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## UPDATE: HOUSE BILL 2, GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

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[House Bill 2](#), General Appropriations Act, continues to lumber along through the 63<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Session, pausing for a long week of examination in the Senate Finance and Claims Committee.

The committee increased the vacancy savings already in existence for state agencies by another 2%, which results in less expenditure, \$21.8 million over the State's two-year budget to all state funds, and \$7.4 million to the general fund.

The bill went to the Senate Floor on April 13 for Second Reading and concurred as amended on a [32-18](#) vote. The federal Title X funds were added in via a floor amendment at approximately \$4.6 million over two years. Another floor amendment that passed related to previous changes in the format of the Secretary of State's budget. The amendment directs a portion of the agency's proprietary funds to be used to pay for the statewide voter registration system. Also, the Department of Revenue received some one-time funds for a small pilot program to revive exempt property records in 4 counties.

Also of note: Minor funding for the Jail Suicide Prevention Program (\$250,000 was allocated to the Department of Public Health & Human Services a grant program) has remained in the bill, along with additional funds for mental health crisis intervention (this money is restoring the funding for bills in 2009—HB 130, 131, and 132—for crisis diversion and community based services). Both measures had strong local government support.

The Senate failed to restore the full \$200K annual appropriation for the Local Government Center (LGC) on a [25-25](#) vote; however, the Senate also did not act on another amendment that would have completely eliminated funding for the LGC: <http://leg2.mt.gov/Amendments/CWS/E/HB0002025CW-E-CL7100.pdf>. Opposing Senators would like to see Local Governments contributing a larger share toward the operations of the LGC. There was no criticism about the services being provided, nor any opposition to the LGC itself.

On April 16 HB 2 passed Third Reading in the Senate on a [30-20](#) vote and was transmitted back to the House. On April 18, the House concurred with the Senate amendments on a [63-37](#) vote, and today it passed Third Reading on a [59-41](#) vote. The bill will now head to the second floor of the Capitol for the Governor's consideration.

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

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## HAPPENINGS FROM TH HILL

### **UPDATED DAILY**

To better keep our members informed of what is occurring at the Montana Capitol, we have been updating our website daily with happenings from the 63<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Session.

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

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# 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).

April 22: Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions  
 April 27: 90th Legislative Day – Sine Die

## SCHEDULED HEARINGS: APRIL 22-APRIL 26, 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, APRIL 22					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
11:00 AM	<a href="#">(S) Free Conference</a>	405	<a href="#">SB 148</a>	Limit lost wage and benefit award for wrongful discharge to 2 yrs from discharge	<a href="#">Llew Jones</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(H) Appropriations</a>	102	<a href="#">SB 394</a>	Generally revise income tax laws and decrease taxes	<a href="#">Art Wittich</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Conference</a>	335	<a href="#">SB 305</a>	Generally revise laws governing bison management in Montana	<a href="#">Jim Peterson</a>
3:00 PM	<a href="#">(S) Free Conference</a>	405	<a href="#">SJ 18</a>	Resolution for lower federal deficit spending and reducing debt	<a href="#">Fred Thomas</a>
3:30 PM	<a href="#">(S) Education and Cultural Resources</a>	303	<a href="#">HJ 30</a>	Interim study on benefits for veterans	<a href="#">Kris Hansen</a>
3:30 PM	<a href="#">(S) Natural Resources</a>	422	<a href="#">HJ 27</a>	Study water policy	<a href="#">Kathleen Williams</a>

TUESDAY, APRIL 23					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
There are no hearings scheduled as of yet.					

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
There are no hearings scheduled as of yet.					

THURSDAY, APRIL 25					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
There are no hearings scheduled as of yet.					

FRIDAY, APRIL 26					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
There are no hearings scheduled as of yet.					

## 2013 PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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

MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION				
Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 164</a> <a href="#">LC1413</a>	Revise when county commissioner district boundaries can be modified	<a href="#">2012-03</a>	Amanda Curtis	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.			
<a href="#">HB 194</a> <a href="#">LC1145</a>	Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws	<a href="#">2012-07</a>	Pat Ingraham	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	(H) 3rd Reading Conference Committee Report Adopted
	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 <u>EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.</u> "			
<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) Tabled in Committee – (S) Highways and Transportation
	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 <del>SECTION</del> <u>SECTIONS 61-10-109, 61-10-121, AND 61-10-126, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.</u> "			
<a href="#">HB 258</a> <a href="#">LC1523</a>	Revise local government laws related to public notice	2012-EC1	Bridget Smith	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE; 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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REPLACING MANDATORY ANNUAL ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST ADDRESS CONFIRMATION PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS WITH 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 13-1-210, 13-13-212, AND 13-21-210, MCA.			

## MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
<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	(S) Transmitted to Governor
	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	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT REVISING SPECIAL FUEL USER PERMIT LAWS; REPEALING THE SPECIAL FUEL USER'S PERMIT; 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.			
<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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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 Governor
	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	(S) Signed by Governor
	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; 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, 7-15-4285, 7-15-4286, 7-15-4287, 7-15-4288, 7-15-4289, 7-15-4290, 7-15-4291, 7-15-4292, 7-15-4293, 7-15-4294, 7-15-4301, 7-15-4302, 7-15-4304, 7-15-4305, 7-15-4306, 7-15-4322, 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	(S) Transmitted to Governor
	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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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 7-14-2124, 82-4-403, 82-4-425, 82-4-427, 82-4-431, 82-4-432, 82-4-433, AND 82-4-437, MCA.			

## MACo RESOLUTIONS/LEGISLATION THAT MISSED TRANSMITTAL DEADLINE

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor
<a href="#">HB 326</a> <a href="#">LC0441</a>	Require state coordination with local governments when requested	<a href="#">2012-20</a>	Kelly Flynn
	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) Sent to Enrolling
	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="#">HB10</a>	Long-range information technology appropriations	JP Pomnichowski	(H) Sent to Enrolling
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; PROVIDING FOR MATTERS RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LONG-RANGE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ACQUISITION OF NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, THE COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">HB11</a>	Treasure state endowment program	Steve Gibson	(H) Sent to Enrolling
	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	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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 IN CERTAIN CASES; 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	Chapter Number Assigned
	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, 76-6-212, 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 47</a>	Revise certain county budgeting deadlines	Edie McClafferty	Chapter Number Assigned
	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.		
<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 78</a>	Clarify break in service requirements for postretirement employment under TRS	Keith Regier	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING BREAK-IN-SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTRETIREMENT EMPLOYMENT IN A POSITION REPORTABLE TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-731 AND 19-20-733, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE.		



## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 91</a>	Modify and expand public employee 457 deferred compensation program	Ryan Lynch	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT MODIFYING AND EXPANDING 457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAMS FOR THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO INCLUDE ROTH ACCOUNTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-50-101 AND 19-50-103, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">HB 95</a>	Require contributions on working retiree compensation	Franke Wilmer	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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 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 REVISING THE COMPENSATION USED TO DETERMINE RETIREMENT BENEFITS IN CERTAIN PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; 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; PROVIDING THAT ELECTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A CERTAIN HEALTH PLAN MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED COMPENSATION IN 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	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO RETIREMENT, DISABILITY, AND DEATH BENEFITS AND PAYMENTS; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP, SERVICE CREDIT, AND REEMPLOYMENT; PROVIDING FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE EMPLOYEE INVESTMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; REVISING DEATH BENEFITS UNDER THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REVISING CANCELLATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF DISABILITY BENEFITS UNDER THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; CORRECTING TERMINOLOGY AND INTERNAL REFERENCES; ELIMINATING EXPIRED PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-403, 19-2-406, 19-2-505, 19-2-706, 19-2-801, 19-2-907, 19-3-412, 19-3-512, 19-3-908, 19-3-1103, 19-3-1106, 19-3-1210, 19-3-1501, 19-3-2133, 19-3-2141, 19-5-601, 19-5-701, 19-5-801, 19-5-802, 19-6-601, 19-7-503, 19-7-601, 19-7-901, 19-7-1001, 19-8-302, 19-8-701, 19-8-801, 19-8-1002, 19-9-710, 19-9-1007, 19-13-104, 19-13-803, AND 19-17-605, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-1005, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">HB 122</a>	Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems	Bryce Bennett	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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; 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 314</a>	Revising special district laws	Doug Kary	Chapter Number Assigned
	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; REQUIRING A PROTEST FORM TO BE SENT TO PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE PROPOSED DISTRICT; 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; REVISING SPECIAL DISTRICT COST ESTIMATE AND ASSESSMENT DATES; 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 AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.		

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">HB 396</a>	Revise laws regarding translocation of wild buffalo/bison	Mike Lang	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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.		
<a href="#">HB 450</a>	Revise medical insurance and medical payment laws	Roger A Hagan	(S) Hearing – (S) Free Conference 04/19/2013; 03:30 PM, Rm 335
	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 <del>A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE.</del> "		
<a href="#">HB 454</a>	Provide funding for the public employees' retirement system defined benefit plan	Bill McChesney	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; <del>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; 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; REVISING THE GUARANTEED ANNUAL BENEFIT ADJUSTMENT FOR NEW AND CURRENT MEMBERS; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH YEAR OF THE BIENNIUM; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-35-108, 17-5-703, 17-7-502, 15-35-108, 17-5-703, 19-3-315, 19-3-316, 19-3-1605, AND 19-3-2117, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 6, CHAPTER 495, LAWS OF 1999, AND SECTIONS 15 AND 16, CHAPTER 389, LAWS OF 2011; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-319, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 6, CHAPTER 495, LAWS OF 1999, AND SECTIONS 15 AND 16, CHAPTER 389, LAWS OF 2011; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."</del>		
<a href="#">HB 553</a>	Generally revise gravel permit permitting process	David Halvorson	(S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Natural Resources
	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 SECTIONS</del> 82-4-422 AND 82-4-432, MCA."		
<a href="#">HB 637</a>	Deposit lottery revenue to Teachers' Retirement System	Nicholas Schwaderer	(S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Ed & Cultural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT ALL NET REVENUE FROM THE STATE LOTTERY MUST BE CREDITED TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THROUGH DEPOSIT IN THE PENSION ACCUMULATION ACCOUNT; AMENDING SECTIONS 23-7-202 AND 23-7-402, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<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	(S) 3rd Reading Governor's Proposed Amendments Adopted
	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) Returned from Enrolling
	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.		

## MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
<a href="#">SB 55</a>	Clarify coverage of routine costs for patients in approved clinical trials	Christine Kaufmann	Chapter Number Assigned
	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) 2nd Reading Not Concurred*
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE CALCULATION OF FEES AND ASSESSMENTS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR THE COMPUTATION OF PROPERTY TAXES; LIMITING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE'S ROLE IN CALCULATING FEES AND ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE NOT MILL-RELATED FOR ENTRY OF TAXES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-13-4524, AND 15-10-305, 85-7-2136, AND 85-6-601, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		
<a href="#">SB 67</a>	Revise certain statutory report requirements to the legislature	Kendall Van Dyk	Chapter Number Assigned
	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.		
<a href="#">SB 77</a>	Revise municipal contract competitive bidding law - no bid required up to \$100K	John Brenden	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT RAISING FROM \$50,000 TO \$80,000 THE CONTRACT AMOUNT ON CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SCHOOL PURCHASE AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS THAT REQUIRE USE OF THE COMPETITIVE, ADVERTISED BIDDING PROCESS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-5-2301, 7-5-4302, AND 20-9-204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">SB 99</a>	Revise laws related to motor vehicle insurance verification	Alan Olson	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT REVISING INSURANCE VERIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-3-303, 61-3-312, AND 61-6-105, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">SB 108</a>	Renew Montana charitable endowment tax credit	Taylor Brown	(S) Signed by President
	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 376</a>	Executive budget proposal to include actuarial funding for pension systems	Larry Jent	(H) Tabled in Committee – (H) State Administration
	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="#">SB 386</a>	Revise volunteer firefighter benefit laws	Tom Facey	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	AN ACT REVISING LAWS GOVERNING BENEFITS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; ALLOWING CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL FIRE AGENCIES TO PROVIDE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; REVISING PREMIUM AND BENEFIT PROVISIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND CERTAIN VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-6-621, 39-71-118, 39-71-123, AND 39-71-401, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
<a href="#">SB 401</a>	Revise disposition of metalliferous mines license tax	Jon C Sesso	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	AN ACT REVISING DISPOSITION OF THE METALLIFEROUS MINES LICENSE TAX; AND AMENDING SECTION 15-37-117, MCA.		
<a href="#">SR 22</a>	Confirm Governor's appointees to public employee retirement board	Ron Arthun	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
	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.		



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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Duane Ankney	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Rob Cook	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Rob Cook	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Rob Cook	(H) Transmitted to Senate for Consideration of Governor's Proposed Amendments
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 12	Appropriate funds for provider payments	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Kathy Swanson	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 19	Revise penalty and interest provisions related to tax law enforcement	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 21	Generally revise statutory appropriation laws	Rob Cook	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 22	Generally revise state auditor laws on insurance	Kimberly Dudik	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 30	Revise late registration laws	Ted Washburn	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 35	Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments	Miike 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	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 39	Revise school finance laws to correct implementation problems	Bill McChesney	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
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) 3rd Reading Concurred
HB 50	Prohibit immigration anticooperation policies by local governments	David Howard	(H) Vetoed by Governor*
HB 54	Revise teacher's retirement system administrative and tax qualification laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 59	Revise title of governor's drought advisory committee	Ryan Lynch	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 66	Allow for electronic service of notices of levy and writs of execution	Brian Hoven	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 71	Clarifying restorative justice laws and establish grant program	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 72	Allow restorative justice as condition of suspended or deferred sentence	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 74	Require disclosure of child abuse to DPHHS to law enforcement in all cases	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(S) 3rd Reading Concurred
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	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 82	Revise applicability of extraterritorial worker's compensation agreements	Scott Reichner	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 84	Revise 72-hour presumptive eligibility requirements for crisis stabilization	Pat Noonan	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 87	Provide state insurance commissioner with health insurance rate review authority	Jeffrey W Welborn	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 89	Allow de minimus refund of abandoned property or closed estates	Ryan Lynch	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 100	Create a medicaid pay-for-performance pilot project	Ron Ehli	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 101	Increase reimbursement rates for children's medicaid mental health services	Ron Ehli	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 106	Generally revise water use laws	Pat Connell	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 107	Revise laws related to legal counsel representation in abuse and neglect cases	Ryan Lynch	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 111	Repeal business equipment tax reduction for value-added manufacturing	Mike Miller	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 114	Clarify garbage types for animal feed	Christy Clark	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 120	Generally revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(S) Free Conference Committee Appointed
HB 124	Clarify exemption for school districts and special districts in elections	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 125	Clarify when candidate's name is held off the ballot	Jesse O'Hara	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 126	Generally revise ballot issues and petition statutes	Pat Ingraham	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 129	Revise campaign finance and disclosure laws	Steve Gibson	(S) Returned to House with Amendments
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	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 145	Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Accountability Act	Bill Harris	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 146	Generally revise laws related to solid waste licenses and fees	Kris Hansen	(H) Transmitted to Governor
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) Tabled in Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 162	Revise state employee health insurance program laws	Kelly Flynn	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 168	Revise DUI laws for THC	David (Doc) Moore	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 169	Allow growth policy to be used for coordination	Kerry White	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 181	Allow local trustees to define ratio of certified library personnel to students	Nancy Ballance	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources
HB 192	Revise laws related to mobile home transfer and taxes	Roger A Hagan	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 195	Revise laws related to taxation of certain forest land	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 200	Revise election laws; prohibit certain electioneering	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) State Administration
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	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 208	Providing immunity for solid waste management system	Jerry O'Neil	(S) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 218	Require Board of Oil and Gas to administer grant program for oil and gas impacts	Duane Ankney	(H) Free Conference Committee Appointed
HB 226	Exempt computer professionals from overtime pay	Donald W Jones	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 230	Generally revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 232	Strengthen exclusive remedy laws in workers' compensation	Austin Knudsen	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 233	Generally revise 24/7 sobriety program	Steve Lavin	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 245	Authorize counties to dedicate park land	Champ Edmunds	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 250	Require navigator, insurance producer certification for exchanges	Liz Bangerter	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 251	Revise date absentee ballots are available	Pat Ingraham	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 252	Revise notary public journal storage to secretary of state's office	Pat Ingraham	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 261	Revise unemployment insurance laws for business impacted by natural disaster	Tom Berry	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 280	Authorize choice for out-of-state health care insurance	Cary Smith	(H) Vetoed by Governor*
HB 296	Revise when ballots may be prepared for counting	Pat Ingraham	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 297	Provide that employment of an unauthorized alien is unlawful	David Howard	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 301	Revise school bonding limits	David Halvorson	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 304	Generally revise concealed weapons laws	Krayton Kerns	(H) Vetoed by Governor*
HB 320	Change name of optional retirement system	Bryce Bennett	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 322	Revise laws related to livestock loss	Mike Cuffe	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 323	Add grizzly bear livestock losses to the livestock loss program	Mike Cuffe	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 329	Prohibit state employees from being lobbyists	Randy Brodehl	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 334	Revise department of transportation contracting laws	Jennifer Eck	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 335	Revise sexual offender laws	Jennifer Eck	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 336	Generally revise highway patrol retirement system laws	Steve Gibson	(H) Transmitted to Governor

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 345	Revise false claims act	Cary Smith	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 352	Revise justice court laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 354	Establish a wildfire project suppression fund	Pat Connell	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 365	Provide epinephrine standards, options for emergency responders	Tom Steenberg	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
HB 367	Generally revise motor vehicle salvage title laws	Jonathan McNiven	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 369	Revise laws for courts of limited jurisdiction	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HB 373	Revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 377	Increase contributions and funding for TRS, revise GABA	Tom Woods	(H) 2nd Reading Senate Amendments Not Concurred
HB 395	Revising membership of livestock loss board	Kirk Wagoner	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 403	Revising fees collected by district court clerks	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 408	Revise tax rate laws on mandated pollution control equipment	Mike Miller	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 410	Third party voter registration integrity preservation	Ted Washburn	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 414	Permit registration of motor vehicle to those having interest in real property	Brian Hoven	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 417	Revise eminent domain laws related to due process	Kelly Flynn	(S) 3rd Reading Concurred
HB 421	Revise law pertaining to abandoned vehicles	Joanne G Blyton	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HB 422	Generally revise junk vehicle program laws	Joanne G Blyton	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 431	Revise laws related to surface owner damage and disruption compensation	Austin Knudsen	(S) Hearing -- (S) Conference 04/19/2013; 10:00 AM, Rm 350
HB 435	Revise laws related to coal board grants and railroad quiet zones	Bill McChesney	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Local Government
HB 437	Allow county to create improvement district for certain purposes	Jonathan McNiven	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Local Government
HB 442	Increase vehicle damage reporting requirement	Lee Randall	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 443	Revise termination of tax increment financing	Rob Cook	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 444	Provide tax credit for access to state lands	Tom Jacobson	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 451	Revise firewarden laws	Wylie Galt	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 455	Revise law for the reissuance of title for abandoned vehicles	Joanne G Blyton	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 461	Increase pension for certain volunteer firefighters	Ed Lieser	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 462	Revise lien laws for due process considerations	Donald W Jones	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 464	Generally revise laws related to prevailing wage	Christy Clark	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 465	Increase certain county clerk fees	Joanne G Blyton	(H) Signed by Governor
HB 469	Allow arbitration for disputes relating to construction liens	Steve Fitzpatrick	Chapter Number Assigned
HB 472	Reduce business equipment taxes by increasing the exemption	Gerald (Jerry) Bennett	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 485	Revise landlord tenant laws to expand Justice Court jurisdiction	Steve Lavin	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 489	An act to create the Montana health care database	Chuck Hunter	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
HB 499	Amending conveyance exemptions for subdivision regulations	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 509	Provide for prepaid wireless 911 service charge	Keith Regier	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 517	Revise natural resources operation account revenue sources	Mike Cuffe	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 542	Revise speed limit laws	Amanda Curtis	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 544	Revising insurance provisions related to provider networks	Scott Reichner	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 547	Agency coordination of permits for large-scale projects	Carl Glimm	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 548	Increase truck speed limits by removing special restrictions	Daniel Zolnikov	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 556	Revise laws related to coal severance tax allocations	Mike Cuffe	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 558	Revise road laws related to aggregate stabilization	Dennis R Lenz	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 559	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Liz Bangerter	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 562	Revise subdivision laws	Kathy Swanson	(H) Transmitted to Senate for Consideration of Governor's Proposed Amendments
HB 564	Revise district court venue laws	Champ Edmunds	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 573	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Roger A Hagan	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 574	Establish "small herd exemption" to certain laws related to the sale of milk	Champ Edmunds	(S) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 575	Generally revise 9-1-1 laws	Tom Berry	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 579	Establish task force on military missions and strategic/economic impacts in MT	Roger A Hagan	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 580	Provide funding for governor's sage-grouse advisory council	Pat Connell	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 581	Revise income tax using a tie to federal taxable income and repealing credits	Kris Hansen	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 583	Establish Montana Suicide Review Team	Rob Cook	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 586	Revise aquatic invasive species laws	Mike Cuffe	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 589	Establish an oil and gas trust fund	Tom Jacobson	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HB 593	Revise DOR laws for calculating soil type and productivity values on range land	Kirk Wagoner	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 599	Provide funding for road projects	Joanne G Blyton	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
HB 603	Generally revise privacy laws and location information of electronic devices	Daniel Zolnikov	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 604	Create Select Committee on Medicaid Innovation, Reform, and Expansion	Cary Smith	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 605	Generally revise resort district laws	Nicholas Schwaderer	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 607	Expand electronic title, lien filing, and registration pilot program	Steve Lavin	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 608	Transfer orphan share funding to natural resources operation/project accounts	Mike Cuffe	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 623	Generally revise laws related to health care and health insurance	Liz Bangerter	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 625	Implementing the provisions of House Bill 2	Duane Ankney	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 630	Establish the Montana food policy modernization project	Kathleen Williams	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 633	Provide for an interim select committee on efficiency in government	Ron Ehli	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 635	Revise education laws related to transfers of territory between districts	Ray L Shaw	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Taxation
HJ 2	Interim study investigating state/local gov electronic records management	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
HJ 20	Study resolution on public defender operations and funding	Kimberly Dudik	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HJ 23	Interim study of electronic data disclosure	Bryce Bennett	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HJ 25	Interim study of workers' compensation and subrogation, other issues	Scott Reichner	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HJ 26	Interim study on water ditch/canal easement restatement process options	Pat Connell	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation
HJ 27	Study water policy	Kathleen Williams	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 04/22/2013; 3:30 PM, Rm 422
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) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Agriculture
SB 7	Revise Medicaid application process	Mary Caferro	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Human Services
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	(S) Vetoes by Governor*
SB 30	Revise big sky trust fund wage rate laws	Edward Buttrey	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 33	Revise disaster relief expenditure laws	Larry Jent	Chapter Number Assigned

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 34	Create unclaimed life insurance benefits act	Mary Caferro	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 35	Revise statutory requirements for notarization of certain documents	Jim Keane	Chapter Number Assigned
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	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 41	Prohibiting consideration of future subdivision impact	Edward Buttrey	(S) Vetoes by Governor*
SB 48	Establish regional water system rate process	Greg Jergeson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 49	Revise laws regarding reporting to the legislative finance committee	Rick Ripley	Chapter Number Assigned
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	Chapter Number Assigned
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 69	Revise Medicaid qualification enforcement laws	Edward Walker	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 71	Code commissioner bill	Mitch Tropila	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 73	Repeal DARE program	Christine Kaufmann	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 84	Establish standards and structure for patient-centered medical homes	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 92	Revise strip and underground mining laws	Alan Olson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 96	Lower the business and equipment tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Free Conference Committee Appointed
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	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 121	Generally revise laws related to contracts	Jennifer Fielder	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 122	Generally revise election laws regarding municipal nonpartisan elections	Tom Facey	(S) Signed by Governor
SB 127	Revise unemployment law, revise def. of misconduct	Edward Buttrey	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 128	Revise when unemployment insurance rates not affected by benefits paid	Edward Buttrey	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 137	Revise local government laws relate to property environmental clean-up	Alan Olson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 138	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 141	Revise definitions for certain common carrier pipelines	Alan Olson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 143	Revise bison management	John Brenden	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
SB 144	Generally revise noxious weed trust fund laws	Jon C Sesso	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 145	Require all information on a concealed weapon permit application confidential	Frederick (Eric) Moore	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 146	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agency comment	Edward Buttrey	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 147	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agriculture	Edward Buttrey	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 148	Limit lost wage and benefit award for wrongful discharge to 2 yrs from discharge	Llew Jones	(S) Hearing -- (S) Free Conference 04/22/2013; 11:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 172	Revise laws related to dental insurance plans and services	Edward Walker	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 173	Generally revising state workers' compensation insurance fund laws	Jim Keane	(H) Returned to Senate with Amendments
SB 174	Authorize alternatives for state agency worker's compensation coverage	Jim Keane	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
SB 175	Generally revise public education funding	Llew Jones	(S) 3rd Reading Passed as Amended by House
SB 176	Generally revise voting requirements and procedures for non-profit organizations	Jim Peterson	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 185	Revise veteran public employment hiring laws	Jon C Sesso	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 194	Restrict the use of strip and body cavity searches	Anders Blewett	Chapter Number Assigned



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SB 195	Revise laws protecting job applicant/employee privacy related to social media	Anders Blewett	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
SB 196	Generally revise criminal laws	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 201	Revise laws on rural/urban interface and fire protection	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 202	Revise traffic laws	Christine Kaufmann	(H) 2nd Reading Not Concurred*
SB 207	Adopt Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 209	Authorize resort area district to issue bonds and pledge resort tax revenue	Ron Arthun	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 217	Revise laws governing watershed protection	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 223	Require plan for terminating Montana comprehensive health association laws	Mary Caferro	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 225	Generally revise tow truck laws	Elsie Arntzen	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 226	Revise laws relating to dyed diesel and vehicles dedicated to animal husbandry	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 231	Revise tax exemption laws regarding tribal recreational property	Shannon Augare	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 237	Require land board approval of land purchases	John Brenden	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
SB 240	Revise taxation of pollution control equipment	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 252	Generally revise irrigation district laws related to elections	Matthew M Rosendale	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 258	Name the justice building after Joe Mazurek	Art Wittich	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 270	Require insurance coverage of telemedicine services	Edward Buttrey	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 271	Generally revise county sewer and water district laws	Fred Thomas	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 280	Allow mediation for dispute of property valuation	Fred Thomas	(S) 3rd Reading Passed as Amended by House
SB 282	Generally revise taxation of income, including the corporate license tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Free Conference Committee Appointed
SB 288	Revise condemnation procedures	Chas Vincent	(H) 2nd Reading Not Concurred*
SB 290	Revise county zoning regarding notice of change of use	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 292	Revise medical peer review laws to clarify definitions	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 293	Require certain water and sanitation information at subdivision preapplication	Bruce Tutvedt	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 297	Revise laws related to health care provider service payments	Elsie Arntzen	(H) Returned to Senate with Amendments
SB 305	Generally revise laws governing bison management in Montana	Jim Peterson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Conference 04/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 312	Revise state information technology policy	Jon Sonju	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 316	Generally revise subdivision laws regarding encroachment onto private property	Jennifer Fielder	Chapter Number Assigned
SB 323	Revise workers' compensation laws on prescribing schedule II and III drugs	Fred Thomas	(S) Hearing -- (S) Conference 04/19/2013; 4:30 PM, Rm 405
SB 324	Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 336	Clarify the definition of spring in water law	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 344	Public scoping process for FWP land acquisitions	Chas Vincent	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 345	Revise laws related to liability for forest and range fires	Chas Vincent	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 346	Revise exempt well laws	Chas Vincent	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 348	Providing for an act for Montana school safety	Fred Thomas	(S) 2nd Reading House Amendments Not Concurred
SB 352	Raise county population for certificate of need for ambulatory surgery centers	Fred Thomas	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Human Services
SB 370	Generally revise laws related to the Legislature	Jeff Essmann	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 375	Generally revise Montana campaign laws	Jim Peterson	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Judiciary
SB 395	Revise health care laws to expand Medicaid and improve health care delivery	David E Wanzenried	(H) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee -- (H) Human Services
SB 396	Create oil and local impact account funding	John Brenden	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Appropriations
SB 398	Revise property tax revaluation process and the taxation of property	Bruce Tutvedt	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Taxation
SB 405	Referendum to revise close of late voter registration	Alan Olson	(S) 3rd Reading Passed as Amended by House

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 408	Referendum to provide top two primary in certain elections	Alan Olson	(S) 3rd Reading Passed as Amended by House
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) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 15	Interim study on public land management	Jennifer Fielder	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 17	Resolution to encourage voluntary streamside best management practices	Verdell Jackson	(H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
SJ 23	Study resolution on the tax appeal process	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 30	Legislative interim study on TIFIDs	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Taxation
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) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 14	Confirm Governor's appointee to head the department of agriculture	Taylor Brown	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 15	Resolution to confirm Governor's director of department of transportation	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 16	Confirm Governor's appointee to head the department of revenue	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 21	Confirm Governor's appointment for director of DPHHS	Jason Priest	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 27	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of the department of corrections	Terry Murphy	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 28	Confirm Governor's appointee as director of DFWP	John Brenden	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 65	Confirmation of appointees to the board of personnel appeals	Jon Sonju	(S) Committee Report--Resolution Adopted -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SR 67	Confirm Governor's appointees to certain public safety boards and councils	Terry Murphy	(S) Committee Report--Resolution Adopted -- (S) Judiciary
SR 75	Confirm Governor's appointee to the Board of Aeronautics	Elsie Arntzen	(S) Committee Report--Resolution Adopted -- (S) Highways and Transportation

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