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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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## THE HOUSE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS HAS COMPLETED THEIR WORK – AND NOW YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

*By Sheryl Wood, MACo Associate Director*

On Tuesday, March 12, the House Joint Select Committee (JSC) on Pensions took executive action on all of the bills under their purview. Of the 15 bills they had under consideration pertaining to the retirement systems, 9 were tabled, 2 were passed in their original form, three were passed after amendments, and one was re-referred back to another Committee. Of all of those bills, there are three important pension funding and structure bills that will affect counties left in the process:

### **1) HB 454 – REPRESENTATIVE MCCHESENEY: PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PERS DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN, REVISE GABA**

HB 454 is the Governor's proposal to provide funding for the PERS system that MACo supports, as the proposal met or exceeded the majority of our guiding philosophies provided by our members. This bill passed 7-5 following amendments in the Committee. This bill has been re-referred to the House State Administration Committee for further review and consideration. A new actuary report and fiscal note have been requested. With the implementation of the changes to the funding in this bill, it is estimated the system would achieve a 36.7 year amortization by FY 2014.

Components of the bill:

- a. Requires a 1% employee increase in contributions to a maximum of 7.9% of salary;
- b. Requires a 1% employer increase in contributions to a maximum of 7.9% of payroll;
- c. Allocates spendable interest from the Coal Tax Permanent Trust and dedicates up to \$21 million of Coal Severance Tax Revenues to PERS on behalf of state and local public employers and employees;
- d. Keeps the years of service requirement at 30 years;
- e. Keeps the benefit calculation of highest average compensation at 5 years;
- f. Changes the dates for the accrued principle to the Treasure State endowment Renewable resource Trust with in the Coal Tax Trust to FY 2017. (Note: These dates needed to be changed in order to accommodate the additional revenues from the Coal Tax Permanent Trust);
- g. Revises the guaranteed annual benefit adjustment (GABA) for new and current members; there were 2 amendments placed on the bill in the Committee regarding GABA:
  - i. Senator Jent: The amendment provides that for new members of PERS, the 1.5% GABA will be reduced by 0.1% for each year that the amortization period for the system's unfunded liabilities is greater than 25 years.
  - ii. Representative Cook: This amendment applies the same conditions on retirees and current employees of PERS as Senator Jent's amendment. It should be noted that under this amendment, although not a conflict, the actuarial conditions used in this amendment are related to the funded ration of the system, while the actuarial conditions used in Senator Jent's amendment are related to the amortization period for the system's unfunded liabilities.

## HOUSE JSC ON PENSIONS (CONTINUED)

### **2) HB 338: - REPRESENTATIVE REGIER - PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PENSION DEBTS, ALL NEW HIRES TO DC PLAN**

HB 338 is what we referred to as the “kitchen sink” bill during our Midwinter Presentation. It is a very complex bill that is 88 pages, has 90 sections (as introduced), and pertains to all retirement systems. This bill was amended in Committee, and passed as amended on a vote of 8-4. This bill has been re-referred to the House State Administration Committee for further review and consideration, and a new actuary report and fiscal note have been requested. As this

bill has a number of components to it, MACo carefully evaluated each section to determine how it fit within our guiding philosophies. Based on that evaluation, MACo was allowed to testify as an informational witness to relay to the committee with what we concurred, opposed, and remained neutral. Our position on each section is noted below with the outline of the main components of the bill:

- a. Increases the PERS Board from 7 to 11 members: Eliminates 2 at large members, adds 2 active or retired public safety officers, adds 2 who are teachers and adds 1 retired teacher and 1 school board member;
  - i. MACo opposes, as the expansion of the Board will add costs of administration, and the proposal does not allow local government (employer) to have a seat on the board.
- b. Revises the powers and duties of the Revenue & Transportation, State Administration & Veterans Affairs, and Legislative Finance Committees regarding oversight of the pension systems;
  - i. MACo supports, as it adds increased monitoring and oversight of the systems.
- c. Adds dollar amounts of Coal Severance Taxes to pension trust funds based proportionately to the system’s unfunded liabilities compared to total unfunded liabilities compared to total unfunded liabilities in all of the systems as of the latest valuation. Beginning January 1, following valuations showing 100% funded, the funds would go to the general fund;
  - i. MACo supports, as it provides for statutory appropriations and funding for the unfunded actuarial liabilities for PERS and SRS.
- d. Requires an annual actuarial valuation and projection of the flat dollar amount that would be needed to ensure each system is 100% funded by 2043;
  - i. MACo supports as it will provide annual information as to the fiscal status of the systems.
- e. Provides that the PERS Board will contract for disability insurances, and allows a local government permissive tax levy for local governments;
  - i. While MACo supports permissive tax levy authority for additional costs, there are significant concerns that costs may increase due to the insurance costs being added to the contribution rates. The current defined benefit plans include the cost of disability in the normal cost of the plan. The largest concern is that experience shows that 75% of disabilities in public safety are in the line of duty, and it is unknown what an equivalent disability insurance policy would cost.
- f. Provides a “trigger” to reduce employer contributions to PERS and SRS beginning January 1 following an actuarial valuation showing that the system is at least 100% funded;
  - i. MACo supports this portion of the proposal.
- g. Shifts all new hires to a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan;
  - i. MACo strongly opposes this proposal. MACo’s belief is that members should have the option of choosing how their funds are managed. Under the DB plan, the benefits are defined in statute. Under the DC plan, employees would have all of the risk of managing their investments for the future. MACo’s position is that if the legislature is going to mandate participation and contribution into a plan, they are obligated to manage the funds for the members, with the members having the OPTION of managing their own investments should they choose to do so. While this proposal would shift 100% of the risk to the employees and eliminate the fiscal risk to the state and the employers, it also leaves a potential burden should employees be unable to effectively manage their investments, so they have a stable retirement as is required by statute.
- h. Closes the Defined Benefit Plan by shifting all new hires to a DC plan and creates a new “tier” of employees within the retirement systems;
  - i. MACo strongly opposes this proposal. While there has been much discussion regarding the system paying more in benefits than it is collecting in contributions and earning in investments, changes have and are being made and proposed that will provide stability within the existing defined benefit plan. Significant changes were made in the system for new hires in 2011. The effects of those changes will not be known for a number of years, but all projections indicate they will have a significant positive effect on the stability of the systems. Additionally, proposals are

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moving forward to stop abuses of the systems such as salary spiking and working retirees. Those changes, coupled with the increases in employee and employer increases, additional Coal Severance Tax funding, and the recovery of the stock market should stabilize the plans much sooner than expected. Additionally, there will be a much higher focused oversight of the actions of the Retirement Board and the investments by the Legislature to ensure that the systems achieve actuarial soundness and remain stable for the long term.

- i. Amends local government contract rights and prohibits local governments converting to PERS;
  - i. MACo opposes this proposal. This proposal would only allow counties to enter into contracts for participation in a Defined Contribution Plan and would no longer allow participation in a Defined Benefit Plan.
- j. Reduces the amount of employer contributions to the member education fund in the DC plan from 0.04% to 0.02% of contributions;
  - i. MACo has no position on this proposal.
- k. Provides for the suspension of the Guaranteed Annual Benefit Adjustment;
  - i. MACo has not taken a position on this issue. As written, the proposal would have suspended GABA, but did not contain a provision to re-establish it. The amendment proposed by the sponsor, and approved by the Committee, provided that GABA could be reinstated once all of the systems are 100% funded. The amendment requires the Legislative Finance Committee to monitor the reinstatement of the GABA and requires any legislation necessary to keep the plans actuarially sound.

### **3) SB 333 - SENATOR ARTHUN: ESTABLISH CASH BALANCE BENEFIT TIER IN TRS AND PERS FOR NEW HIRES**

SB 333 would establish a third tier in the systems and creates a “cash balance” program where members would receive a guaranteed annuity. The original proposal was for a 4.5% guaranteed benefit, but was amended in Committee to 4%. The Committee and the Senate, at the sponsor’s request, have re-referred this bill to the Senate State Administration Committee for further consideration.

MACo opposes this proposal, as it creates another “tier” in the systems. Additionally, while it creates more of a “shared” burden between employees and employers, it also could potentially lead to another unfunded liability in the retirement system, should the system be unable to sustain the guaranteed benefit. It also does not provide any solutions to the current unfunded liability issue of the current retirement systems.

**What you can do . . . Please contact your representatives and urge their support of HB 454, and opposition of HB 338. HB 454 is the only proposal at this point that is a fully comprehensive solution to the retirement system problems and will offer solutions with little or no impact to the taxpayers, your budgets, or your employees’ benefits.**

MACo will continue to monitor these bills as they progress, and we will keep you posted.

## UPDATE: HB 2, GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

*By Maureen Connor, MACo Legislative & Policy Analyst*

House Bill 2 completed step two of its legislative journey and moves toward funding the basic operations of the state budget for the next two years. It was released from House Appropriations earlier this week on a party-line vote of 13-8. Step one of the HB 2’s journey was the subcommittee work, where hundreds of people file through the smaller committees and explain their agency programs or make local government requests for funding.

Long before this legislative session began, state agencies, legislative services, and the office of budget and program planning were busy crunching numbers and preparing what county commissioners and county financial officers would view as similar to a first draft of a preliminary budget, but with quite a few more zeros.

While complicated, it’s worth noting that the legislative branch started this session with the suggestion to use FY 2012 as the base, and most of the subcommittees adopted this as their starting point. They also got the fixed costs out of the way quickly, inflationary factors, and increases. In some cases this has been reported as big spending by the majority party but is reflective of where the appropriations budget began numerically.

Last week, the full House Appropriations Committee met and reviewed the subcommittee work. The full committee relied heavily on the work of their subcommittees and their chairs. This week, they met for two days of executive action and went quickly through over 100 amendments, most of which failed.

Various notable areas for counties in HB 2:

## HB 2 UPDATE (CONTINUED)

1. One amendment in Section B that passed was funding for a grant program with the goal of preventing jail suicides in detention centers. The Committee added \$250,000 in federal funds from the Children's Health Insurance Program bonus payment that DPHHS receives. The funding is one-time and restricted for a grant program for detention centers to prevent jail suicides. The Department has statutory authority to administer the program and distribute the grants. This is the same level of funding that was requested in HB 43, the jail suicide bill that did not pass.
2. Another amendment failed in Appropriations, which would have restored funding used by DPHHS to fund 25 locations around Montana for reproductive health—the Family Planning Program. Also in the DPHHS budget, there was increased funding for community crisis for mental health, something MACo has been supporting along with our Sheriffs and others.
3. DEQ lost some funding to support the review of subdivision sanitation, which failed to make it through the committee. It's difficult to say how this will impact the development community, but fee increases and possibly slower reviews may be in the future.
4. The Department of Commerce Main Street program, not a big one for the counties, but important to some communities trying to revitalize their downtown areas did not get funding.
5. Another area that is a little harder to figure out is the Secretary of State's Office, which is an enterprise fund. As the counties know, elections cost more than they used to even with the support of federal and state funding. The Appropriations Committee moved this enterprise fund into House bill 2 and placed a spending restriction on the fund that \$3 million must be used for MT Votes, the state-wide voter database. While this is good news for counties, it is very bad news for the Secretary of State's office because those dollars would normally go to paying for the operations of the SOS office. This is a budget spot to keep an eye on as HB 2 continues its travels through the legislative process.

The next step is the floor of the House, and HB 2 will probably be up starting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday March 19 and Wednesday March 20, which subject to change of course.

## MACO & THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE

The Montana Association of Counties' website has a section dedicated to helping members keep track of the happenings during the 63rd Montana Legislative Session: <http://www.mtcounties.org/legislative/sessions/2013/2013-legislative-session>. In this section you'll find MACo's resolutions, links to pertinent bills, an archive of our weekly *Legislative Updates*, hearing calendars, committee listings, legislator contact information, and more.

## 2013 SESSION CALENDAR

*As Revised by Legislative Leadership and Adoption of Joint Rules — January 18, 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).

March 20:	Last day to request Study Resolutions
March 22:	Last day to request Bills Proposing Referendums or for Committee to request Revenue Bills
March 28:	Transmittal of Appropriation Bills; Last day to request Committee Bills to implement HB 2
April 5:	Transmittal of Revenue Bills and Bills Proposing Referendums
April 8:	Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
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: MARCH 18-MARCH 22, 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, MARCH 18					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">SB 192</a>	Exempt state permitting programs from vacancy savings requirements	<a href="#">David E Wanzenried</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 304</a>	Generally revise concealed weapons laws	<a href="#">Krayton Kerns</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 459</a>	Revise privacy laws related to medical treatment and firearms	<a href="#">Krayton Kerns</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SB 367</a>	Revise laws for DUI violations	<a href="#">Sue Malek</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">HB 576</a>	Higher education scholarship program for residents	<a href="#">Greg Hertz</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 199</a>	Revise laws related to technology acquisition and depreciation funding	<a href="#">Fred Thomas</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 342</a>	Establish Montana Indian language preservation pilot program	<a href="#">Jonathan Windy Boy</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">SJ 13</a>	Request MUS to study college completion	<a href="#">Taylor Brown</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 296</a>	Provide protections for physician treatment of Lyme disease	<a href="#">Fred Thomas</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 297</a>	Revise laws related to health care provider service payments	<a href="#">Elsie Arntzen</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 201</a>	Revise laws on rural/urban interface and fire protection	<a href="#">Bradley Hamlett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 217</a>	Revise laws governing watershed protection	<a href="#">Bradley Hamlett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 262</a>	Prohibit state agencies from taking action on anonymous civil complaints	<a href="#">John Brenden</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 48</a>	Establish regional water system rate process	<a href="#">Greg Jergeson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education and Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 240</a>	Clarify constitutional provisions and law related to board of regents/u-system	<a href="#">Cary Smith</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education and Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 301</a>	Revise school bonding limits	<a href="#">David Halvorson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Local Government</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 437</a>	Allow county to create improvement district for certain purposes	<a href="#">Jonathan McNiven</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Local Government</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 497</a>	Restrict certain municipal ordinance penalties	<a href="#">Kerry White</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Natural Resources</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 513</a>	Exempt oversize load permits from the Montana Environmental Policy Act	<a href="#">Bill McChesney</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Natural Resources</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 547</a>	Agency coordination of permits for large-scale projects	<a href="#">Carl Glimm</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<a href="#">HB 473</a>	Revise medical lien laws	<a href="#">Scott Reichner</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<a href="#">HB 544</a>	Revising insurance provisions related to provider networks	<a href="#">Scott Reichner</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 120</a>	Generally revise election laws	<a href="#">Pat Ingraham</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 265</a>	Revise campaign finance laws	<a href="#">Steve Fitzpatrick</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 554</a>	Revise legislator compensation & benefit processing	<a href="#">Bridget Smith</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 560</a>	Revise duties & change name of Legislative Computer Systems Planning Council	<a href="#">Gordon Pierson</a>

## TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Taxation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 373</a>	Revise property tax laws	<a href="#">Scott Reichner</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Taxation</a>	405	<a href="#">SR 20</a>	Confirm appointee to State Tax Appeals Board	<a href="#">Bruce Tutvedt</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 488</a>	Establish a mandatory posting of national trafficking resource center hotline	<a href="#">Jenifer Gursky</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 229</a>	Generally revise laws related to campaign finance limits and maximums	<a href="#">Scott Reichner</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 385</a>	Revise landlord tenant laws regarding tenant action that may harm premises	<a href="#">Steve Lavin</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 438</a>	Establish procedures for landlord tenant actions in justice court	<a href="#">Nancy Ballance</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 485</a>	Revise landlord tenant laws to expand Justice Court jurisdiction	<a href="#">Steve Lavin</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 344</a>	Revise laws related to agricultural commodity dealers	<a href="#">Brian Hoven</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Fish and Game</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 328</a>	Allowing hunter notification of wild buffalo/bison location	<a href="#">Ted Washburn</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Fish and Game</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 396</a>	Revise laws regarding translocation of wild buffalo/bison	<a href="#">Mike Lang</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 178</a>	Revise driver license fee allocations to increase traffic educ. account funding	<a href="#">Jean Price</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 216</a>	Revise laws related to distribution of overweight and oversize permit fees	<a href="#">Alan Doane</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 299</a>	Name portion of highway 2 in Blaine County for slain officers	<a href="#">Wendy Warburton</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 442</a>	Increase vehicle damage reporting requirement	<a href="#">Lee Randall</a>

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 287</a>	Enhance penalty for consumer protection violations	<a href="#">Daniel R Salomon</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 555</a>	Revise mediation laws related to family law and domestic violence	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education and Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">SR 33</a>	Confirmation of appointees to the Board of Regents	<a href="#">Jim Peterson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Local Government</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 435</a>	Revise laws related to coal board grants and railroad quiet zones	<a href="#">Bill McChesney</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Local Government</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 499</a>	Amending conveyance exemptions for subdivision regulations	<a href="#">Ellie Boldman Hill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Natural Resources</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 553</a>	Generally revise gravel permit permitting process	<a href="#">David Halvorson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<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="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<a href="#">HB 61</a>	Allow addiction counselors to treat gambling addictions	<a href="#">Ryan Lynch</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 329</a>	Prohibit state employees from being lobbyists	<a href="#">Randy Brodehl</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 411</a>	Recognize and commemorate Ed McGivern	<a href="#">Bill Harris</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 448</a>	Revise filing dates for community college trustees	<a href="#">Randy Brodehl</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 457</a>	Providing for school district recount boards for school elections	<a href="#">Jean Price</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">SR 22</a>	Confirm Governor's appointees to public employee retirement board	<a href="#">Ron Arthun</a>

## THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 153</a>	Revise public service commission districts	<a href="#">Fred Thomas</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 160</a>	Creating the offense of criminal child endangerment	<a href="#">Mitch Tropila</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 196</a>	Generally revise criminal laws	<a href="#">Matthew M Rosendale</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 207</a>	Adopt Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act	<a href="#">Kendall Van Dyk</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) State Administration</a>	455	<a href="#">SB 258</a>	Name the justice building after Joe Mazurek	<a href="#">Art Wittich</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 231</a>	Revise tax exemption laws regarding tribal recreational property	<a href="#">Shannon Augare</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 269</a>	Clarifying that present law adjustments are not included in base budget	<a href="#">Edward Walker</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs</a>	422	<a href="#">HB 455</a>	Revise law for the reissuance of title for abandoned vehicles	<a href="#">Joanne G Blyton</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">HB 391</a>	Requiring parental consent prior to an abortion for a minor	<a href="#">Gerald (Jerry) Bennett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Agriculture</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 256</a>	Making FWP liable for private property damages caused by wild buffalo/bison	<a href="#">Frederick (Eric) Moore</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Agriculture</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 301</a>	Revise noxious weed laws	<a href="#">Terry Murphy</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Agriculture</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 305</a>	Generally revise laws governing bison management in Montana	<a href="#">Jim Peterson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 588</a>	Revise laws related to hunting and flying time laws	<a href="#">Bill Harris</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 344</a>	Public scoping process for FWP land acquisitions	<a href="#">Chas Vincent</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Local Government</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 271</a>	Generally revise county sewer and water district laws	<a href="#">Fred Thomas</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Local Government</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 290</a>	Revise county zoning regarding notice of change of use	<a href="#">Elsie Arntzen</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Local Government</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 324</a>	Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements	<a href="#">Matthew M Rosendale</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Fish and Game</a>	422	<a href="#">SR 28</a>	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of DFWP	<a href="#">John Brenden</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 494</a>	Require state agencies to determine final payment for construction services	<a href="#">Carl Glimm</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 508</a>	Revise commercial drivers' license laws related military veterans	<a href="#">Champ Edmunds</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 548</a>	Increase truck speed limits by removing special restrictions	<a href="#">Daniel Zolnikov</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Highways and Transportation</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 558</a>	Revise road laws related to aggregate stabilization	<a href="#">Dennis R Lenz</a>

## FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 150</a>	Prohibit state government from owning or using unmanned aerial vehicles	<a href="#">Robyn Driscoll</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 238</a>	Revise consumer reporting laws	<a href="#">Bradley Hamlett</a>
8:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Judiciary</a>	137	<a href="#">SJ 19</a>	Resolution encouraging implementation of I-166 provisions	<a href="#">Cliff Larsen</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">HB 589</a>	Establish an oil and gas trust fund	<a href="#">Tom Jacobson</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(H) Taxation</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 179</a>	Revise filing requirements for pass-through entities	<a href="#">Christine Kaufmann</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SR 27</a>	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of the department of corrections	<a href="#">Terry Murphy</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SR 5</a>	Senate resolution to confirm water judge of the Montana Water Court	<a href="#">Larry Jent</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SR 6</a>	Confirm workers' compensation court judge	<a href="#">Terry Murphy</a>
9:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Judiciary</a>	303	<a href="#">SR 7</a>	Confirm certain Governor's appointees related to public safety	<a href="#">Terry Murphy</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Education</a>	137	<a href="#">SB 203</a>	Enter into interstate compact on educational opportunity for military children	<a href="#">Edward Buttrey</a>

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22 (CONTINUED)**

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 180</a>	Revise eminent domain laws	<a href="#">Debby Barrett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications</a>	472	<a href="#">SB 31</a>	Revise definition of eligible renewable resource	<a href="#">Debby Barrett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 298</a>	Consider adverse childhood experiences in state prevention efforts	<a href="#">Jonathan Windy Boy</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Human Services</a>	152	<a href="#">SB 351</a>	Provide criminal background checks of potential emergency placement residents	<a href="#">Alan Olson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 335</a>	Allow for removal of natural obstruction to exercise water right	<a href="#">Bradley Hamlett</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SB 366</a>	Eliminate EQC term limits	<a href="#">Ron Arthun</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SJ 15</a>	Interim study on public land management	<a href="#">Jennifer Fielder</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Natural Resources</a>	172	<a href="#">SJ 17</a>	Resolution to encourage voluntary streamside best management practices	<a href="#">Verdell Jackson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Local Government</a>	405	<a href="#">HB 465</a>	Increase certain county clerk fees	<a href="#">Joanne G Blyton</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<a href="#">HB 365</a>	Provide epinephrine standards, options for emergency responders	<a href="#">Tom Steenberg</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety</a>	317	<a href="#">HB 84</a>	Revise 72-hour presumptive eligibility requirements for crisis stabilization	<a href="#">Pat Noonan</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">HB 552</a>	Revise laws related to the Legislature and TVMT	<a href="#">Reilly Neill</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">SR 23</a>	Confirm Governor's appointees to board of veterans' affairs	<a href="#">Ron Arthun</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) State Administration</a>	335	<a href="#">SR 25</a>	Confirm Governor's appt as director of military affairs and adjutant general	<a href="#">Ron Arthun</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.

<b>MACo RESOLUTIONS &amp; ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION</b>				
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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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.			



**MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)**

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 194</a> <a href="#">LC1145</a>	Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws	<a href="#">2012-07</a>	Pat Ingraham	(S) Returned to House with Amendments
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."				
<a href="#">HB 206</a> <a href="#">LC1064</a>	Increase justice court filing fees	<a href="#">2012-09</a>	Kelly Flynn	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
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 EFFECTIVE DATE AND 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	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways and Transportation 03/19/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
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 SECTIONS 61-10-109, 61-10-121, AND 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	(S) Rereferred to (S) Local Government
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; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
<a href="#">HB 325</a> <a href="#">LC0736</a>	Revising legal holiday laws	<a href="#">2012-10</a>	Keith Regier	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING WHAT IS CONSIDERED A HOLIDAY IF A LEGAL HOLIDAY FALLS ON A SATURDAY; AND AMENDING SECTION 1-1-216, MCA."				
<a href="#">HB 371</a> <a href="#">LC1286</a>	Revise county public auction laws	<a href="#">2012-06</a>	Pat Ingraham	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Local Gov.
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE DOLLAR AMOUNT BELOW WHICH A COUNTY MAY PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AT PUBLIC AUCTION; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-5-2303, MCA."				
<a href="#">HB 510</a> <a href="#">LC0496</a>	Eliminate requirement for annual absentee forms	<a href="#">2012-01</a>	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/14/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REPLACING MANDATORY ANNUAL ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST ADDRESS CONFIRMATION PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS WITH OPTIONAL BIENNIAL PROCEDURES; AMENDING THE STANDARD VOTER REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST APPLICATION; ALLOWING ELECTORS TO REQUEST REMOVAL FROM THE ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST; AND AMENDING SECTIONS <del>13-1-210</del> , 13-13-212; AND 13-21-210, MCA."				
<a href="#">SB 72</a> <a href="#">LC0724</a>	Revise the livestock per-capita assessment date	<a href="#">2012-11</a>	Debby Barrett	Chapter Number Assigned
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	(H) Committee Executive Action-- Bill Concurred -- (H) Local Gov.
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	(H) Hearing – (H) Transportation 03/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING SPECIAL FUEL USER PERMIT LAWS; REPEALING THE SPECIAL FUEL USER'S PERMIT; 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; 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."				

## MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<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	(H) Committee Executive Action-Bill Concurred -- (H) Local Gov.
	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) Transmitted to House
	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="#">SB 239</a> <a href="#">LC0734</a>	Generally revise tax increment financing districts	<a href="#">2010-19</a>	Edward Buttrey	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/13/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT LAWS; PROVIDING FOR CREATION OF TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS; ALLOWING COUNTIES TO CREATE TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS AND TO USE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING; <del>ADDING COMPONENTS THAT MUST BE INCLUDED IN AN URBAN RENEWAL PLAN; PROVIDING THAT ANY PORTION OF THE INCREMENT REMITTED TO A TAXING BODY MUST BE USED TO REDUCE AD VALOREM TAXES AND MAY NOT REDUCE FUTURE LEVY AUTHORITY;</del> REMOVING PROVISIONS FOR CREATION OF AND BONDING IN TECHNOLOGY DISTRICTS, AEROSPACE TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY DISTRICTS, AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4282, 7-15-4283, 7-15-4284, <del>7-15-4285</del> , 7-15-4286, <del>7-15-4287</del> , 7-15-4288, <del>7-15-4289</del> , 7-15-4290, <del>7-15-4291</del> , 7-15-4292, 7-15-4293, 7-15-4294, 7-15-4301, 7-15-4302, 7-15-4304, <del>7-15-4305</del> , <del>7-15-4306</del> , <del>7-15-4322</del> , AND 7-15-4324, 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."			
<a href="#">SB 301</a> <a href="#">LC1315</a>	Revise noxious weed laws	<a href="#">2012-14</a>	Terry Murphy	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL LAWS; CLARIFYING PROCEDURES; REVISING TIME PERIODS FOR COMPLIANCE; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-22-2117, 7-22-2144, 7-22-2146, AND 7-22-2148, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-22-2123 AND 7-22-2124, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
<a href="#">SB 332</a> <a href="#">LC1315</a>	Generally revise open-cut laws	<a href="#">2012-15</a>	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING OPENCUT MINING LAWS; REQUIRING NOTICE OF INSPECTIONS; REVISING NOTICE AND HEARING PROVISIONS; REQUIRING FEE FOR MATERIALS MINED ILLEGALLY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS <del>7-14-2124</del> , 82-4-403, 82-4-425, 82-4-427, 82-4-431, 82-4-432, 82-4-433, <del>82-4-434</del> , AND 82-4-437, MCA."			
<a href="#">LC0735</a>	Allow Montana businesses to participate in technology districts	<a href="#">2010-22</a>	Edward Buttrey	Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON A BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION IN A TECHNOLOGY DISTRICT REGARDING THE PERCENTAGE OF SALES THAT MUST OCCUR OUTSIDE MONTANA; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-15-4295, MCA."			
<a href="#">LC1065</a>	Generally revise emergency medical service laws	<a href="#">2012-05</a>	David E Wanzenried	Draft Canceled*
	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 On Hold
	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="#">LC1296</a>	Revise public safety communication laws	<a href="#">2012-17</a>	Steve Lavin	Draft Back for Redo
	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="#">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 RESOLUTIONS/LEGISLATION THAT MISSED TRANSMITTAL DEADLINE

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 326</a> <a href="#">LC0441</a>	Require state coordination with local governments when requested	<a href="#">2012-20</a>	Kelly Flynn	(H) Missed Deadline for General Bill Transmittal*
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A COUNTY TO ESTABLISH COORDINATING COUNTY STATUS WITH STATE AGENCIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROVIDING A PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING THE STATUS; REQUIRING AN AGENCY IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY TO COORDINATE, HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS, AND CONSULT WITH COUNTY OFFICIALS PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN POLICIES OR REGULATIONS; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION FOR EMERGENCIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 2</a>	General Appropriations Act	Duane Ankney	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Appropriations
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; <del>ESTABLISHING A BALANCED 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; ACCEPTING THE JUNE 30, 2012, UNASSIGNED GENERAL FUND BALANCE THAT WAS ESTABLISHED BASED ON GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.</del> "			
<a href="#">HB 11</a>	Treasure state endowment program	Steve Gibson	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
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; <u>PROVIDING FOR A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND TO THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND TO THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> "			
<a href="#">HB 16</a>	Revise involuntary commitment and emergency detention laws	Ellie Boldman Hill	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/11/2013; 10:00 AM, Rm 303
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 <del>IF THE PERSON IS SUBSTANTIALLY UNABLE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERSON'S OWN BASIC NEEDS IN CERTAIN CASES;</del> 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	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/06/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
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) Signed by Governor
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, 7-11-1025, 20-9-152, AND 20-15-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.			

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 53</a>	Revise State Administration and Veteran Affairs statutory duties	Pat Ingraham	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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."		
<a href="#">HB 91</a>	Modify and expand public employee 457 deferred compensation program	Ryan Lynch	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	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) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
	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	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 122</a>	Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems	Bryce Bennett	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/08/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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."		
<a href="#">HB 167</a>	Generally revise the teachers' retirement system	Bryce Bennett	(H) Tabled in 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) Tabled in 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 234</a>	Revise definition of compensation in police and fire retirement systems	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Tabled in 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) Tabled in 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="#">HB 314</a>	Revising special district laws	Doug Kary	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS GOVERNING SPECIAL DISTRICTS; ALLOWING A GOVERNING BODY TO ORDER A REFERENDUM ON THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT; REVISING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIATING THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT BY PETITION; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF TIME A CLERK OF A GOVERNING BODY HAS TO CERTIFY OR REJECT A PETITION; REQUIRING THAT MAPS OF PROPOSED BOUNDARIES BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT A CERTAIN TIME; CLARIFYING WHO MUST RECEIVE NOTICE OF PASSAGE OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CREATE A SPECIAL DISTRICT; REVISING THE DEADLINE FOR PROTESTING A PROPOSED DISTRICT AND SUFFICIENCY OF PROTEST; <u>REQUIRING A PROTEST FORM TO BE SENT TO PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE PROPOSED DISTRICT</u> ; REQUIRING A REFERENDUM UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING CREATION OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REVISING THE DEADLINE BY WHICH THE GOVERNING BODY MUST ESTIMATE COSTS OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT; LIMITING THE AMOUNT A GOVERNING BODY MAY CHARGE TO ADMINISTER A SPECIAL DISTRICT; <u>REVISING SPECIAL DISTRICT COST ESTIMATE AND ASSESSMENT DATES</u> ; <del>PROHIBITING CERTAIN SPECIAL DISTRICTS FROM MAKING ASSESSMENTS UNTIL COMPLYING WITH THE ACT</del> ; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1003, 7-11-1006, 7-11-1007, 7-11-1008, 7-11-1011, 7-11-1013, 7-11-1021, 7-11-1023, AND 7-11-1025, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE <u>AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE</u> ."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 338</a>	Provide funding for pension debts, all new hires to DC plan	Keith Regier	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT LAWS; REQUIRING THAT ALL NEW PUBLIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OR TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND VOLUNTEERS UNDER THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT BECOME MEMBERS OF A STATEWIDE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN; REVISING MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD; TEMPORARILY INCREASING EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS', SHERIFFS', GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS', AND TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; SUSPENDING GUARANTEED ANNUAL BENEFIT ADJUSTMENTS EXCEPT IN THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REVISING EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES AND THE ALLOCATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS WITHIN THE STATEWIDE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE, STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE, AND REVENUE AND TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE; PROVIDING STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS FROM COAL SEVERANCE TAX REVENUE AND THE GENERAL FUND TO PAY DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNFUNDED LIABILITIES; REQUIRING ACTUARIAL REPORTS TO INCLUDE A PROJECTION OF THE DOLLAR AMOUNT THAT SHOULD BE ANNUALLY APPROPRIATED TO PAY OFF DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNFUNDED LIABILITIES BY A SPECIFIED DATE; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-15-1009, 5-5-227, 5-5-228, 5-12-205, 7-32-4132, 15-35-108, 17-7-502, 19-2-302, 19-2-303, 19-2-405, 19-2-407, 19-2-408, 19-2-715, 19-2-1004, 19-3-103, 19-3-112, 19-3-201, 19-3-203, 19-3-315, 19-3-316, 19-3-319, 19-3-401, 19-3-412, 19-3-1605, 19-3-2101, 19-3-2102, 19-3-2106, 19-3-2111, 19-3-2112, 19-3-2114, 19-3-2115, 19-3-2116, 19-3-2126, 19-3-2141, 19-5-301, <del>19-5-901</del>, <del>19-5-902</del>, 19-6-301, 19-6-402, 19-6-710, 19-6-711, 19-7-301, 19-7-403, 19-7-711, 19-7-801, 19-8-301, 19-8-302, 19-8-502, 19-8-1105, 19-9-207, 19-9-301, 19-9-1009, 19-9-1010, 19-9-1013, 19-13-210, 19-13-211, 19-13-301, 19-13-1010, 19-13-1011, 19-17-102, 19-17-301, 19-20-201, 19-20-302, 19-20-417, 19-20-602, 19-20-719, 19-21-214, 20-9-501, 25-13-608, AND 44-1-518, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 19-3-202, 19-3-522, 19-3-909, 19-3-1016, 19-3-1112, 19-3-1212, 19-3-1502, 19-3-1607, 19-3-2103, 19-3-2113, 19-3-2117, 19-3-2121, AND 19-17-205, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 382</a>	Provide coal tax funding for actuarially unsound retirement systems	Liz Bangerter	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT A PORTION OF THE EXPENDABLE PORTION OF COAL SEVERANCE TAX COLLECTIONS BE STATUTORILY APPROPRIATED TO THE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNTIL THE FUNDS ARE ACTUARILLY SOUND; AMENDING SECTION 15-35-108; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 396</a>	Revise laws regarding translocation of wild buffalo/bison	Mike Lang	(S) Hearing – (S) Fish and Game 03/19/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
<p>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 RELEASE, TRANSPLANTATION, OR RELOCATION 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."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 450</a>	Revise medical insurance and medical payment laws	Roger A Hagan	(H) Transmitted to Senate
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES REGARDING INSURANCE PAYERS FOR MEDICAL CARE AFTER MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 452</a>	Assist with impacts of natural resource development	Rob Cook	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ADDRESS INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACTS; ALLOWING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACT AREA; ALLOWING FOR THE COLLECTION OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACT FEE; ESTABLISHING FACILITIES SUBJECT TO THE FEE; LIMITING THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND USE OF A FEE BY A GOVERNING BODY; PROVIDING FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF AN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACT AREA; ALLOWING FOR BONDING; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>			

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 454</a>	Provide funding for the public employees' retirement system defined benefit plan	Bill McChesney	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; PROVIDING THAT THE UNALLOCATED PORTION OF COAL SEVERANCE TAX COLLECTIONS IS STATUTORILY APPROPRIATED TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF INTEREST INCOME FROM THE COAL TAX PERMANENT FUND AND PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION OF A PORTION OF THE INTEREST INCOME TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN; AMENDING THE TERMINATION DATE FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN MONEY FROM THE COAL SEVERANCE TAX BOND FUND TO THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT FUND AND THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM FUND; TEMPORARILY INCREASING EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; <u>REVISING THE GUARANTEED ANNUAL BENEFIT ADJUSTMENT FOR NEW AND CURRENT MEMBERS</u>; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH YEAR OF THE BIENNIUM; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-35-108, 17-5-703, 19-3-315, 19-3-316, <u>19-3-1605</u>, AND 19-3-2117, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 6, CHAPTER 495, LAWS OF 1999, AND SECTIONS 15 AND 16, CHAPTER 389, LAWS OF 2011; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 526</a>	Require a final notice from the county treasurer prior to issuance of a tax deed	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE COUNTY TREASURER TO ISSUE A FINAL NOTICE THAT A TAX DEED MAY BE ISSUED; PROVIDING THAT THE FINAL NOTICE IS ISSUED FOR A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY WITH AN OWNER-OCCUPIED DWELLING; REQUIRING THE COUNTY SHERIFF TO DELIVER THE FINAL NOTICE AND A WRITTEN SUMMARY REGARDING THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OBSERVATIONS TO THE COUNTY TREASURER; EXTENDING THE TIME OF REDEMPTION OF A PROPERTY TAX LIEN FOR AN OWNER AND CERTAIN INTERESTED PARTIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-18-111, 15-18-211, AND 15-18-212, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 540</a>	Revise state emergency system laws to distribute unrecovered funds	Steve Lavin	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, & Telecom. 03/06/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE STATE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM LAWS TO REQUIRE THAT FUNDS UNRECOVERED BY WIRELESS PROVIDERS BE DISTRIBUTED TO 9-1-1 JURISDICTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 10-4-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 553</a>	Generally revise gravel permit permitting process	David Halvorson	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING OPENCUT MINING LAWS; ALLOWING OPENCUT OPERATIONS TO MINE UNDER A CONDITIONAL PERMIT DURING THE PERMIT REVIEW PERIOD; AND AMENDING <del>SECTION</del> <u>SECTIONS 82-4-422 AND 82-4-432</u>, MCA."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 572</a>	Creating the Montana Right to Know Act	Bryce Bennett	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/12/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE MONTANA RIGHT TO KNOW ACT; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; REQUIRING ENTITIES TO ACCOUNT FOR DISCLOSURES OF INFORMATION; PROVIDING AN INDIVIDUAL WITH ACCESS TO PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTED BY OTHER ENTITIES; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS TO DISCLOSURE; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES."</p>			
<a href="#">HB 590</a>	Implement the Access Health Montana Program	Chuck Hunter	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO HEALTH CARE; REVISING MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS; EXPANDING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM TO COVER NONDISABLED, NONELDERLY, AND NONPREGNANT ADULTS; ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL HOME PROGRAM AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE; CREATING A SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS AND STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 53-6-131, 53-6-132, AND 53-6-133, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 53-2-103 AND 53-6-121, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A CONTINGENT TERMINATION DATE."</p>			

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<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	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ELECTRONIC RECORDS FOR A COUNTY MAY BE STORED AT A LOCATION SEPARATE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-5-2131 AND 7-5-2133, MCA.		
<a href="#">SB 19</a>	Define combined appropriation for exempt wells	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	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) Sent to Enrolling
	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 54</a>	Require worker's compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters	Tom Facey	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; <del>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, <del>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.</del></del> "		
<a href="#">SB 55</a>	Clarify coverage of routine costs for patients in approved clinical trials	Christine Kaufmann	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
	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	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/05/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	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, <del>AND 15-10-305, 85-7-2136, AND 85-6-601, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE A DELAYED</del> EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 67</a>	Revise certain statutory report requirements to the legislature	Kendall Van Dyk	(H) Committee Executive Action--Bill Concurred – (H) State Administration
	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	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RAISING FROM \$50,000 TO <del>\$100,000</del> \$80,000 THE CONTRACT AMOUNT ON CERTAIN MUNICIPAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL PURCHASE AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS THAT REQUIRE USE OF THE COMPETITIVE, ADVERTISED BIDDING PROCESS; AMENDING SECTION SECTIONS 7-5-2301, 7-5-4302, AND 20-9-204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 82</a>	Require PERS new hires to be in DC plan	Dave Lewis	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
	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	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred – (H) Transportation
	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	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/13/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	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."		
<a href="#">SB 333</a>	Establish cash balance benefit tier in TRS and PERS for new hires	Ron Arthun	(S) Rereferred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; ESTABLISHING A CASH BALANCE BENEFIT TIER FOR NEW MEMBERS IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; SPECIFYING MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA; ESTABLISHING MEMBER RIGHTS AND BENEFITS; SPECIFYING RETIREMENT BOARD DUTIES AND AUTHORIZING RULEMAKING; REQUIRING EACH RETIREMENT BOARD TO SEEK A RULING FROM THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION PROVISIONS GOVERNING THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-710, 19-3-108, 19-3-315, 19-3-401, 19-3-522, 19-3-901, 19-3-902, 19-3-904, 19-3-906, 19-3-909, 19-3-1002, 19-3-1016, 19-3-1112, 19-3-1202, 19-3-1203, 19-3-1204, 19-3-1205, 19-3-1607, 19-20-101, 19-20-102, 19-20-104, 19-20-702, 19-20-716, 19-20-719, 19-20-731, 19-20-732, 19-20-733, 19-20-805, 19-20-1001, AND 19-20-1002, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
<a href="#">SB 376</a>	Executive budget proposal to include actuarial funding for pension systems	Larry Jent	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING ACTUARIAL FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; REQUIRING THAT ANY SHORTFALL IN THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS ARE ACTUARIALLY SOUND MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-111 AND 17-7-122, MCA."		
<a href="#">SR 22</a>	Confirm Governor's appointees to public employee retirement board	Ron Arthun	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCURRING IN, CONFIRMING, AND CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND SUBMITTED BY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION DATED JANUARY 16, 2013, TO THE SENATE.		

## MACo WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 03/15/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 102
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Rob Cook	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/12/2013; 11:00 AM, Rm 317
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Rob Cook	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/12/2013; 11:00 AM, Rm 317
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Rob Cook	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 03/06/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Appropriations
HB 10	Long-range information technology appropriations	JP Pomnichowski	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 03/12/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 12	Appropriate funds for provider payments	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
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) Approps. 03/12/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 19	Revise penalty and interest provisions related to tax law enforcement	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 21	Generally revise statutory appropriation laws	Rob Cook	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 22	Generally revise state auditor laws on insurance	Kimberly Dudik	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/20/2013; 08:30 AM, Rm 422
HB 30	Revise late registration laws	Ted Washburn	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/08/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 35	Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments	Mike Miller	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 36	Remove statutory references to local government severance tax	Carlie Boland	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 37	Allow temporary leasing of water rights	Bill McChesney	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 39	Revise school finance laws to correct implementation problems	Bill McChesney	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 42	Revise laws related to destruction of property by minors	Keith Regier	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 48	Revise Insure Montana laws	Bill McChesney	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 50	Prohibit immigration anticooperation policies by local governments	David Howard	(S) Returned to House with Amendments
HB 54	Revise teacher's retirement system administrative and tax qualification laws	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/06/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 59	Revise title of governor's drought advisory committee	Ryan Lynch	(S) Returned to House
HB 66	Allow for electronic service of notices of levy and writs of execution	Brian Hoven	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Taxation
HB 71	Clarifying restorative justice laws and establish grant program	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(S) Committee Report- -Bill Concurred as Amended -- (S) Judiciary
HB 72	Allow restorative justice as condition of suspended or deferred sentence	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/15/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 74	Require disclosure of child abuse to DPHHS to law enforcement in all cases	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 77	Revise public assistance laws relating to counties	Pat Ingraham	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 79	Constitutional referendum to rename the State Auditor	Tom Berry	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 82	Revise applicability of extraterritorial worker's compensation agreements	Scott Reichner	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 84	Revise 72-hour presumptive eligibility requirements for crisis stabilization	Pat Noonan	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 87	Provide state insurance commissioner with health insurance rate review authority	Jeffrey W Welborn	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 89	Allow de minimus refund of abandoned property or closed estates	Ryan Lynch	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 90	Increase university system supplemental contributions rate to TRS	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 99	Appropriate TANF funds for out-of-school food support activities	Pat Noonan	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 100	Create a medicaid pay-for-performance pilot project	Ron Ehli	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 106	Generally revise water use laws	Pat Connell	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 107	Revise laws related to legal counsel representation in abuse and neglect cases	Ryan Lynch	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 108	Revise registration and proof of identity requirements for voting	Ted Washburn	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 111	Repeal business equipment tax reduction for value-added manufacturing	Mike Miller	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 112	Improve actuarial funding for teachers' retirement system	Jean Price	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 114	Clarify garbage types for animal feed	Christy Clark	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 120	Generally revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 121	Revise property valuation laws for tax purposes for certain timber lands	Pat Ingraham	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 124	Clarify exemption for school districts and special districts in elections	Jesse O'Hara	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 125	Clarify when candidate's name is held off the ballot	Jesse O'Hara	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 126	Generally revise ballot issues and petition statutes	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 129	Revise campaign finance and disclosure laws	Steve Gibson	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred -- (S) Judiciary
HB 130	Revise uninsured employer's fund laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/15/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 139	Update laws governing law enforcement communications system	Steve Lavin	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 142	Restore Dingell-Johnson fish restoration and management funding assent language	Pat Connell	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 145	Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Accountability Act	Bill Harris	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 146	Generally revise laws related to solid waste licenses and fees	Kris Hansen	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended -- (S) Local Government
HB 148	Clarifying local government authority to regulate amateur radio operators	Pat Connell	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 152	Provide deadlines for governing bodies to review tax exemption applications	Steve Fitzpatrick	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 154	Enable county attorney to act as legal advisor to irrigation board if requested	David (Doc) Moore	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Local Government
HB 158	Require agencies to present proposed rules to interim committees	Doug Kary	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 160	Require that aquatic invasive programs be funded by state general fund	Ted Washburn	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 162	Revise state employee health insurance program laws	Kelly Flynn	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 168	Revise DUI laws for THC	David (Doc) Moore	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/15/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 169	Allow growth policy to be used for coordination	Kerry White	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 174	Provide for a property tax freeze for Montanans age 65 or older or disabled	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 176	Increase amount of oil and nat. gas prod. taxes retained by school district	David Halvorson	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 177	Requiring school districts to budget 25% of total oil and nat. gas prod. taxes	David Halvorson	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 195	Revise laws related to taxation of certain forest land	Pat Ingraham	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 03/07/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 200	Revise election laws; prohibit certain electioneering	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/08/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 202	Revise laws related to the deposit and investment of public money	Roger A Hagan	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 203	Revise direct state aid to public libraries	Christy Clark	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended – (S) Finance and Claims
HB 208	Providing immunity for solid waste management system	Jerry O'Neil	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/27/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
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 226	Exempt computer professionals from overtime pay	Donald W Jones	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 03/07/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 228	Exempt certain schools from oil and gas tax allocations and limit provisions	Lee Randall	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 230	Generally revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 232	Strengthen exclusive remedy laws in workers' compensation	Austin Knudsen	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/06/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 233	Generally revise 24/7 sobriety program	Steve Lavin	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/25/2013; 09:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 244	Create malicious placement law	Pat Connell	(H) Missed Deadline for General Bill Transmittal*
HB 245	Authorize counties to dedicate park land	Champ Edmunds	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred – (S) Local Government
HB 250	Require navigator, insurance producer certification for exchanges	Liz Bangerter	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/14/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 251	Revise date absentee ballots are available	Pat Ingraham	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.
HB 252	Revise notary public journal storage to secretary of state's office	Pat Ingraham	(S) Returned to House
HB 253	Increase contributions to the U-System's Optional Retirement Program	Bill McChesney	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 261	Revise unemployment insurance laws for business impacted by natural disaster	Tom Berry	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 269	Assault on health care or emergency services provider	Kathy Swanson	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 276	Generally revise DUI laws	Champ Edmunds	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 280	Authorize choice for out-of-state health care insurance	Cary Smith	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
HB 296	Revise when ballots may be prepared for counting	Pat Ingraham	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended – (S) State Administration

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 297	Provide that employment of an unauthorized alien is unlawful	David Howard	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/15/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 301	Revise school bonding limits	David Halvorson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
HB 303	Federal law enforcement officers should communicate with sheriff	Krayton Kerns	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Judiciary
HB 304	Generally revise concealed weapons laws	Krayton Kerns	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/18/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 316	Revise fuel tax revenue to fund local public transportation	Nancy Wilson	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 320	Change name of optional retirement system	Bryce Bennett	(S) Rereferred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 323	Add grizzly bear livestock losses to the livestock loss program	Mike Cuffe	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 03/05/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 329	Prohibit state employees from being lobbyists	Randy Brodehl	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 332	Revise tax laws to increase the business equipment tax threshold	Mary McNally	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 334	Revise department of transportation contracting laws	Jennifer Eck	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 336	Generally revise highway patrol retirement system laws	Steve Gibson	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 345	Revise false claims act	Cary Smith	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary
HB 346	Revise laws governing use of dyed fuels	Daniel R Salomon	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
HB 352	Revise justice court laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/13/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 354	Establish a wildfire project suppression fund	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/12/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 361	Providing a property tax rebate	Chuck Hunter	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 365	Provide epinephrine standards, options for emergency responders	Tom Steenberg	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 367	Generally revise motor vehicle salvage title laws	Jonathan McNiven	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 369	Revise laws for courts of limited jurisdiction	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/13/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 373	Revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 03/19/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 377	Increase contributions and funding for TRS, revise GABA	Tom Woods	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions
HB 380	Provide for public library notification and exemption from county taxes	Ed Lieser	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 395	Revising membership of livestock loss board	Kirk Wagoner	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 03/12/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 400	Revise laws related to personal information privacy	Daniel Zolnikov	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 403	Revising fees collected by district court clerks	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 408	Revise tax rate laws on mandated pollution control equipment	Mike Miller	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 410	Third party voter registration integrity preservation	Ted Washburn	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 413	Referendum on eminent domain laws	Kelly Flynn	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
HB 414	Permit registration of motor vehicle to those having a place of abode in Montana	Brian Hoven	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 03/07/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 417	Revise eminent domain laws related to due process	Kelly Flynn	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 03/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 421	Revise law pertaining to abandoned vehicles	Joanne G Blyton	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/27/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 422	Generally revise junk vehicle program laws	Joanne G Blyton	(S) Committee Report-- Bill Concurred -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 431	Revise laws related to surface owner damage and disruption compensation	Austin Knudsen	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 03/26/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 434	Revise DUI penalty laws	Tom Woods	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 435	Revise laws related to coal board grants and railroad quiet zones	Bill McChesney	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 437	Allow county to create improvement district for certain purposes	Jonathan McNiven	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 439	Require inspection for large scale commercial dog breeders	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Agriculture
HB 442	Increase vehicle damage reporting requirement	Lee Randall	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 03/19/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 443	Revise termination and authorization of tax increment financing	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/18/2013; 9:30 am, Rm 152
HB 451	Revise firewarden laws	Wylie Galt	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 455	Revise law for the reissuance of title for abandoned vehicles	Joanne G Blyton	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/21/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 458	Implement the Medicaid expansion	Pat Noonan	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 03/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 461	Increase pension for certain volunteer firefighters	Ed Lieser	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 462	Revise lien laws for due process considerations	Donald W Jones	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 03/15/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 464	Generally revise laws related to prevailing wage	Christy Clark	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 465	Increase certain county clerk fees	Joanne G Blyton	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 468	Encourage manufacture of ammunition in Montana to ensure availability	Alan Doane	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 469	Allow arbitration for disputes relating to construction liens	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 472	Reduce business equipment taxes by increasing the exemption	Gerald (Jerry) Bennett	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 03/15/2013; 8:30 am, Rm 102
HB 482	Generally revise laws related to the board of investments to create a state bank	Kelly McCarthy	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 485	Revise landlord tenant laws to expand Justice Court jurisdiction	Steve Lavin	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/19/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 489	An act to create the Montana health care database	Chuck Hunter	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps.
HB 499	Amending conveyance exemptions for subdivision regulations	Ellie Boldman Hill	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/20/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 509	Provide for prepaid wireless 911 service charge	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 03/08/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 517	Revise natural resources operation account revenue sources	Mike Cuffe	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Appropriations
HB 520	Legislative constitutional referendum to extend legislator terms	Kris Hansen	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 532	Revise income tax using a flat tax rate and a tie to federal taxable income	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/14/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 542	Revise speed limit laws	Amanda Curtis	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 544	Revising insurance provisions related to provider networks	Scott Reichner	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 547	Agency coordination of permits for large-scale projects	Carl Glimm	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 548	Increase truck speed limits by removing special restrictions	Daniel Zolnikov	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 558	Revise road laws related to aggregate stabilization	Dennis R Lenz	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 559	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Liz Bangerter	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 562	Revise subdivision laws	Kathy Swanson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 564	Revise district court venue laws	Champ Edmunds	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
HB 569	Generally revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/13/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 573	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Roger A Hagan	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 575	Generally revise 9-1-1 laws	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 03/06/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 576	Higher education scholarship program for residents	Greg Hertz	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 581	Revise income tax using a tie to federal taxable income and repealing credits	Kris Hansen	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/15/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 583	Establish Montana Suicide Review Team	Rob Cook	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 584	Revise highway right-of-way laws related to easement purchases	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 585	Revise rental car tax	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 586	Revise aquatic invasive species laws	Mike Cuffe	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 03/15/2013; 8:30 am, Rm 102
HB 587	Generally revise carbon based fuel taxation laws	Douglas Coffin	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications 03/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 589	Establish an oil and gas trust fund	Tom Jacobson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/22/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 593	Revise DOR laws for calculating soil type and productivity values on range land	Kirk Wagoner	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 594	Provide for infrastructure oil and gas impact fund for local government	David Halvorson	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HJ 2	Interim study investigating state/local gov electronic records management	Galen Hollenbaugh	(S) Committee Report-- Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.
HR 1	House Rules Resolution	Cary Smith	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
HR 4	House resolution opposing the Federal Forest Jobs and Recreation Act	Kerry White	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 03/26/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 16	Revise tax increment financing laws related to distribution	Dick Barrett	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 24	Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel operations	Matthew M Rosendale	(H) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (H) Natural Resources
SB 27	Revise Insure Montana laws to expand small employer definition	Cliff Larsen	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 30	Revise big sky trust fund wage rate laws	Edward Buttrey	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 33	Revise disaster relief expenditure laws	Larry Jent	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/13/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 34	Create unclaimed life insurance benefits act	Mary Caferro	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred – (H) Business and Labor
SB 35	Revise statutory requirements for notarization of certain documents	Jim Keane	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
SB 39	Eliminate DNRC report on wildland/urban interface designation	Chas Vincent	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 40	Generally revising provisions governing subdivision review	Edward Buttrey	(H) Returned to Senate with Amendments
SB 41	Prohibiting consideration of future subdivision impact	Edward Buttrey	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 48	Establish regional water system rate process	Greg Jergeson	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 49	Revise laws regarding reporting to the legislative finance committee	Rick Ripley	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 53	Revise penalties for certain misdemeanor offenses	Robyn Driscoll	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 57	Adopt certain uniform laws commission language for military/overseas ballots	Larry Jent	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/07/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 65	Revise laws relating to confidentiality of child abuse and neglect reports	Art Wittich	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 66	Clarify MAPA with respect to adoptions by reference in administrative rules	Ron Arthun	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) State Administration
SB 71	Code commissioner bill	Mitch Tropila	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 73	Repeal DARE program	Christine Kaufmann	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 84	Establish standards and structure for patient-centered medical homes	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 96	Lower the business and equipment tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 97	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) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
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	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 114	Eliminate certain charges for motor vehicle registration	Janna Taylor	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 121	Generally revise laws related to contracts	Jennifer Fielder	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 122	Generally revise election laws regarding local nonpartisan elections	Tom Facey	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/13/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 127	Revise unemployment law, revise def. of misconduct	Edward Buttrey	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/15/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 128	Revise when unemployment insurance rates not affected by benefits paid	Edward Buttrey	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/15/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 131	Constitutional amendment to adopt of the revenue estimate by the legislature	David E Wanzonried	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
SB 137	Revise local government laws relate to property environmental clean-up	Alan Olson	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred – (H) Natural Resources
SB 138	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/12/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 141	Revise definitions for certain common carrier pipelines	Alan Olson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 143	Revise bison management	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 01/31/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 144	Generally revise noxious weed trust fund laws	Jon C Sesso	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 03/12/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 145	Require all information on a concealed weapon permit application confidential	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Sent to Enrolling
SB 146	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agency comment	Edward Buttrey	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 147	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agriculture	Edward Buttrey	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 03/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172



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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 148	Limit lost wage and benefit award for wrongful discharge to 2 yrs from discharge	Llew Jones	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/08/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 157	Provide withholding of taxes on gain from sales of real estate by nonresidents	Dick Barrett	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
SB 159	Revise traumatic brain injury contribution on vehicle registration to opt-out	Bradley Hamlett	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
SB 166	Waive vehicle registration fees for disabled public safety officers/firefighters	Dick Barrett	(S) 3rd Reading Failed*
SB 169	Revise payments by FVP to counties for land	John Brenden	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
SB 172	Revise laws related to dental insurance plans and services	Edward Walker	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 173	Generally revising state workers' compensation insurance fund laws	Jim Keane	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 175	Generally revise public education funding	Llew Jones	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 176	Generally revise voting requirements and procedures for non-profit organizations	Jim Peterson	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/11/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 185	Revise veteran public employment hiring laws	Jon C Sesso	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/14/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 194	Restrict the use of strip and body cavity searches	Anders Blewett	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 03/15/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 195	Revise laws protecting job applicant/employee privacy related to social media	Anders Blewett	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/14/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 196	Generally revise criminal laws	Matthew M Rosendale	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 03/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 201	Revise laws on rural/urban interface and fire protection	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 202	Revise traffic laws	Christine Kaufmann	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended -- (H) Transportation
SB 207	Adopt Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act	Kendall Van Dyk	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 03/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
SB 209	Authorize resort area district to issue bonds and pledge resort tax revenue	Ron Arthun	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 03/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 217	Revise laws governing watershed protection	Bradley Hamlett	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 223	Require plan for terminating Montana comprehensive health association laws	Mary Caferro	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 225	Generally revise tow truck laws	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 226	Revise laws relating to dyed diesel and vehicles dedicated to animal husbandry	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation
SB 231	Revise tax exemption laws regarding tribal recreational property	Shannon Augare	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 03/21/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 232	Revise tax exemption laws regarding sacred sites	Shannon Augare	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
SB 237	Require land board approval of land purchases	John Brenden	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 240	Revise taxation of pollution control equipment	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (S) Taxation
SB 252	Generally revise irrigation district laws related to elections	Matthew M Rosendale	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 254	Plan for closure of Montana Developmental Center	Mary Caferro	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/08/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 258	Name the justice building after Joe Mazurek	Art Wittich	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 270	Require insurance coverage of telemedicine services	Edward Buttrey	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/11/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 271	Generally revise county sewer and water district laws	Fred Thomas	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 280	Allow mediation for dispute of property valuation	Fred Thomas	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/19/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 282	Generally revise taxation of income, including the corporate license tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 287	Replace residential property tax assistance with property tax circuit breaker	Dick Barrett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/20/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 288	Revise condemnation procedures	Chas Vincent	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
SB 290	Revise county zoning regarding notice of change of use	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 292	Revise medical peer review laws to clarify definitions	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 293	Require certain water and sanitation information at subdivision preapplication	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Concurred -- (H) Local Gov.
SB 295	Eliminate oil & gas "tax holiday" and provide money for impacts and renewables	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 03/05/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 297	Revise laws related to health care provider service payments	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 03/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 304	Establish the firearm protection act	Roger Webb	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 305	Generally revise laws governing bison management in Montana	Jim Peterson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 312	Revise state information technology policy	Jon Sonju	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 03/12/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 316	Generally revise subdivision laws regarding encroachment onto private property	Jennifer Fielder	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 323	Revise workers' compensation laws on prescribing schedule II and III drugs	Fred Thomas	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 03/15/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 324	Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements	Matthew M Rosendale	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 344	Public scoping process for FWP land acquisitions	Chas Vincent	(H) Hearing – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 345	Revise laws related to liability for forest and range fires	Chas Vincent	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/13/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 346	Revise exempt well laws	Chas Vincent	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 348	Providing for an act for Montana school safety	Fred Thomas	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources
SB 352	Raise county population for certificate of need for ambulatory surgery centers	Fred Thomas	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 367	Revise laws for DUI violations	Sue Malek	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/18/2013; 09:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 370	Generally revise laws related to the Legislature	Jeff Essmann	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
SB 375	Generally revise Montana campaign laws	Jim Peterson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/14/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 377	Generally revise medical marijuana laws and regulate industry	David E Wanzanried	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/26/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 382	Provide for a state equalized mill for K-12 education	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Taxation

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 383	Generally revise health care insurance laws	David E Wanzenried	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
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	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SJ 14	Resolution requesting an interim study of local government election procedures	Alan Olson	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Local Government
SJ 15	Interim study on public land management	Jennifer Fielder	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 03/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SR 1	Senate Rules Resolution	Art Wittich	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 8	Confirm certain Governor's appointees for health-related boards	Jason Priest	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 03/06/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SR 14	Confirm Governor's appointee to head the department of agriculture	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 03/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SR 15	Resolution to confirm Governor's director of department of transportation	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways and Transportation 03/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SR 16	Confirm Governor's appointee to head the department of revenue	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Committee Report-- Resolution Adopted – (S) Taxation
SR 21	Confirm Governor's appointment for director of DPHHS	Jason Priest	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SR 27	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of the department of corrections	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/22/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SR 28	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of DFWP	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 03/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422

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