HOUSETRAILER; ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO CANCEL DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES ON A MOBILE HOME OR HOUSETRAILER TO BE MOVED FOR THE PURPOSES OF DESTRUCTION OR RECYCLING; AMENDING SECTION 15-24-202, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">HB 193</a> <a href="#">LC1055</a>	Authorize interim appointments of county elected officials	<a href="#">2012-08</a>	Roger A Hagan	(H) 2nd Reading Passed
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT AN INTERIM OFFICER TO A COUNTY OFFICE UPON OCCURRENCE OF A VACANCY; REQUIRING THE INTERIM OFFICER TO HAVE THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED OF THE OFFICE; PROVIDING THAT THE INTERIM OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2206, MCA."				
<a href="#">HB 194</a> <a href="#">LC1145</a>	Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws	<a href="#">2012-07</a>	Pat Ingraham	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Local Government
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECT MUST BE PUT TO A BID IF THE PROJECT IS FUNDED WITH GASOLINE TAXES; AMENDING 15-70-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				



## MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 206</a> <a href="#">LC1064</a>	Increase justice court filing fees	<a href="#">2012-09</a>	Kelly Flynn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/21/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 137
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING FEES IN JUSTICE'S COURT AND SMALL CLAIMS COURT; AMENDING SECTIONS 25-31-112 AND 25-35-608, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."				
<a href="#">HB 216</a> <a href="#">LC1104</a>	Revise laws related to distribution of overweight and oversize permit fees	<a href="#">2012-16</a>	Alan Doane	(H) Hearing -- (H) Trans. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CERTAIN PERMITS FOR OVERSIZED AND OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES TO RETAIN THE FEES IMPOSED FOR THE PERMITS FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S ROAD FUND; AMENDING SECTION 61-10-126, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">HB 258</a> <a href="#">LC1523</a>	Revise local government laws related to public notice	2012-EC1	Bridget Smith	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/29/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-2121 AND 7-1-4127, MCA."				
<a href="#">SB 72</a> <a href="#">LC0724</a>	Revise the livestock per-capita assessment date	<a href="#">2012-11</a>	Debby Barrett	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 01/29/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DATE ON WHICH CATTLE ARE COUNTED FOR PURPOSES OF LIVESTOCK ASSESSMENT FEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-6-104, 81-6-204, AND 81-6-209, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">SB 105</a> <a href="#">LC1063</a>	Revise interim zoning laws	<a href="#">2010-09</a>	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/30/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO PREVENT A PROPOSED USE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROHIBITING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO PREVENT AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."				
<a href="#">SB 116</a> <a href="#">LC0156</a>	Revise special fuel user permit laws	<a href="#">2012-19</a>	Ron Arthun	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Highways and Transportation
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING SPECIAL FUEL USER PERMIT LAWS; REPEALING THE SPECIAL FUEL USER'S PERMIT; <del>REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR A PUBLIC CONTRACT BE PRODUCED USING SPECIAL FUEL ON WHICH STATE FUEL TAX HAS BEEN PAID; PROVIDING THAT CERTAIN NONRESIDENTS OBTAIN CERTAIN SPECIAL FUEL USER'S TEMPORARY PERMITS; CLARIFYING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE TAX ON SPECIAL FUEL AND VOLATILE LIQUIDS;</del> AMENDING SECTIONS 15-70-301, 15-70-311, 15-70-314, 15-70-321, 15-70-330, 15-70-356, AND 15-70-372, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-5-2316, 7-5-4316, 15-70-302, 15-70-303, 15-70-304, 15-70-305, 15-70-306, 15-70-307, 15-70-317, 15-70-323, 15-70-325, 15-70-327, 15-70-328, 15-70-329, 15-70-331, 15-70-332, 15-70-333, 15-70-334, 15-70-335, 15-70-336, 20-6-630, AND 60-2-118, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">SB 132</a> <a href="#">LC1172</a>	Revise statutory dates related to filling mid-term county elected office	<a href="#">2012-04</a>	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DATES FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN COUNTY ELECTED OFFICES; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR RATHER THAN THE CLERK AND RECORDER; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 3-10-201, 3-10-206, 7-4-2106, AND 7-4-2206, MCA."				
<a href="#">SB 161</a> <a href="#">LC1353</a>	Change the requirements for establishing a special speed zone	<a href="#">2012-18</a>	Mitch Tropila	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CHANGING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL SPEED ZONE; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-309, MCA."				
<a href="#">LC0441</a>	Require state coordination with local governments when requested	<a href="#">2012-20</a>	Kelly Flynn	Draft Ready for Delivery
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC0496</a>	Eliminate requirement for annual absentee forms	<a href="#">2012-01</a>	Ted Washburn	Draft Taken Off Hold
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC0734</a>	Generally revise tax increment financing districts	<a href="#">2010-19</a>	Edward Buttrey	Draft to Requester for Review
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC0735</a>	Allow Montana businesses to participate in technology districts	<a href="#">2010-22</a>	Edward Buttrey	Draft to Requester for Review
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				

## MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">LC0736</a>	Revising local government legal holiday laws	<a href="#">2012-10</a>	Keith Regier	Draft in Assembly/Executive Director Review
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC0915</a>	Provisional permits for gravel pits	<a href="#">2012-15</a>	Jim Peterson	Draft in Input/Proofing
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1065</a>	Generally revise emergency medical service laws	<a href="#">2012-05</a>	David E Wanzenried	Draft On Hold
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1066</a>	Generally revise public health laws	<a href="#">2010-17</a>	David E Wanzenried	Draft Request Received
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1067</a>	Provide for actuarial funding for public employee's retirement system	2012-EC3	Bryce Bennett	Draft On Hold
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1068</a>	Provide for actuarial funding for the sheriff's retirement system	2012-EC4	Bryce Bennett	Draft On Hold
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1286</a>	Revise county public auction laws	<a href="#">2012-06</a>	Pat Ingraham	Draft Request Received
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1296</a>	Revise public safety communication laws	<a href="#">2012-17</a>	Steve Lavin	Draft Ready for Delivery
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING LAWS GOVERNING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS; CREATING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD; ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD; ESTABLISHING DUTIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION; ALLOWING FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE CONTRACTS AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS; REQUIRING DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AND A BIENNIAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS JURISDICTION PLANS; CREATING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS IN THE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">LC1315</a>	Revise noxious weed laws	<a href="#">2012-14</a>	Terry Murphy	Draft Request Received
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				
<a href="#">LC1348</a>	Revise membership and duties of the Montana public employees retirement board	2012-EC2	Pat Ingraham	Draft On Hold
BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.				

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 2</a>	General Appropriations Act	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps Subcom on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement, and Justice 01/28/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; ESTABLISHING A BALANCED 6 BUDGET; ESTABLISHING AN OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF THE STATE'S GENERAL FUND REVENUE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR OF THE 2014-2015 BIENNIUM; 7 ACCEPTING THE JUNE 30, 2012, UNASSIGNED GENERAL FUND BALANCE THAT WAS ESTABLISHED BASED ON GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES; AND 8 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">HB 11</a>	Treasure state endowment program	Steve Gibson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/18/2013; 8:30 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 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; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 16</a>	Revise involuntary commitment and emergency detention laws	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 01/29/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE STATUTES RELATED TO INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS; REVISING WHEN THE RIGHT OF THE RESPONDENT TO BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT A HEARING MAY BE WAIVED; ALLOWING EMERGENCY DETENTION OF A PERSON IF THE PERSON IS SUBSTANTIALLY UNABLE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERSON'S OWN BASIC NEEDS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 53-21-102, 53-21-119, AND 53-21-129, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 38</a>	Transfer GIS duties to state library	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO THE STATE LIBRARY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1014, 7-11-1029, 7-6-212, 90-1-403, 90-1-404, 90-1-405, 90-1-406, 90-1-410, 90-1-411, AND 90-1-413, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 43</a>	Create jail suicide prevention program in DPHHS	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ESTABLISH A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRIAGE SYSTEM FOR PARTICIPATING DETENTION CENTERS; PROVIDING A GRANT PROGRAM FOR PARTICIPATING DETENTION CENTERS; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT RULES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 47</a>	Revise certain county budgeting deadlines	Edie McClafferty	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DATES BY WHICH A COUNTY MUST FIX CERTAIN SALARIES, ADOPT A BUDGET, FIX TAX LEVIES, AND ESTIMATE SPECIAL DISTRICT COSTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2504, 7-6-4024, 7-6-4036, AND 7-11-1025, 20-9-152, AND 20-15-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 53</a>	Revise State Administration and Veteran Affairs statutory duties	Pat Ingraham	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE; AMENDING SECTION 5-5-228, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 69</a>	Create jail suicide prevention program in board of crime control	Margie MacDonald	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDES IN DETENTION CENTERS; REQUIRING THE ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES BY THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL; INCREASING THE SURCHARGE ON CERTAIN CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION TO DETENTION CENTERS; PROVIDING FOR A GENERAL FUND LOAN; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-1-318, 7-6-2541, AND 7-32-2224, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 78</a>	Clarify break in service requirements for postretirement employment under TRS	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING BREAK-IN-SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTRETIREMENT EMPLOYMENT IN A POSITION REPORTABLE TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-731 AND 19-20-733, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		



**MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)**

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 91</a>	Modify and expand public employee 457 deferred compensation program	Ryan Lynch	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (H) State Admin.
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT MODIFYING AND EXPANDING 457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAMS FOR THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO INCLUDE ROTH ACCOUNTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-50-101 AND 19-50-103, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 95</a>	Require contributions on working retiree compensation	Franke Wilmer	(H) Rereferred to Committee – (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPROVING THE ACTUARIAL UNFUNDED LIABILITY OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', SHERIFFS', AND FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS BY REQUIRING EMPLOYER AND STATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR WORKING RETIREES IN THOSE SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-1101 AND 19-13-1101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 96</a>	Provide actuarial funding for PERS, HPORS, GWPORS, SRS retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions 01/29/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 317A
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPROVING THE ACTUARIAL FUNDING STATUS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS BY TEMPORARILY INCREASING EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-3-316, 19-3-2117, 19-6-404, 19-7-404, 19-8-504, AND 19-21-214, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 97</a>	Cap highest/final average compensation in MPERA retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/31/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PLACING A CAP ON THE EARNINGS THAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE HIGHEST OR FINAL AVERAGE COMPENSATION USED TO DETERMINE A RETIREMENT BENEFIT UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', JUDGES', HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS', SHERIFFS', GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS', MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS', AND FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-1005, 19-3-108, 19-5-101, 19-6-101, 19-7-101, 19-8-101, 19-9-104, AND 19-13-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 105</a>	Generally revise MPERA retirement system laws concerning plan administration	Tom Steenberg	(H) Rereferred to Committee – (H) State Administration
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO RETIREMENT, DISABILITY, AND DEATH BENEFITS AND PAYMENTS; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP, SERVICE CREDIT, AND REEMPLOYMENT; PROVIDING FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE EMPLOYEE INVESTMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; REVISING DEATH BENEFITS UNDER THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REVISING CANCELLATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF DISABILITY BENEFITS UNDER THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; CORRECTING TERMINOLOGY AND INTERNAL REFERENCES; ELIMINATING EXPIRED PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-403, 19-2-406, 19-2-505, 19-2-706, 19-2-801, 19-2-907, 19-3-412, 19-3-512, 19-3-908, 19-3-1103, 19-3-1106, 19-3-1210, 19-3-1501, 19-3-2133, 19-3-2141, 19-5-601, 19-5-701, 19-5-801, 19-5-802, 19-6-601, 19-7-503, 19-7-601, 19-7-901, 19-7-1001, 19-8-302, 19-8-701, 19-8-801, 19-8-1002, 19-9-710, 19-9-1007, 19-13-104, 19-13-803, AND 19-17-605, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-1005, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">HB 122</a>	Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems	Bryce Bennett	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) State Administration
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM; REVISING THE DEFINITION OF "NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE" TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; <del>PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN ACTUARIAL WORK</del> ; REVISING MAXIMUM COMPENSATION AND MAXIMUM BENEFIT PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS ON ELIGIBLE ROLLOVER DISTRIBUTIONS, MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT, AND ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-405, 19-2-1001, 19-2-1011, 19-2-1014, 19-3-901, 19-5-501, 19-6-501, 19-7-501, 19-8-601, 19-9-801, 19-13-701, AND 19-50-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."			

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 134</a>	Define certain investigators in state auditor's office as peace officers	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE AUDITOR TO DESIGNATE SECURITIES AND INSURANCE INVESTIGATORS AS PEACE OFFICERS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-303, 30-10-304, AND 33-1-311, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 167</a>	Generally revise the teachers' retirement system	Bryce Bennett	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; PROVIDING AN ENHANCED RETIREMENT BENEFIT KNOWN AS THE "PROFESSIONAL RETIREMENT OPTION" FOR NEW MEMBERS OF THE SYSTEM; CREATING TWO MEMBERSHIP TIERS WITHIN THE SYSTEM; REVISING THE CALCULATION OF AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION FOR NEW MEMBERS; REVISING ELIGIBILITY FOR EARLY AND NORMAL RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR NEW MEMBERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-101, 19-20-602, 19-20-715, 19-20-801, 19-20-802, 19-20-804, AND 19-20-805, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 175</a>	Include dispatchers in the sheriffs' retirement system	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS, ALSO KNOWN AS DISPATCHERS, FROM THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-101, 19-7-301, AND 19-7-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB 185</a>	Revise assessment/fee procedures for park districts	Clayton Fiscus	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PROCEDURES FOR LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT OR IMPOSING A FEE IN A PARK DISTRICT; REQUIRING A REFERENDUM AND DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL DATA; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1011 AND 7-11-1025, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 231</a>	Revise local government compensation laws related to county sheriff deputies	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE METHOD OF SETTING COMPENSATION FOR UNDERSHERIFFS AND SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2503, 7-4-2505, 7-4-2507, 7-4-2510, AND 7-32-104, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 7-4-2508, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 234</a>	Revise definition of compensation in police and fire retirement systems	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DEFINITION OF "COMPENSATION" USED FOR CALCULATING RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS UNDER THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 19-9-104 AND 19-13-104, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 282</a>	Constitutional amendment regarding public employee retirement systems	Kirk Wagoner	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES UNLESS THE PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEMS ARE FUNDED ON AN ACTUARIALLY SOUND BASIS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 4</a>	Generally revise property reappraisal laws	Jim Peterson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ONE 2-YEAR REVALUATION CYCLE BEGINNING IN 2015 TO BE FOLLOWED BY ANNUAL REVALUATION THEREAFTER FOR CLASS THREE AGRICULTURAL LAND, CLASS FOUR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND CLASS TEN FOREST LAND FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES; CLARIFYING THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND FOREST LAND TAXATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR PURPOSES OF IMPLEMENTING THE NEW REAPPRAISAL PROCESS; 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, 15-24-3202, 15-24-3203, 15-44-103, AND 77-1-208, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 15-6-193, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
<a href="#">SB 5</a>	Clarify authority of local governments to store electronic documents off-site	Edward Buttrey	(S) Transmitted to House
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ELECTRONIC RECORDS FOR A COUNTY MAY BE STORED AT A LOCATION SEPARATE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK; AND AMENDING SECTION SECTIONS 7-5-2131 AND 7-5-2133, MCA."		

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">SB 6</a>	Require surrender of license plates if driver is uninsured	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways & Transportation 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A VEHICLE OPERATOR WHO DOES NOT PROVIDE PROOF OF MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE OR AN INDEMNITY BOND TO SURRENDER THE LICENSE PLATES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE RETURN OF THE LICENSE PLATES; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-6-302, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 19</a>	Define combined appropriation for exempt wells	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DEFINING THE TERM "COMBINED APPROPRIATION" FOR WATER WELLS AND DEVELOPED SPRINGS THAT ARE EXEMPT FROM PERMITTING; CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "DEVELOPED SPRING"; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 85-2-102 AND 85-2-306, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 23</a>	Revise interim zoning laws	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/14/2013; 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; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."		
<a href="#">SB 38</a>	Establish stream depletion zones for exempt wells	Chas Vincent	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DEFINING "STREAM DEPLETION ZONES"; REDUCING THE EXEMPTION FOR GROUND WATER APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN STREAM DEPLETION ZONES; LIMITING AREAS WHERE STREAM DEPLETION ZONES MAY BE ESTABLISHED; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 85-2-102 AND 85-2-306, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 54</a>	Require worker's compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters	Tom Facey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; REQUIRING EACH COUNTY GOVERNING BODY TO ESTABLISH A FUND FOR PAYING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION PREMIUMS; ALLOWING COUNTY GOVERNING BODIES TO IMPOSE A PERMISSIVE LEVY FOR PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; EXCLUDING CERTAIN CITIES FROM THE PROPERTY TAX PERMISSIVE LEVY FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION; REVISING PREMIUM AND BENEFIT PROVISIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND CERTAIN VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-6-621, 7-33-2109, 7-33-2209, 7-33-2403, 7-33-4111, 15-10-420, 39-71-118, 39-71-123, AND 39-71-401, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 55</a>	Clarify coverage of routine costs for patients in approved clinical trials	Christine Kaufmann	(S) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ISSUERS OF HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE MAY NOT DENY ROUTINE PATIENT COSTS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN AN APPROVED CLINICAL TRIAL; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-704, 33-22-101, 33-31-111, 33-35-306, 53-4-1005, AND 53-6-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 56</a>	Eliminate calculation errors of taxes, fees, and assessments to local government	Larry Jent	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/18/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE CALCULATION OF FEES AND ASSESSMENTS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR THE COMPUTATION OF PROPERTY TAXES; LIMITING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE'S ROLE IN CALCULATING FEES AND ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE NOT MILL-RELATED FOR ENTRY OF TAXES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-13-4524 AND 15-10-305, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 67</a>	Revise certain statutory report requirements to the legislature	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGENCY REPORTING TO THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE AND THE LEGISLATURE; REVISING REPORTING BY THE CAPITOL COMPLEX ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE PROGRAM, THE MONTANA VETERANS' AFFAIRS DIVISION, THE SECRETARY OF STATE REGARDING SECURED TRANSACTIONS, THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION, THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-17-804, 2-18-1103, 10-2-102, 17-6-230, 19-2-405, 19-20-201, AND 30-9A-527, MCA."		

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">SB 77</a>	Revise municipal contract competitive bidding law - no bid required up to \$100K	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RAISING FROM \$50,000 TO \$100,000 THE CONTRACT AMOUNT ON CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PURCHASE AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS THAT REQUIRE USE OF THE COMPETITIVE, ADVERTISED BIDDING PROCESS; AMENDING SECTION 7-5-4302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 82</a>	Require PERS new hires to be in DC plan	Dave Lewis	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions 01/29/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 317A
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING NEW HIRES INTO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO BE MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; ALLOWING CERTAIN DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN MEMBERS AN OPTION TO SWITCH TO THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REVISING VESTING PROVISIONS FOR DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN MEMBERS; REQUIRING THE GOVERNOR TO INCLUDE IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET THE FUNDING NECESSARY TO AMORTIZE THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY OF THE DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REQUIRING THE BOARD TO SEEK A RULING OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND MAKING THE ACT CONTINGENT ON A FAVORABLE RULING; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-111, 17-7-112, 19-2-303, 19-2-403, 19-2-407, 19-2-715, 19-3-108, 19-3-316, 19-3-319, 19-3-401, 19-3-412, 19-3-2101, 19-3-2106, 19-3-2111, 19-3-2112, 19-3-2113, 19-3-2114, 19-3-2115, 19-3-2116, 19-3-2117, 19-3-2126, 19-3-2141, AND 19-21-214, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-2121, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
<a href="#">SB 99</a>	Revise laws related to motor vehicle insurance verification	Alan Olson	(S) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING INSURANCE VERIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-3-303, 61-3-312, AND 61-6-105, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 108</a>	Renew Montana charitable endowment tax credit	Taylor Brown	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (S) Taxation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO A QUALIFIED ENDOWMENT; EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE OF THE TAX CREDIT; SPECIFYING THE MINIMUM ANNUITY RATE FOR DEFERRED CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES; CLARIFYING THE REQUIRED TIMING OF PAYMENTS FOR DEFERRED CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES; APPLYING THE PROVISIONS OF THE UNIFORM PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS ACT TO THE DEFINITION OF "PERMANENT, IRREVOCABLE FUND"; AMENDING SECTION 15-30-2327, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 9, CHAPTER 537, LAWS OF 1997, SECTION 5, CHAPTER 226, LAWS OF 2001, SECTION 7, CHAPTER 4, LAWS OF 2005, AND SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, AND 7, CHAPTER 208, LAWS OF 2007; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE, AN APPLICABILITY DATE, AND A TERMINATION DATE."		

## MACo WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/28/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/18/2013; 10:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 10	Long-range information technology appropriations	JP Pomnichowski	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 12	Appropriate funds for provider payments	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Kathy Swanson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/23/2013; 3:00 pm, Rm 102
HB 14	Bonding program	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/28/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 19	Revise penalty and interest provisions related to tax law enforcement	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Taxation
HB 21	Generally revise statutory appropriation laws	Rob Cook	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance and Claims 01/22/2013; 5:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 22	Generally revise state auditor laws on insurance	Kimberly Dudik	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 30	Revise late registration laws	Ted Washburn	(H) Committee Executive Action- Bill Passed -- (H) State Admin.
HB 33	Revising large predator laws	Ted Washburn	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks
HB 35	Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments	Mike Miller	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/29/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 36	Remove statutory references to local government severance tax	Carlie Boland	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 37	Allow temporary leasing of water rights	Bill McChesney	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 39	Revise school finance laws to correct implementation problems	Bill McChesney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 42	Revise laws related to destruction of property by minors	Keith Regier	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/25/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 44	Update criminal intelligence information section and advisory council	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 48	Revise Insure Montana laws	Bill McChesney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 50	Prohibit immigration sanctuary policies by local governments	David Howard	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 54	Revise teacher's retirement system administrative and tax qualification laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 59	Revise title of governor's drought advisory committee	Ryan Lynch	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 66	Allow for electronic service of notices of levy and writs of execution	Brian Hoven	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (H) Taxation
HB 71	Clarifying restorative justice laws and establish grant program	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 72	Allow restorative justice as condition of suspended or deferred sentence	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 74	Require disclosure of child abuse to DPHHS to law enforcement in all cases	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 77	Revise public assistance laws relating to counties	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 79	Constitutional referendum to rename the State Auditor	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/30/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 80	Authorizing peace officer status for corrections criminal investigators	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 82	Revise applicability of extraterritorial worker's compensation agreements	Scott Reichner	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 84	Revise 72-hour presumptive eligibility requirements for crisis stabilization	Pat Noonan	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 87	Provide state insurance commissioner with health insurance rate review authority	Jeffrey W Welborn	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 89	Allow de minimus refund of abandoned property or closed estates	Ryan Lynch	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 90	Increase university system supplemental contributions rate to TRS	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions 01/24/2013; 8:30 am, Rm 317ab



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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 95	Require contributions on working retiree compensation	Franke Wilmer	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 96	Provide actuarial funding for PERS, HPORS, GWPORS, SRS retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 99	Appropriate TANF funds for out-of-school food support activities	Pat Noonan	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 100	Create a medicaid pay-for-performance pilot project	Ron Ehli	(H) Committee Report-- Bill Passed -- (H) Human Services
HB 102	Create advisory committee on cost-base medicaid mental health rate reimbursement	Ron Ehli	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 105	Generally revise MPERA retirement system laws concerning plan administration	Tom Steenberg	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 106	Generally revise water use laws	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 107	Revise laws related to legal counsel representation in abuse and neglect cases	Ryan Lynch	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 108	Revise registration and proof of identity requirements for voting	Ted Washburn	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Admin.
HB 111	Repeal business equipment tax reduction for value-added manufacturing	Mike Miller	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 112	Improve actuarial funding for teachers' retirement system	Jean Price	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions 01/24/2013; 8:30 am, Rm 317ab
HB 119	Allow payment of expenses for deceased Medicaid and MT healthy kid enrollees	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 120	Generally revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 121	Revise property valuation laws for tax purposes for certain timber lands	Pat Ingraham	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 124	Clarify exemption for school districts and special districts in elections	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 125	Clarify when candidate's name is held off the ballot	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 126	Generally revise ballot issues and petition statutes	Pat Ingraham	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Passed -- (H) State Admin.
HB 129	Revise campaign finance and disclosure laws	Steve Gibson	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 130	Revise uninsured employer's fund laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 139	Update laws governing law enforcement communications system	Steve Lavin	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/25/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 142	Restore Dingell-Johnson fish restoration and management funding assent language	Pat Connell	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 145	Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Accountability Act	Bill Harris	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 146	Generally revise laws related to solid waste licenses and fees	Kris Hansen	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 148	Clarifying local government authority to regulate amateur radio operators	Pat Connell	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 149	Revise ditch easement laws	Pat Connell	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Agriculture
HB 152	Provide deadlines for governing bodies to review tax exemption applications	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Taxation
HB 154	Enable county attorney to act as legal advisor to irrigation board if requested	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Local Government
HB 156	Revise local government laws related to municipal zoning	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 158	Require agency's to present proposed rules to interim committees	Doug Kary	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 159	Generally revise the Montana Administrative Procedure Act	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 160	Require that aquatic invasive programs be funded by state general fund	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 162	Revise state employee health insurance program laws	Kelly Flynn	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Human Services
HB 165	Revise laws related to speed upon approaching emergency or police vehicles	Amanda Curtis	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 168	Revise DUI laws for THC	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Committee Report-- Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Judiciary
HB 169	Allow growth policy to be used for coordination	Kerry White	(H) 2nd Reading Passed
HB 174	Provide for a property tax freeze for Montanans age 65 or older or disabled	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 176	Increase amount of oil and nat. gas prod. taxes retained by school district	David Halvorson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 177	Requiring school districts to budget 25% of total oil and nat. gas prod. taxes	David Halvorson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 186	Require losing party in litigation to pay litigation costs in certain lawsuits	Clayton Fiscus	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/25/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 172
HB 195	Revise laws related to taxation of certain forest land	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 196	Revise property exemption laws related to judgment debtors	Tom Jacobson	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 197	Expand drug & alcohol testing act to apply to all employees	Champ Edmunds	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/21/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 172
HB 200	Revise election laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 202	Revise laws related to the deposit and investment of public money	Roger A Hagan	(H) 2nd Reading Passed
HB 203	Revise direct state aid to public libraries	Christy Clark	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
HB 208	Providing immunity for solid waste management system	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 209	Cap salaries of state employees while retirement systems are actuarially unsound	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Admin.
HB 218	Require Board of Oil and Gas to administer grant program for oil and gas impacts	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 220	Revise election laws for county commissioners	Mike Miller	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/30/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 226	Exempt computer professionals from overtime pay	Donald W Jones	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/22/2013; 8:30 am, Rm 172
HB 230	Generally revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 232	Strengthen exclusive remedy laws in workers' compensation	Austin Knudsen	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/28/2013; 10:00 am, Rm 172
HB 233	Generally revise 24/7 sobriety program	Steve Lavin	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Transportation
HB 242	Generally revise workforce drug testing laws	Carl Glimm	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/23/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 172
HB 244	Generally revise water use laws	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 245	Authorize counties to dedicate park land	Champ Edmunds	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 246	Revise conservation easement laws	Kerry White	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/29/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 248	Prohibit fire lanterns during certain fire seasons	Bryce Bennett	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 249	Revising laws related to presence of bison/buffalo on private property	Alan Doane	(H) Committee Executive Action-Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Agriculture
HB 250	Require navigator, insurance producer certification for exchanges	Liz Bangerter	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 251	Revise date absentee ballots are available	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/28/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 455
HB 252	Revise notary public journal storage to secretary of state's office	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/28/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 455
HB 261	Revise unemployment insurance laws for business impacted by natural disaster	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 269	Assault on health care or emergency services provider	Kathy Swanson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/31/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 275	Revise DUI laws	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/30/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 276	Generally revise DUI laws	Champ Edmunds	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/25/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 280	Authorize choice for out-of-state health care insurance	Cary Smith	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
HJ 2	Interim study investigating state/local gov electronic records management	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HR 1	House Rules Resolution	Cary Smith	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
SB 10	Provide for licensure and regulation of mental health peer support specialists	Mary Caferro	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/11/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 16	Revise tax increment financing laws related to distribution	Dick Barrett	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
SB 22	Allow for recording notice of tax lien with the secretary of state	Ron Arthun	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 24	Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel operations	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) 3rd Reading Passed
SB 25	Increase reimbursement rates for pupil transportation	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education & Cultural Resources 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 27	Revise Insure Montana laws to expand small employer definition	Cliff Larsen	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 30	Revise big sky trust fund wage rate laws	Edward Buttrey	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
SB 33	Revise disaster relief expenditure laws	Larry Jent	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 34	Create unclaimed life insurance benefits act	Mary Caferro	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/11/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 35	Revise statutory requirements for notarization of certain documents	Jim Keane	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 37	Declaring conceal weapon permit app. info as confidential criminal justice info	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/09/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 39	Eliminate DNRC report on wildland/urban interface designation	Chas Vincent	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/28/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 40	Generally revising provisions governing subdivision review	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 41	Prohibiting consideration of future subdivision impact	Edward Buttrey	(S) Transmitted to House

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 48	Establish regional water system rate process	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 49	Revise laws regarding reporting to the legislative finance committee	Rick Ripley	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Finance and Claims
SB 53	Revise penalties for certain misdemeanor offenses	Robyn Driscoll	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/29/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 57	Adopt certain uniform laws commission language for military/overseas ballots	Larry Jent	(S) 3rd Reading Passed
SB 59	Remove certain restrictions on I-149 and I-155 funding uses	Greg Jergeson	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Finance and Claims
SB 65	Revise laws relating to confidentiality of child abuse and neglect reports	Art Wittich	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/04/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 68	Revise ballot return envelope requirements to reflect extra postage required	Robyn Driscoll	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 71	Code commissioner bill	Mitch Tropila	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
SB 73	Repeal DARE program	Christine Kaufmann	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
SB 79	Revise laws regarding access to nonprofit hospital records	Dave Lewis	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
SB 84	Establish standards and structure for patient-centered medical homes	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 96	Lower the business and equipment tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 97	Revise redistricting laws to reduce the number of House and Senate seats	Jason Priest	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 98	Revise redistricting laws to reduce the number of House and Senate seats	Jason Priest	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 100	25% new resource development revenue to fund education	Dee Brown	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/25/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 110	Provide for a crime prevention program	Taylor Brown	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 111	Revising the apportionment of certain highway construction funds	Matthew M Rosendale	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 01/30/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
SB 114	Eliminate certain charges for motor vehicle registration	Janna Taylor	(S) Rereferred to Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
SB 115	Revise medical malpractice laws to contain health care costs	Janna Taylor	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
SB 121	Generally revise laws related to contracts	Jennifer Fielder	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 122	Generally revise election laws regarding local nonpartisan elections	Tom Facey	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 127	Revise unemployment law, revise def. of misconduct, revise benefit eligibility	Edward Buttrey	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs
SB 128	Revise when unemployment insurance rates not affected by benefits paid	Edward Buttrey	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs
SB 130	Revising municipal election laws	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 131	Constitutional amendment to adopt of the revenue estimate by the legislature	David E Wanzenried	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 137	Revise local government laws relate to property environmental clean-up	Alan Olson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 138	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 140	Combine school and primary election dates	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 141	Revise definitions for certain common carrier pipelines	Alan Olson	(S) 2nd Reading Passed
SB 144	Generally revise noxious weed trust fund laws	Jon C Sesso	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 145	Require all information on a concealed weapon permit application confidential	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/23/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 146	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agency comment	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 147	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agriculture	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 148	Reduce amount of award to employees who are wrongfully discharged	Llew Jones	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/23/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 157	Provide withholding of taxes on gain from sales of real estate by nonresidents	Dick Barrett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/25/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 159	Revise traumatic brain injury contribution on vehicle registration to opt-out	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 166	Waive vehicle registration fees for disabled public safety officers/firefighters	Dick Barrett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways & Transportation 01/29/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 169	Revise payments by FWP to counties for land	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/29/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 171	Revise law on payment of subcontractors on public contracts	Gene Vuckovich	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/29/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 172	Revise laws related to dental insurance plans and services	Edward Walker	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/29/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 175	Generally revise public education funding	Llew Jones	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education & Cultural Resources 01/30/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SJ 1	Joint Rules Resolution	Art Wittich	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SJ 2	Revenue estimate pursuant to the Joint Rules of the Legislature	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
SR 1	Senate Rules Resolution	Art Wittich	(S) Filed with Secretary of State

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