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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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2015 PROJECTED SESSION CALENDAR

As revised by legislative leadership — January 14, 2015

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

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

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

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

Notes: Deadline dates are determined according to legislative days.

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

- ✓ Jan. 5: 64th Legislative Session begins
- ✓ Jan. 20: Last day to request General Bills
- ✓ Jan. 26: Last day to request Revenue Bills
- Feb. 17: Last day for Committee to request General Bills & Resolutions**
- Feb. 27: Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber & Last day to request Appropriation Bills
- Feb. 28-March 3: Transmittal Break
- March 21: Transmittal of Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions & Last day to request Study Resolutions
- March 24: Last day to request bills proposing Referenda or for Committee to request Revenue Bills
- March 30: Transmittal of Appropriation Bills & Last day to request Committee Bills to implement House Bill 2
- April 7: Transmittal of Revenue Bills and Bills Proposing Referenda
- April 9: Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
- April 17: Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills
- April 20: Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Bills, Revenue-Estimating Resolution, and Bills Proposing Referenda
- April 23: Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions
- April 29: Sine Die

SCHEDULED HEARINGS

Currently 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, February 16					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services	102	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 424	Revise public meeting laws related to the Montana supreme court	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 425	Constitutional amendment to define person	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 447	Revise right to participate laws related to attorney fees	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 448	Revise right to know laws related to attorney fees	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
8:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 262	Implement CSKT water rights settlement	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1
10:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 126	Revise burial preservation board member compensation laws	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41
10:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 78	Clarify vehicle owner's privacy rights for event data recorders	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76
10:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 470	Generally revise guaranteed asset protection waiver laws	Christy Clark (R) HD 17
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 451	Revise funding for students with disabilities	Christopher Pope (D) HD 65
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 475	Revise statutory reimbursement schedule for school transportation funding	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	SB 128	Establish decennial school funding study	Kris Hansen (R) SD 14
3:00 PM	(H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications	472	SB 150	Revise USB laws	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) SD 16
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 442	Establish resource limits for public assistance programs	Art Wittich (R) HD 68
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 456	Add PTSD to the list of debilitating medical conditions for marijuana use	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 468	Revising laws on period of commitment or treatment of developmentally disabled	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 472	Reauthorize the child and family ombudsman	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 479	Revise laws regarding fetal surgery	Albert Olszewski (R) HD 11
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 458	Provide for the Smith River legacy act	Zach Brown (D) HD 63
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HJ 17	Revise laws related to national park concession contracts	George G Kipp (D) HD 15
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HR 2	Resolution recognizing the service of 75 years of smoke jumpers	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	SB 188	Revise liability for forest or range fires	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 428	Revise laws related to regulating ride-sharing services in Montana	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 452	Revise motor vehicle title salvage designation laws	Kathleen Williams (D) HD 61
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 467	Clarify laws related to roads, access, and private property	Mike Miller (R) HD 80
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 473	Require salvage entities to obtain and retain proof of ownership	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 486	Revise laws related to mopeds	Rob Cook (R) HD 18
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HJ 16	Interim study on ride-sharing in Montana	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	SB 110	Create temporary vehicle registration for non-resident vehicles	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11

Monday (Continued)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	422	SB 282	Revising board of regents' authority to approve post secondary institutions	Tom Facey (D) SD 50
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 239	Protect property rights of dog owners by prohibiting breed-specific ordinances	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 294	Revise hospital district laws	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 303	Revise rural fire district laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 218	Increase bond for certain metal mines	Mary Sheehy Moe (D) SD 12
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	HB 256	Revise laws to provide checks and balances for expanding affordable care act	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 206	Establish limits on the supplemental nutrition assistance program	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 263	Require DPHHS to provide educational materials to medicaid enrollees	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 9	Allow sharing of certain health care information with law enforcement	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 238	Create a deferred retirement option plan (DROP) in Hwy Patrol Retirement Plan	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 286	Limit agency rule making if it burdens property rights	Cary Smith (R) SD 27

Tuesday, February 17

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 405	Revise laws regarding pre-nuptial agreements	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 410	Generally revise laws on the exploitation of vulnerable persons	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 426	Revise attorney-client privilege laws providing a crime-fraud exception	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 436	Revising the Montana uniform trust code	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 408	Revise contract rights for new members of public employee retirement plans	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HJ 12	Joint resolution recognizing the significance of the Miracle of America Museum	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 416	Provide military income tax exemption	Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D) HD 22
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 417	Revise tax lien, sale, and title provisions re primary residence tax delinquency	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 421	Extend termination date of coal severance tax coal washing credit	Tom Berry (R) HD 40
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 299	Revise workers' compensation claim penalty laws	Mark Noland (R) HD 10
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 270	Exempt seasonal entities from minimum wage	Janna Taylor (R) SD 6
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 271	Designating state auditor investigators as peace officers	Diane Sands (D) SD 49
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 288	Medical recovery of work comp payment from at-fault parties	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 481	Revise security transaction exemption laws to allow certain transactions	Chuck Hunter (D) HD 83
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 186	Revise laws related to protecting victims of sexual offenses	Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D) HD 42
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 232	Generally revise laws related to identity theft	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 253	Provide for uniform act for powers of appointment for estate planning	Mary McNally (D) SD 24

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Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 266	Provide for uniform act regarding fiduciary access to digital assets	Mary McNally (D) SD 24
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 291	Revise laws on use of seatbelts and child safety restraints; primary enforcement	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15
1:30 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	303	SB 107	Revise K-12 school district expansion laws	Taylor Brown (R) SD 28
1:30 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	303	SB 180	Revise the disposition of rental car sales tax	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 439	Require recording of board of livestock meetings	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 453	Generally revise board of hail insurance laws	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 478	Implement changes in Montana's food retail sales laws	Kathleen Williams (D) HD 61
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 290	Require FWP to provide upon request the analyses supporting a government act	Kerry White (R) HD 64
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	SB 140	Revise budget and expenditure comparison laws	Llew Jones (R) SD 9
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	152	HB 351	Revise process for salvaging game animals	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	152	HB 432	Revise nonresident hunting license laws re: Come Home to Hunt	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	152	HB 450	Allow suppressors for hunting of mountain lion and wolves	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 441	Provide process for county abandonment/consolidation	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 461	Revise salary for certain justice positions	Steve Lavin (R) HD 8
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 484	Require certain delivery and disclosure of utility bills	Steve Lavin (R) HD 8
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 285	Generally revise laws relating to reporting of animal cruelty and abuse	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 287	Generally revise the selection process for the board of livestock	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SJ 11	Resolution requesting removal of brucella abortus from federal list	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 305	Revise renewable energy laws	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 312	Generally revise USB laws	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SJ 12	Study net metering laws	Pat Connell (R) SD 43
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	SB 295	Revise laws regarding sound suppressors for hunting	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	SB 309	Revise laws to incentivize access to isolated state and federal lands	Jedediah Hinkle (R) SD 32
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	HB 229	Generally revise laws related to temporary road blocks	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	HB 280	Generally revise laws on bicycles	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54

Wednesday, February 18

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 427	Appropriate funds to defend state based water rights	Bob Brown (R) HD 13
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 457	Constitutional referendum to revise concealed weapons law	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 477	Clarify offense of aiding or soliciting suicide	Gerald (Jerry) Bennett (R) HD 1

Wednesday (Continued)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 437	Require 2/3 legislative consent for state compacts with federal government	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HJ 14	Interim study on eyewitness identification policies	Frank Garner (R) HD 7
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 404	Provide income tax credit for engineering and science tuition	Art Wittich (R) HD 68
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 440	Revise oil pipeline and labor laws	George G Kipp (D) HD 15
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 29	Revise regulation and duties regarding real estate appraisers	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 50	Equal treatment of licensees under liquor control penalty laws	Tom Steenberg (D) HD 99
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 251	Revise prevailing wage laws to match local government contracting	Dee Brown (R) SD 2
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 292	Create a drug formulary for workers' compensation	Matthew M Rosendale (R) SD 18
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 165	Revise grandparent/grandchild contact laws	Keith Regier (R) HD 4
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 197	Provide for an enhanced sentence for assault on a pregnant woman	Keith Regier (R) HD 4
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 207	Prohibiting disclosure of media info from electronic communications services	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 376	Clarifying state control of K-12 education and assessment	Debra Lamm (R) HD 60
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 377	Revise laws related to K-12 accreditation standards	Debra Lamm (R) HD 60
3:00 PM	(H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications	472	HB 485	Revise net metering laws	Art Wittich (R) HD 68
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 455	Generally revise medicaid laws	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 465	Preserve the ability of Montana citizens to heat structures by burning wood	Theresa Manzella (R) HD 85
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 476	Revise water quality laws related to mines	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 300	Revise laws regarding pharmacists providing immunizations	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 267	Revising campaign finance laws relating to corporations and unions	Sue Malek (D) SD 46
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 283	Revise laws related to constituent accounts for legislators	John Brenden (R) SD 17
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 289	Revise campaign finance laws	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 293	Eliminate statutory term limits on the legislative environmental quality council	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15

Thursday, February 19

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 430	Provide for an interim judicial redistricting commission	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) HD 20
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 443	Generally revise privacy laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 444	Generally revising laws related to electronic communications	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 445	Requiring search warrant for gov access to electronic devices	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 459	Allow state veterans home to admit parents of vets who died in service	Ed Lieser (D) HD 5
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 460	Designate veterans' memorial in Great Falls as a Montana veterans' memorial	Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D) HD 22
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 114	Revise tax increment finance district remittance laws for schools	Mike Miller (R) HD 80
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 411	Generally revise oil and gas tax laws	Tom Richmond (R) HD 56

Thursday (Continued)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 118	Allow for electronic delivery of insurance policies	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 208	Revise pawnbroker register requirements	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 225	Revise and update funeral trust banking laws	Vince Ricci (R) HD 55
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 129	Clarify who must move to amend parenting plan when one parent relocates	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 274	Prevent the federal government from selling public lands in Montana	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 298	Enforce provisions of the enabling act regarding sale of public lands	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 395	Revise laws and rules related to public swimming pools and spas	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	HB 260	Revise laws for payment of costs associated with irrigation district petitions	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 301	Revise laws on public service commission regulation of municipal utilities	Cary Smith (R) SD 27
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 314	Interstate pipeline compact	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	SR 17	Confirm Governor's appointments to the board of aeronautics	Elsie Arntzen (R) SD 26
5:00 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	317	SB 264	Revise distribution of sales and use tax	Bob Keenan (R) SD 5

Friday, February 20

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 397	Revise adoption laws related to release of birth certificates to adoptees	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 398	Revise laws relating to the recovery of attorney fees in resource permitting	Tom Richmond (R) HD 56
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 446	Revise campaign finance laws to authorize attorney fees for prevailing party	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 111	Revise sentencing for felony DUI	Keith Regier (R) HD 4
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 28	Require parole hearings to be video and audio recorded	Jennifer Eck (D) HD 79
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 433	Providing a tuition tax credit for K-12 education	Seth Berglee (R) HD 58
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 203	Revise exempt well laws	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 186	Revising laws relating to executing a power of attorney for a minor	Roger Webb (R) SD 23

2015 PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Below are three different lists of proposed legislation for the 2015 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 & INTRODUCED LEGISLATION				
Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
HB 112	Extend sunset on enhanced 9-1-1 fund distribution	2014-09	Keith Regier (R) HD 4	(S) Returned to House
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXTENDING THE SUNSET ON WIRELESS 9-1-1 FUNDING FOR LESS-POPULATED COUNTIES; AMENDING SECTION 10-4-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 145	Revise laws related to livestock loss	2014-15	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A LIVESTOCK LOSS REDUCTION RESTRICTED ACCOUNT; TRANSFERRING GENERAL FUND MONEY; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; PROVIDING FOR A REVERSION OF FUNDS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-15-3110, 15-1-122, 17-7-502, 81-1-110, AND 81-1-112, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."			
HB 187	Clarify laws pertaining to assignment of road/street addresses	2014-02	Tom Steenberg (D) HD 99	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred—(S) Local Gov.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING LAWS PERTAINING TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF ROAD AND STREET ADDRESSES; SPECIFYING THAT COUNTIES MAY DESIGNATE STREET NAMES AND ADDRESSES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS; AMENDING SECTION 7-14-2101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 193	Revise board of adjustment appeal process related to county zoning	2012-02	Daniel R Salomon (R) HD 93	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/06/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE PROCESSES FOR APPEALING COUNTY ZONING DECISIONS; PROVIDING THAT A DECISION OF A BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MAY BE APPEALED TO A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND A DECISION BY A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY BE APPEALED TO COURT OF RECORD; AMENDING SECTIONS 76-2-226, 76-2-227, AND 76-2-228, MCA."			
HB 334	Generally revise laws applicable to county government	2014-11	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS APPLICABLE TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT; AMENDING THE THRESHOLD FOR CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUDITS; AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF "POLITICAL SUBDIVISION"; REQUIRING CERTAIN BOARDS, DISTRICTS, AND COMMISSIONS TO RECORD THEIR MINUTES WITH THE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER AT NO COST; REQUIRING A PUBLIC LOCATION FOR POSTING COUNTY INFORMATION; ADJUSTING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT TO FILL A VACANCY CREATED BY A NONPARTISAN COMMISSIONER; AMENDING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SETTING CONSOLIDATED OFFICE SALARIES; REQUIRING THAT A PLAN BE ADOPTED FOR A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND; REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT A COUNTY TREASURER MAKE AN ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT; AMENDING REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING WHEN A COUNTY MUST SUBMIT INDEBTEDNESS OR LIABILITY TO A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY; REVISING THE ALLOWABLE METHODS OF ASSESSMENT FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS; REVISING DEADLINES FOR A RESOLUTION LEVYING COSTS IN A LIGHTING DISTRICT; REVISING COUNTY LAND AND ROAD SURVEYOR REQUIREMENTS AND COUNTY ENGINEER REQUIREMENTS; REVISING THE BODY EMPLOYING A WEED COORDINATOR; REVISING THE GROUNDS FOR TERMINATION AND WRITTEN NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR TERMINATION OF A DEPUTY SHERIFF; REPEALING REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING COUNTY TREASURER RECEIPTS; REPEALING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-7-503, 2-9-101, 7-4-2104, 7-4-2106, 7-4-2312, 7-4-2631, 7-4-2801, 7-6-616, 7-6-2801, 7-7-2101, 7-11-1024, 7-12-2202, 7-14-2606, 7-22-2101, 7-32-2107, 7-32-2108, AND 20-9-212, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-6-2116 AND 15-10-203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			

MACo RESOLUTIONS & INTRODUCED LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
SB 111	Clarify wind generation facility impact fee for local governmental units	2014-16	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, & Telecom. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT AN OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A WIND GENERATION FACILITY IS SUBJECT TO CERTAIN IMPACT FEES EACH YEAR FOR THE FIRST 3 YEARS AFTER CONSTRUCTION OF THE FACILITY; AMENDING SECTION 15-24-3004, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
SB 119	Clarify eligible voters in certain local government elections	2014-03	Douglas Kary (R) SD 22	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING ELIGIBLE VOTERS IN CERTAIN ELECTIONS; CLARIFYING THAT CERTAIN OFFICERS OF A COMPANY MAY PETITION, PROTEST, OR VOTE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES ON BEHALF OF THE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE COMPANY; AMENDING SECTION 7-1-4134, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 7-13-2254, MCA."			
SB 121	Revise what employment by a PERS retiree is considered active member service	2014-14	Douglas Kary (R) SD 22	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING SERVICE BY AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AS EMPLOYMENT COVERED BY THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSES OF RETIREE REEMPLOYMENT LIMITATIONS AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 19-3-1106, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
SB 229	Extend historic county road or utility right-of-way application dates	2014-12	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Transmitted to House
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXTENDING THE DATE BY WHICH A PERSON OR COUNTY MAY APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR A HISTORIC RIGHT-OF-WAY DEED; AMENDING SECTION 77-1-130, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LCI433	Establish of county laws for compression brake usage	2014-05	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(C) Draft to Drafter -- Edit Review [JLN]
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LCI554	Establish process to allow counties to enter into development agreements	2014-08	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(C) Draft On Hold
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LCI662	Provide for inventory of all county and public roads	2014-07	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(C) Draft On Hold
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Hearings—02/16/2015; 8:00 AM, Respective Rooms— (H) Joint Approps. Subcommittees
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2017; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 5	Provide for infrastructure development	Jeffrey W Welborn (R) HD 72	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE BUILD MONTANA ACT; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF STATE DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND COAL SEVERANCE TAX BONDS; APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE BONDS FOR STATE AND LOCAL PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR AND AUTHORIZING CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2017; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS AND LOANS TO STATE AND LOCAL ENTITIES AND REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITIES FOR PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS; APPROPRIATING COAL SEVERANCE TAXES FOR DEBT SERVICE; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND AMOUNTS; AUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND LOANS AND AMOUNTS; REAUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND LOANS AUTHORIZED BY THE 63RD LEGISLATURE; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS AND LOANS; EXPANDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; CREATING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS BOND PROCEEDS ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 90-6-701 AND 90-6-710, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION DATES."		
HB 6	Provide for renewable resource grants	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RENEWABLE RESOURCE GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE RENEWABLE RESOURCE GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND AMOUNTS; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 7	Provide for reclamation and development grants	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND AMOUNTS; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 8	Provide for renewable resource bonds and loans	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROVING RENEWABLE RESOURCE PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING LOANS; REAUTHORIZING RENEWABLE RESOURCE PROJECTS AUTHORIZED BY THE 63RD LEGISLATURE; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR LOANS UNDER THE RENEWABLE RESOURCE GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF COAL SEVERANCE TAX BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A STATE DEBT AND APPROPRIATING COAL SEVERANCE TAXES FOR DEBT SERVICE; PLACING CERTAIN CONDITIONS ON LOANS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 10	Long-Range Information Technology Appropriations	Kelly McCarthy (D) HD 49	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 02/09/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 317A
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL PROJECTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2017; 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 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND THE JUDICIAL BRANCH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 11	Revise treasure state endowment program laws	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THROUGH THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING GRANTS FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PLACING CONDITIONS UPON GRANTS AND FUNDS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITIES FOR REGIONAL WATER PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 22	Appropriate money for crisis and transition technicians	Casey Schreiner (D) HD 25	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR ADDITIONAL CRISIS AND TRANSITION EMPLOYEES IN THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 23	Appropriate money for a forensic community corrections facility	Casey Schreiner (D) HD 25	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO CONTRACT FOR A FORENSIC COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FACILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 24	Appropriate money for state-run mental health group home	Casey Schreiner (D) HD 25	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE TRANSITIONAL MENTAL HEALTH GROUP HOMES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 46-14-301, 46-14-312, 53-1-602, AND 53-1-603, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 33	Appropriate money for new or expanded mental health crisis intervention	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXPANDING MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION AND JAIL DIVERSION SERVICES TO AREAS OF THE STATE THAT LACK SERVICES; REVISING REQUIREMENTS OF THE CRISIS INTERVENTION AND JAIL DIVERSION GRANT PROGRAM FOR COUNTIES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTION 53-21-1203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 34	Appropriate money for additional secure psychiatric detention beds	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTED SECURE PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT BEDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 35	Appropriate money for short-term voluntary mental health treatment	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR SHORT-TERM VOLUNTARY INPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 53-21-1202, 53-21-1203, AND 53-21-1204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 47	Appropriate money for youth crisis diversion pilot projects	Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D) HD 42	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS DIVERSION PILOT PROJECTS FOR YOUTH; REQUIRING A REPORT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 58	Generally revise election laws	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Adverse Committee Report Adopted* -- (H) State Admin.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REORGANIZING CERTAIN SECTIONS; DEFINING "ELECTION JUDGE"; REVISING THE FORM TRANSFERRING OR UPDATING AN ELECTOR'S REGISTRATION; REQUIRING ELECTION JUDGES TO BE INSTRUCTED ON ELECTION PROCEDURES AS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE; REVISING THE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE'S DECLARATION FOR NOMINATION; REVISING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT COUNTING; REVISING CERTAIN TERMINOLOGY; REVISING THE CERTIFICATE TO VERIFY REGISTERED ELECTORS SIGNING A BALLOT ISSUE PETITION; REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF STATE SELECT A METHOD OF DISSEMINATION FOR PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS; REVISING CERTAIN TIMELINES FOR THE CANVASS OF BALLOT ISSUES; REPEALING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING JOINDER OF PARTIES IN ACTIONS TO COMPEL A REGISTRAR TO ENTER AN ELECTOR IN A PRECINCT REGISTER; REPEALING AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A MILL LEVY FOR ADMINISTERING AN ABSENTEE ELECTION BOARD PROGRAM; REPEALING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO NOTIFY ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS IF THE RETURNS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 13-1-101, 13-1-121, 13-2-220; 13-2-512, 13-2-513, 13-3-213, 13-4-203, 13-10-404, 13-13-114, 13-13-213, 13-13-241, 13-13-245, 13-15-105, 13-15-107, 13-15-205, 13-19-303, 13-19-304, 13-21-104, 13-21-212, 13-27-103, 13-27-204, 13-27-205, 13-27-206, 13-27-207, 13-27-303, 13-27-304, 13-27-308, 13-27-311, 13-27-503, AND 13-35-207, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 13-1-122, 13-2-601, 13-2-602, 13-13-230, AND 13-15-503, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 62	Revise penalty for unauthorized use of state trust lands	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Natural Resources
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING LIABILITY FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF STATE SCHOOL TRUST LANDS; INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF STATE SCHOOL TRUST LANDS; AMENDING SECTION 77-1-125, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 70	Revise vote by mail laws	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)*
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING VOTE BY MAIL LAWS; REQUIRING ELECTIONS OTHER THAN SCHOOL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD BY MAIL; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS; PROVIDING TRAINING OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS AND JUDGES; REVISING PROCEDURES BY WHICH ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS CONFIRM ELECTORS' RESIDENCE AND MAILING ADDRESSES; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR REACTIVATING AN ELECTOR'S REGISTRATION; REQUIRING COUNTIES TO PAY FOR BALLOTS RETURNED WITH INSUFFICIENT POSTAGE; REVISING PROCEDURES FOR CREATING AND APPROVING A WRITTEN ELECTION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE TO INACTIVE ELECTORS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING BOOTHS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR PLACES OF DEPOSIT AND OFFICIAL DROP BOXES FOR RETURNED BALLOTS; REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO ADOPT RULES TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF OFFICIAL DROP BOXES; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS PROVIDE FOR PROPORTIONAL VOTING IN CERTAIN ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 13-1-101, 13-1-203, 13-2-220, 13-2-222, 13-2-301, 13-4-203, 13-19-101, 13-19-104, 13-19-105, 13-19-106, 13-19-201, 13-19-202, 13-19-203, 13-19-204, 13-19-205, 13-19-206, 13-19-207, 13-19-301, 13-19-303, 13-19-304, 13-19-305, 13-19-306, 13-19-307, AND 13-19-308, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 13-19-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 74	Require notice to the attorney general regarding data breaches	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DATA SYSTEM SECURITY BREACH NOTIFICATION LAWS; REQUIRING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL <u>AND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER</u> TO BE NOTIFIED OF A DATA SYSTEM SECURITY BREACH; AND AMENDING SECTIONS <u>2-6-501</u> , 2-6-504, 30-14-1704, AND 33-19-321, MCA."			
HB 84	Generally revise election laws	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Sent to Enrolling
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING ELECTION LAWS; CONSOLIDATING AND STANDARDIZING CERTAIN DATES AND DEADLINES FOR ELECTION ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS TO STANDARD PROVISIONS IF SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY LAW; REQUIRING THAT SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT ELECTIONS, OTHER THAN FUNDING ELECTIONS, BE CONDUCTED ON THE SAME DAY AS SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS; PROVIDING THAT COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS CONDUCT ALL SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT ELECTIONS; APPLYING LATE VOTER REGISTRATION PROVISIONS TO SCHOOL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERKS; REVISING AND CLARIFYING CERTAIN TERMS OF OFFICE PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN ELECTED OFFICIALS; ELIMINATING ANY REQUIREMENTS FOR CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS SIGNED BY A CERTAIN NUMBER OR ELECTORS AS A PREREQUISITE TO CANDIDACY; REVISING INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN A CALL FOR CERTAIN ELECTIONS; REVISING CERTAIN PROVISIONS REGARDING ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY MAIL; REVISING CERTAIN PROVISIONS CONCERNING PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTIONS; REVISING DEFINITIONS; ELIMINATING REDUNDANT AND OUTDATED PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-16-622, 3-1-1013, 3-6-201, 3-10-101, 3-11-101, 7-1-201, 7-1-2121, 7-1-4130, 7-2-2215, 7-2-2604, 7-2-2705, 7-2-2709, 7-2-2804, 7-2-4104, 7-2-4106, 7-2-4314, 7-2-4601, 7-2-4602, 7-2-4606, 7-2-4733, 7-2-4902, 7-2-4904, 7-3-103, 7-3-121, 7-3-122, 7-3-125, 7-3-149, 7-3-154, 7-3-155, 7-3-160, 7-3-173, 7-3-174, 7-3-175, 7-3-176, 7-3-178, 7-3-186, 7-3-187, 7-3-192, 7-3-1204, 7-3-1205, 7-3-1206, 7-3-1208, 7-3-1209, 7-3-1216, 7-3-1218, 7-3-1219, 7-3-1229, 7-3-1231, 7-3-1254, 7-3-1271, 7-3-4208, 7-3-4210, 7-3-4212, 7-3-4214, 7-3-4222, 7-3-4223, 7-3-4305, 7-3-4307, 7-3-4309, 7-3-4310, 7-3-4311, 7-3-4316, 7-3-4319, 7-3-4322, 7-3-4462, 7-5-131, 7-5-132, 7-5-4321, 7-5-4322, 7-6-1501, 7-6-1502, 7-6-1504, 7-6-1505, 7-6-1506, 7-6-1508, 7-6-1509, 7-6-1532, 7-6-1533, 7-6-1535, 7-6-1536, 7-6-1541, 7-6-1542, 7-6-1543, 7-6-1544, 7-6-1546, 7-6-1547, 7-6-1548, 7-6-1551, 7-7-2223, 7-7-2227, 7-7-2229, 7-7-2237, 7-7-2404, 7-7-2405, 7-7-2406, 7-7-4226, 7-7-4227, 7-7-4235, 7-7-4426, 7-8-4201, 7-10-101, 7-10-102, 7-10-104, 7-10-110, 7-11-1011, 7-11-1012, 7-12-4243, 7-13-2201, 7-13-2204, 7-13-2208, 7-13-2210, 7-13-2211, 7-13-2214, 7-13-2217, 7-13-2222, 7-13-2225, 7-13-2231, 7-13-2234, 7-13-2241, 7-13-2258, 7-13-2261, 7-13-2262, 7-13-2271, 7-13-2272, 7-13-2273, 7-13-2276, 7-13-2321, 7-13-2323, 7-13-2324, 7-13-2328, 7-13-2333, 7-13-2341, 7-13-2342, 7-13-2352, 7-13-4204, 7-13-4511, 7-13-4512, 7-13-4535, 7-14-210, 7-14-211, 7-14-212, 7-14-214, 7-14-1106, 7-14-1134, 7-14-1633, 7-14-2507, 7-14-4512, 7-14-4642, 7-16-2102, 7-16-2109, 7-33-2106, 7-34-2110, 7-34-2112, 7-34-2117, 13-1-101, 13-1-104, 13-1-106, 13-1-107, 13-1-108, 13-1-301, 13-1-401, <u>13-2-301</u> , 13-2-304, 13-3-202, 13-10-201, 13-10-208, 13-10-209, 13-10-211, 13-10-325, 13-10-326, 13-10-327, 13-10-405, 13-12-201, 13-13-205, 13-14-112, 13-14-113, 13-14-115, 13-15-206, 13-19-205, 13-19-207, 13-35-107, 13-37-126, 13-37-206, 15-10-425, 15-65-101, 16-1-205, 16-4-420, 20-1-101, 20-3-202, 20-3-301, 20-3-305, 20-3-306, 20-3-307, 20-3-313, 20-3-321, 20-3-337, 20-3-338, 20-3-341, 20-9-426, 20-9-428, 20-9-471, 20-15-203, 20-15-204, 20-15-207, 20-15-208, 20-15-209, 20-15-219, 20-15-221, 20-15-222, 20-15-224, 20-15-225, 20-15-231, 20-15-241, 20-20-105, 20-20-106, 20-20-201, 20-20-204, 20-20-311, 20-20-312, 20-20-401, 20-20-417, 22-1-304, 22-1-703, 22-1-706, 22-1-708, 22-1-709, 22-1-710, 76-5-1106, 76-15-303, <u>76-15-304</u> , 76-15-305, 76-15-311, 76-15-312, 76-15-506, 76-15-605, 85-7-1702, 85-7-1712, 85-7-1837, 85-7-1974, 85-7-2013, 85-8-302, 85-8-306, 85-8-624, 85-9-103, 85-9-203, 85-9-206, 85-9-302, 85-9-408, 85-9-501, 85-9-602, AND 85-9-623, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-2-2219, 7-2-2605, 7-2-2603, 7-2-2633, 7-2-2710, 7-2-4105, 7-2-4603, 7-2-4903, 7-3-121, 7-3-124, 7-3-4209, 7-3-4210 , 7-3-4306, 7-3-4308, 7-3-4341, 7-5-136, 7-6-1531, 7-6-1537, 7-6-1538, 7-6-1545, 7-6-1549, 7-7-2228, 7-7-4427, 7-13-2235, 7-13-2236, 7-13-2243, 7-13-2246, 7-13-2247, 7-13-2254, 7-13-2255, 7-13-2256, 7-34-2116, 20-3-304, 20-3-344, 20-15-205, 20-15-206, 20-20-101, 20-20-202, 76-15-302, 76-15-304 , AND 85-9-422, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."			

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 85	Revise the administration and tax qualification laws of the TRS	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING ADMINISTRATIVE AND FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION PROVISIONS OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE CORRECTION OF ERRORS, RECOVERY OF AMOUNTS DUE RESULTING FROM ERRORS, CREDITABLE SERVICE, OPTIONAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES, COMPENSATION LIMITATIONS, MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTIONS, DIFFERENTIAL WAGE PAYMENTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS, DEATH BENEFITS, AND GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUM WITHHOLDING; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-401, 19-20-402, 19-20-403, 19-20-404, 19-20-405, 19-20-408, 19-20-409, 19-20-410, 19-20-426, 19-20-427, 19-20-702, 19-20-715, 19-20-716, 19-20-718, 19-20-802, 19-20-904, 19-20-1001, AND 19-20-1101, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-20-705, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
	Generally revise laws relating to the public safety officer training council	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 100	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL RELATED TO CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS; REMOVING REFERENCES TO THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEST; ALLOWING CERTAIN MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO EXAMINE AND EVALUATE THE MENTAL HEALTH OF A PEACE OFFICER CANDIDATE; ALLOWING SUBSTITUTION OF A STANDARDIZED MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATION INSTRUMENT FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH EXAMINATION; REVISING CERTAIN COURSE REQUIREMENTS; REMOVING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS BEFORE THE COUNCIL ISSUES A CERTIFICATE TO A PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER WHO MEETS CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL AND PROBATIONARY REQUIREMENTS; ESTABLISHING THE COUNCIL AS A CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE MONTANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION ACT; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-303 AND 44-4-403, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 101	Generally revise administrative laws of the MPERA retirement systems	Tom Steenberg (D) HD 99	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', JUDGES', HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS', SHERIFFS', GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS', MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS', AND FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; REVISING THE SHARING OF CONFIDENTIAL INCOME INFORMATION; PROVIDING FOR RECOVERY OF IMPROPER PAYMENTS; REVISING CERTAIN BENEFITS FOR CONTINGENT ANNUITANTS AND BENEFICIARIES; CLARIFYING OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP PROVISIONS; CLARIFYING THE CALCULATION OF CERTAIN BENEFITS; REVISING CERTAIN BENEFIT PAYMENTS AND MEMBERSHIP ELECTION PROVISIONS; ELIMINATING EXPIRED PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 5-2-304, 15-30-2618 , 19-2-405, 19-2-801, 19-2-903, 19-2-904, 19-2-908, 19-3-411, 19-3-412, 19-3-904, 19-3-1105, 19-3-1106, 19-3-1210, 19-3-1501, 19-3-2141, 19-5-701, 19-5-802, 19-7-301, 19-7-410, 19-7-503, 19-7-1001, 19-8-302, 19-8-801, 19-8-1001, 19-8-1002, 19-9-301, 19-9-1206, 19-17-112, AND 19-20-302, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-9-1020, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		
	Revise defined contribution plan funding laws	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 107	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REALLOCATING CERTAIN EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE SYSTEM'S DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN TO MEMBER ACCOUNTS IN THE SYSTEM'S DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; STRIKING THE ALLOCATION OF TEMPORARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN DISABILITY FUND; ELIMINATING A PROVISION REQUIRING THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD TO ACTUARIALLY ADJUST CERTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS BETWEEN THE SYSTEM'S DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN AND THE SYSTEM'S DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REALLOCATING A TEMPORARY EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION FROM PAYING GENERAL LIABILITIES TO PAYING PLAN CHOICE RATE LIABILITIES AND THEN DIRECTING THE CONTRIBUTION TO MEMBER ACCOUNTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-407, 19-3-2117, AND 19-21-214, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 19-3-2121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 108	Revise noxious weed budget laws	Daniel R Salomon (R) HD 93	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT LIMITING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR THE NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM TO 12% OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT AWARDED THROUGH GRANTS AND CONTRACTS IN THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR; AMENDING SECTION 80-7-814, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 123	Generally revise public records laws	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING AND REORGANIZING MONTANA PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS; UPDATING DEFINITIONS AND PROVIDING NEW DEFINITIONS; CLARIFYING ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION; PROVIDING PRIVACY SAFETY AND SECURITY EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS; ALLOWING FEES FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS; ALLOWING SPECIAL FEES FOR CERTAIN INFORMATION; EMPHASIZING THE DISPOSITION OF PUBLIC RECORDS ACCORDING TO RETENTION SCHEDULES; UPDATING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ESSENTIAL RECORDS; CLARIFYING THE PROHIBITION ON DISSEMINATING DISTRIBUTION LISTS; REVISING THE RECORDS MANAGEMENT DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE; REQUIRING COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE; EXPANDING THE MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES OF THE STATE RECORDS COMMITTEE; PROVIDING POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR MANAGING HISTORIC RECORDS AND CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER RECORDS; CLARIFYING AGENCY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT; REVISING MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS COMMITTEE; REDUCING THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS BEFORE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS; UPDATING PROTECTIONS OF PERSONAL INFORMATION; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-3-212, 2-3-221, 2-3-301, 2-15-2017, 5-11-203, 7-4-2614, 7-5-2132, 7-5-4124, 7-11-1007, 13-1-303, 13-21-228, 15-1-103, 15-1-521, 15-62-209, 17-8-403, 18-4-126, 19-2-403, 19-17-111, 22-1-211, 30-9A-522, 30-14-1603, 30-17-101, 32-11-107, 33-1-1403, 33-28-108, 46-23-110, 53-21-1108, 61-6-157, 61-11-510, AND 81-2-115, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 2-6-101, 2-6-102, 2-6-103, 2-6-104, 2-6-105, 2-6-106, 2-6-107, 2-6-108, 2-6-109, 2-6-110, 2-6-111, 2-6-112, 2-6-201, 2-6-202, 2-6-203, 2-6-204, 2-6-205, 2-6-206, 2-6-207, 2-6-208, 2-6-211, 2-6-212, 2-6-213, 2-6-214, 2-6-301, 2-6-302, 2-6-303, 2-6-304, 2-6-307, 2-6-401, 2-6-402, 2-6-403, 2-6-404, 2-6-405, 2-6-501, 2-6-502, 2-6-503, AND 2-6-504, MCA."		
HB 124	Revise retirement plan laws to ensure federal tax qualification	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 23	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING RETIREMENT PLAN LAWS TO ENSURE FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION; REVISING COMMINGLED AND GROUP TRUST PROVISIONS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; REVISING THE MORTALITY TABLES USED TO DETERMINE COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW; REVISING REFERENCES TO ELIGIBILITY FOR MILITARY SERVICE TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; REVISING THE CATCH-UP AGE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATING IN A DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN TO COMPLY WITH NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE PROVISIONS; REVISING THE DEFINITION OF DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN PARTICIPANT TO INCLUDE ANYONE ENROLLED IN A DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN, WHETHER STILL EMPLOYED OR NOT; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-504, 19-2-1001, 19-2-1014, 19-3-2102, 19-50-101, AND 19-50-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 142	Generally revise laws related to peace officer status for investigators	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO APPOINT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS WITH LIMITED PEACE OFFICER STATUS TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED VIOLATIONS IN SECURE FACILITIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-303 AND 19-8-301, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 155	Provide for the development of a digital archives plan	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE ARCHIVIST TO DEVELOP A DIGITAL ARCHIVES; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE PURPOSE OF HIRING A CONSULTANT TO DEVELOP A DIGITAL ARCHIVES PLAN; AMENDING SECTION 22-3-203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 168	Define combined appropriation for exempt wells in certain cases	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) HD 20	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION'S DEFINITION OF "COMBINED APPROPRIATION" FOR WATER RIGHT PERMIT EXCEPTIONS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND PROVIDING RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 190	Eliminate certain automatic utility rate adjustments for taxes and fees	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING AUTOMATIC UTILITY RATE ADJUSTMENT AND TRACKING FOR TAXES AND FEES; ALLOWING A UTILITY TO DISCLOSE TAXES AND FEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 69-3-302 AND 69-3-303, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 69-3-308, MCA; AND PROVIDING A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 201	Lower state property tax mills	Keith Regier (R) HD 4	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REDUCING THE STATE EQUALIZATION AID LEVY; AMENDING SECTION 20-9-360, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 213	Revise business equipment tax laws	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Committee Report—Bill Passed as Amended--(H) Tax
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE CLASS EIGHT BUSINESS EQUIPMENT TAX EXEMPTION; PROVIDING A REIMBURSEMENT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS UNDER THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT, TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THROUGH THE BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, TO THE COUNTY SCHOOL RETIREMENT FUND AND THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT, AND TO THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FOR THE LOSS OF CLASS EIGHT AND CLASS TWELVE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE; AMENDING SECTION SECTIONS 15-1-123 AND 15-6-138, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 216	Expand use of treasure state endowment funds	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE USE OF THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT FUND; EXPANDING THE USE OF THE FUND TO INCLUDE RAILROAD QUIET ZONES; AMENDING SECTION 90-6-701, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 220	Revise recall provision laws for local and district elected officials	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING RECALL LAWS; ALLOWING ELECTED OFFICIALS OF STATE-DISTRICTS OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO BE RECALLED FOR ANY REASON; AMENDING SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR RECALL ELECTIONS; REVISING DEFINITIONS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-16-602, 2-16-603, AND 2-16-614, MCA."		
HB 223	Revise cost of death certificates and use for funding board of funeral service	Christy Clark (R) HD 17	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Business and Labor
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DEATH CERTIFICATE FEES AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR USE AS A FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2631 AND 50-15-111, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 226	Revise oil and gas laws related to the oil and gas damage mitigation account	Tom Richmond (R) HD 56	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO FUNDING OF OIL AND GAS RECLAMATION PROJECTS; DECREASING FUNDS FOR RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS; INCREASING FUNDS FOR OIL AND GAS DAMAGE MITIGATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-38-202, 82-11-161, AND 90-2-1113, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 235	Revise disposition of metalliferous mines license tax	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DISPOSITION OF THE METALLIFEROUS MINES LICENSE TAX; AND AMENDING SECTION 15-37-117, MCA."		
HB 249	Create Healthy Montana Act to expand health care coverage to certain Montanans	Pat Noonan (D) HD 74	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE HEALTHY MONTANA ACT TO EXPAND HEALTH CARE COVERAGE TO ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS AND IMPROVE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES; ESTABLISHING A HEALTH CARE COVERAGE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CERTAIN LOW-INCOME MONTANANS WITH ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SERVICES USING MEDICAID FUNDS AND AN ARRANGEMENT WITH A THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR; IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN MEDICAID REFORMS; PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE DELIVERY ACROSS MONTANA; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTION 17-7-502, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
HB 256	Revise laws to provide checks and balances for expanding affordable care act	Matthew Monforton (R) HD 69	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL TO EXPAND MEDICAID OR ESTABLISH A HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE AS ALLOWED UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT; AMENDING SECTIONS 33-1-311, 33-1-409, AND 53-6-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 274	Regulating arrests, searches, and seizures by federal law enforcement	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS REGARDING COOPERATION AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND COUNTY SHERIFFS; REGULATING ARRESTS, SEARCHES, AND SEIZURES BY FEDERAL EMPLOYEES; REQUIRING FEDERAL EMPLOYEES TO OBTAIN A COUNTY SHERIFF'S PERMISSION TO ARREST, SEARCH, AND SEIZE IF REQUIRED BY THE SHERIFF; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PROSECUTION OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES FOR VIOLATIONS IN CERTAIN CASES; REJECTING FEDERAL LAWS PURPORTING TO GIVE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES THE AUTHORITY OF A COUNTY SHERIFF; PROVIDING THAT THE COUNTY SHERIFF IS THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE COUNTY; AMENDING SECTION 7-32-2121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 275	Revise fuel tax revenue to fund maintenance and public transportation	Nancy Wilson (D) HD 95	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Transportation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE GASOLINE LICENSE TAX TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION OF PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, STREETS, AND ROADS BY FUNDING IMPROVEMENTS TO COUNTY ROADS, CITY STREETS, AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION; ALLOCATING GASOLINE LICENSE TAX REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF COUNTY ROADS AND CITY STREETS AND FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 15-70-204 AND 60-3-202, MCA."		
HB 289	Revise zoning requirements for economic development districts	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended— (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING ZONING REQUIREMENTS FOR TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS; ALLOWING PROVISIONS ADOPTED THROUGH ZONING BY PETITION TO FULFILL THE ZONING REQUIREMENTS FOR CREATION OF A TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-15-4279, MCA."		
HB 304	Increase penalty for blocking a public road	Mitch Tropila (D) HD 26	(H) Hearing--(H) Transportation 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS GOVERNING ENCROACHMENTS AND OBSTRUCTIONS ON COUNTY ROADS; PROVIDING THAT A LOCKED GATE IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN OBSTRUCTION; INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO REMOVE AN ENCROACHMENT; REQUIRING THAT THE PENALTY BE PAID INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-14-2133, 7-14-2136, AND 7-14-2137, MCA."		
HB 310	Establish an oil and gas trust fund	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/05/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IX OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT OIL AND GAS TRUST FUND FUNDED FROM TAXES ON OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION; PROVIDING THAT THE PRINCIPAL OF THE TRUST REMAIN INVIOATE UNLESS APPROPRIATED BY VOTE OF THREE-FOURTHS OF EACH HOUSE OF THE LEGISLATURE; AND PROVIDING THAT THE INTEREST AND INCOME CAN BE APPROPRIATED."		
HB 332	Revise laws related to mental illness precommitment costs	Nicholas Schwaderer (R) HD 14	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS OF EXAMINING AND COMMITTING MENTALLY ILL PERSONS; INCLUDING AS A BILLABLE ENTITY THE COUNTY FILING THE COMMITMENT PETITION; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AND AMENDING SECTION 53-21-132, MCA."		
HB 357	Require state agencies to coordinate with county local governments	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A STATE AGENCY TO ESTABLISH A COORDINATING RELATIONSHIP WITH A COUNTY GOVERNING BODY IF THE STATE AGENCY IS COORDINATING, COLLABORATING, OR COOPERATING WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON A PROPOSED LAND USE PLAN, POLICY, OR ACTION WITHIN A COUNTY."		
HB 380	Revise laws related to subdivisions and recreational camping vehicles	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LOCAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW REQUIREMENTS WITH REGARD TO CREATION OF SPACES FOR RECREATIONAL CAMPING VEHICLES; PROVIDING THAT CREATION OF MORE THAN 20 SPACES FOR RECREATIONAL VEHICLES IS CONSIDERED A SUBDIVISION FOR THE PURPOSES OF LOCAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW, LOCAL REGULATIONS, AND PARK DEDICATION REQUIREMENTS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-103, 76-3-504, AND 76-3-621, MCA."		
HB 402	Generally revise laws related to oil and gas development	Austin Knudsen (R) HD 34	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO ISSUE GRANTS TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH INFRASTRUCTURE AND OTHER NEEDS AS A RESULT OF OIL AND GAS IMPACTS; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES AND CRITERIA FOR AWARDED GRANTS; ESTABLISHING AN OIL AND GAS IMPACT ACCOUNT; ALLOCATING FEDERAL MINERAL LEASING REVENUE; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF FEDERAL MINERAL LEASING REVENUE IN THE MINERAL IMPACT ACCOUNT AND DEDICATED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; ALLOCATING OIL AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION TAXES; TRANSFERRING MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE OIL AND GAS IMPACT ACCOUNT; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION AND A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-36-331, 17-3-240, AND 17-7-502, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 413	Create OSHA laws applicable to private employers	Chuck Hunter (D) HD 83	(H) Hearing – (H) Business & Labor 02/11/2015; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MONTANA PRIVATE SECTOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT; ASSIGNING ADMINISTRATIVE, RULEMAKING, AND ENFORCEMENT DUTIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY; PROVIDING A FUNDING MECHANISM; PROVIDING FOR A SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR VOLUNTARY SAFETY CONSULTATIONS; PROVIDING SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR INSPECTIONS, CITATIONS, MONETARY PENALTIES, AND DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR STOP-WORK ORDERS AND CIVIL INJUNCTIVE RELIEF; PROVIDING FOR WHISTLE-BLOWER PROTECTION FOR EMPLOYEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-2-912, 39-71-201, AND 49-2-301, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HJ 6	Resolution to reduce Montana's dependence on federal funds	Tom Burnett (R) HD 67	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA ASSESSING THE RISKS FROM ANY POTENTIAL REDUCTIONS OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO THE STATE OF MONTANA AND ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND URGING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS ACROSS THE STATE TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT MEASURES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.		
HJ 11	Joint resolution regarding the keystone pipeline	Mike Lang (R) HD 33	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING PROMPT CONGRESSIONAL AND PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL FOR THE KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE.		
SB 5	Establish all-hazard incident management teams and provide funding authority	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) SD 16	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AND FUNDING FOR DEPLOYMENT OF ALL-HAZARD INCIDENT MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TEAMS; ALLOWING FOR COSTS INCURRED BY A TEAM TO BE PAID USING INCIDENT RESPONSE EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY; REQUIRING RULES PROMULGATED BY THE STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION TO INCLUDE CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR TEAMS AND TEAM MEMBERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 10-3-103, 10-3-310, AND 10-3-1204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
SB 18	Revising the time frame for the calculation of the entitlement share growth rate	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	Chapter Number Assigned
	AN ACT REVISING THE TIMEFRAME IN WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IS REQUIRED TO CALCULATE THE GROWTH RATE OF THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE POOL; AND AMENDING SECTION 15-1-121, MCA.		
SB 42	Revise allocation of contribution in the Pers defined contribution plan	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: " AN ACT REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR CHANGES IN THE ALLOCATION OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN AND THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-407, 19-3-2117, 19-3-2121, AND 19-21-214 , MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-2121, MCA ; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 52	Revise captive insurance laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 02/13/2015; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING CAPTIVE INSURANCE LAWS; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO FILE ANNUAL STATEMENTS; CLARIFYING LANGUAGE REGARDING CERTIFICATES OF AUTHORITY FOR CAPTIVE INSURERS; ALLOWING FOR A PRO RATA DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES IN THE YEAR OF CLOSURE; CLARIFYING TAXATION OF SERIES MEMBERS OF SPECIAL PURPOSE CAPTIVES; AMENDING SECTIONS 33-28-101, 33-28-102, 33-28-104, 33-28-105, 33-28-108, 33-28-109, 33-28-201, 33-28-206, 33-28-207, 33-28-301, AND 33-28-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 62	Revise the reporting dates for per capita livestock fees	Taylor Brown (R) SD 28	(H) 3rd Reading Concurred
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE REPORTING AND PAYMENT DATES FOR PER CAPITA LIVESTOCK FEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-24-903, 15-24-905, 15-24-906, 15-24-921, 81-6-104, 81-6-204, 81-6-209, 81-7-303, AND 81-7-603, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 103	Provide presumptive disease coverage for paid firefighters	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/11/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PRESUMPTION UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS IN FAVOR OF PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS FOR CERTAIN DISEASES; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS, APPLICABLE FACTORS, AND TERMS FOR INSURER REBUTTAL; PROVIDING FOR A SEPARATE RATING CLASSIFICATION CODE; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-116 AND 39-71-2316, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
SB 124	Require certain boards to record and publish meetings in video or audio format	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION LAWS; REQUIRING THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS, THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD, THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD, THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO RECORD THEIR PUBLIC MEETINGS IN AUDIO OR VIDEO FORMATS; REQUIRING PUBLICATION OF THE AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDINGS ON THE INTERNET OR VIA BROADCAST TELEVISION WITHIN 24 HOURS <u>1 BUSINESS DAY</u> ; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 140	Revise budget and expenditure comparison laws	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE METHODOLOGY FOR BUDGET COMPARISONS; PROVIDING A METHODOLOGY FOR EXPENDITURE COMPARISONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-150 AND 17-7-151, MCA; AND PROVIDING A TERMINATION DATE."		
SB 145	Revise allocation of oil and gas revenue for oil and natural gas impact projects	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed—(S) Finance & Claims
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF REVENUE FROM OIL AND NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION TAXES AND USING THE PROCEEDS FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS IMPACT PROJECTS; DEFINING "OIL AND GAS IMPACT PROJECTS"; ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR OIL AND GAS IMPACT PROJECT PROPOSALS FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REVIEW OF OIL AND GAS IMPACT PROJECT PROPOSALS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; CREATING AN OIL AND NATURAL GAS IMPACT RELIEF ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 15-36-331, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 203	Revise exempt well laws	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Hearing -- (S) Nat. Rsrcs. 02/20/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE EXCEPTIONS TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENTS; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR EXEMPTED USES BY NUMBER OF USERS; DEFINING THE TERM "PROJECT"; AMENDING SECTION 85-2-306, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 226	Revise subdivision review criteria law	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (S) Local Gov.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING A LOCAL GOVERNING BODY FROM CONSIDERING THE IMPACTS OF POTENTIAL FUTURE SUBDIVISIONS WHEN REVIEWING SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 76-3-608, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 246	Revise laws restricting use of sick leave & vacation time	JP Pomnichowski (D) SD 33	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REMOVING THE QUALIFYING PERIOD FOR USE OF ANNUAL VACATION LEAVE AND SICK LEAVE; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-611 AND 2-18-618, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 247	Prohibit sage grouse hunting in Montana	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING SAGE GROUSE HUNTING; AMENDING SECTIONS 87-1-301 AND 87-1-304, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
SB 249	Generally revise energy performance contracting laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Committee Report—Bill Passed—(S) Energy & Telecom.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO USE IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF AN ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT PROGRAM; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR QUALIFIED ENERGY SERVICE PROVIDERS; PROVIDING FOR INVESTMENT-GRADE ENERGY AUDITS; ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES TO USE IN THE ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDING OF ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; EXEMPTING ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS FROM CERTAIN CONSOLIDATED CITY-COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND SPECIAL DISTRICT CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 20-9-471, 90-4-1101, 90-4-1102, 90-4-1103, AND 90-4-1109, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 90-4-1104, 90-4-1105, 90-4-1106, 90-4-1107, AND 90-4-1108, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 259	Revising workers' compensation and occupational health and safety assessments	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/10/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE FUNDING FOR CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY RELATED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH LAWS; INCREASING A PERCENTAGE THAT MAY BE ASSESSED AGAINST WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURERS FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT; CREATING A NEW ASSESSMENT FOR ADMINISTERING OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH LAWS; PROVIDING FOR A PROCEDURAL TRANSITION; AMENDING SECTIONS 39-71-201, 39-71-435, 39-71-1050, 50-71-113, 50-71-119, 50-72-106, AND 50-73-107, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
SB 261	Montana sage grouse stewardship act	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Hearing -- (S) Nat. Rsrcs. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE MONTANA GREATER SAGE-GROUSE STEWARDSHIP ACT; ESTABLISHING THE MONTANA SAGE GROUSE OVERSIGHT TEAM; PROVIDING DUTIES AND RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FINDINGS AND DEFINITIONS; ESTABLISHING THE SAGE GROUSE STEWARDSHIP ACCOUNT; PROVIDING GRANT CRITERIA; ALLOWING FOR COMPENSATORY MITIGATION; CONDITIONING THE FUNDING OF LEASES OR CONSERVATION EASEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR MANAGEMENT OF CONVEYED LANDS; REQUIRING REPORTING; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 284	Require approval of county commissioners for bison relocation	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish & Game 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING AUTHORIZATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BEFORE WILD BUFFALO OR WILD BISON ARE RELEASED INTO A COUNTY; REQUIRING RELEASE OF WILD BUFFALO OR WILD BISON TO MEET CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 76-1-605, 81-2-120, AND 87-1-216, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 9	Cultural and Aesthetic Grants	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 02/06/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 317AB
HB 13	State Employee Pay Plan	Kathy Swanson (D) HD 77	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 14	Creating broadband development fund through bonding	Kelly McCarthy (D) HD 49	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 02/09/2015; 10:30 AM, Rm 317A
HB 17	Require workers' compensation insurers to provide loss information	Tom Berry (R) HD 40	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 18	Authorize student election judges	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 25	Revise laws relating to housing for offenders	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HB 31	Revise school finance laws	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 41	Revise tax appeal laws	Chuck Hunter (D) HD 83	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 45	Prohibit genetic information discrimination in all insurance	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 48	Establish on-line voter registration	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 56	Revising subdivision classifications for Ag land valuation	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 59	Increase university system supplemental contribution to TRS	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 62	Revise penalty for unauthorized use of state trust lands	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Natural Resources

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 65	State treasurer to receive local government fees for audits and reviews	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 69	Update training requirements for election administrators	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 75	Authorize creation of sex assault prosecution unit in AG's office	Stephanie Hess (R) HD 28	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 76	Expand election day to voting days	Janet Ellis (D) HD 81	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 78	Clarify vehicle owner's privacy rights for event data recorders	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/16/2015; 10:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 86	Revising the date absentee ballots are available in certain elections	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/22/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 88	Generally revise laws related to sex offender registration	Sarah Laszloffy (R) HD 53	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 89	Generally revise human trafficking laws	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 90	Revise workers' compensation laws	Andrea Olsen (D) HD 100	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 93	Increase ground water investigation program funding	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) HD 20	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 95	Generally revise public adjuster laws	Kelly McCarthy (D) HD 49	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended— (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 97	Authorize alternative contracting process	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) HD 73	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/03/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 99	Revise fuel tax laws	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) HD 73	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/03/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 103	Revise duties of state auditor office related to insurance and securities laws	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred—(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 104	Increase price of license plates issued by MDOT for certain vehicles/trailers,	Jennifer Eck (D) HD 79	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/05/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 106	Revise laws related to police horses	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 114	Revise tax increment finance district remittance laws for schools	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 118	Allow for electronic delivery of insurance policies	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 125	Revise term related to government accounting standards	Kathy Swanson (D) HD 77	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 127	Access to birth control act	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)* -- (H) Human Services
HB 130	Prohibit use of tanning devices for person under 18 years old absent consent	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HB 131	Revise election reporting period requirements	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 132	Authorize disbursement of unspent funds for DUI taskforce	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 133	Authorize the public defender to award fixed-fee contracts	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 134	Prohibit a youth from being transferred to adult supervision without a felony	Jennifer Eck (D) HD 79	(S) Returned to House with Amendments
HB 137	Address homeless prevention for people under dept. of corrections supervision	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 138	Consider housing needs in discharge plans to the Montana State Hospital	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
HB 150	Generally revise fish, wildlife, and parks, laws related to penalties	Kelly Flynn (R) HD 70	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 02/05/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 153	Repeal tax abatements for gray water systems	Roy Hollandsworth (R) HD 27	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 156	Revise tax laws related to pollution control equipment	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/29/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 159	Provide for property tax relief for seniors	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 164	Generally revise laws to expedite recovery of trustee sale surplus funds	Nicholas Schwaderer (R) HD 14	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/22/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 170	Revise definition of compensation in police retirement system	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/15/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 172	Revise delinquent tax laws related to sale of tax lien	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 173	Prohibit agency rule-making concerning marijuana	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 174	Require election of city court judges	Dale Mortensen (R) HD 44	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 177	Generally revise private air ambulance laws	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 180	Revise regional water laws	Bridget Smith (D) HD 31	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 182	Require that zoning be adopted before use of land can be regulated	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 183	Revise annexation laws related to parks	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 185	Revise driver license fee allocations to increase traffic educ. account funding	Jean Price (D) HD 24	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 191	Revise laws governing investigations of abuse at Montana state hospital	Jennifer Eck (D) HD 79	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 194	Revise bison laws	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Ag, Livestock and Irrigation
HB 195	Revise pretrial diversion laws	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Judiciary
HB 204	Revising laws relating to liability waivers and releases	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 03/05/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 205	Revise fees charged for alcohol license	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 207	Prohibiting disclosure of media info from electronic communications services	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/18/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 209	Revise laws related to designation of an agent to assist an elector	Casey Schreiner (D) HD 25	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 210	Revise specialty assault laws	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 211	Require POW/MIA flag be displayed at certain times and places	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
HB 214	Generally revise boating laws related to DUI offenses	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 217	Exempt certain amateur radio equipment from property tax	Tom Richmond (R) HD 56	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 222	Revise laws related to oversize loads	Roy Hollandsworth (R) HD 27	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Local Gov.
HB 224	Generally revise building code program laws	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 228	Increase coal board funding until June 30, 2019	Tom Berry (R) HD 40	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/04/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 229	Generally revise laws related to temporary road blocks	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 230	Repeal Community Renewable Energy Project requirements	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
HB 231	Revise information technology laws	Pat Noonan (D) HD 74	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 240	Revise laws related to fee charges for surplus lines property/casualty insurance	Tom Berry (R) HD 40	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 241	Clarify definition of commercial motor vehicle for emergency vehicles	Tom Berry (R) HD 40	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 242	Revise notification requirements when a vehicle is involved in an accident	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Transportation
HB 246	Revise laws related to deposit of oversize load fee revenue	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 247	Revise when ballots may be prepared for counting	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 260	Revise laws for payment of costs associated with irrigation district petitions	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(S) Hearing -- (S) Ag, Livestock and Irrigation 02/19/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 261	Revise laws regarding clerk of court fees for transmitting records	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 262	Revise resort tax laws	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 264	Require notification of change to retirement plan beneficiary	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 267	Generally revise laws related to motor carriers	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 01/30/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 271	Revise laws regarding physician dispensing of prescription medication	Albert Olszewski (R) HD 11	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/30/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 278	Generally revise fish and game laws with respect to unmanned aerial vehicles	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks 02/03/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 280	Generally revise laws on bicycles	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 281	Generally revise laws related to game wardens	Dale Mortensen (R) HD 44	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 283	Revise absentee and mail ballot laws	Keith Regier (R) HD 4	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 286	Require roads to remain open during a dispute over legal access	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/02/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 287	Revise residential property tax credit for the elderly	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 290	Require FWP to provide upon request the analyses supporting a government act	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 293	Post bill of rights in public buildings	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 295	Revise law for signage warning drivers of a school bus stop ahead	Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D) HD 42	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 296	Revise laws regarding mutual aid frequency coordination	Pat Noonan (D) HD 74	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications
HB 297	Prohibit texting and cell phone use while driving	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/09/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 299	Revise workers' compensation claim penalty laws	Mark Noland (R) HD 10	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/17/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
HB 302	Prohibit the adoption of certain rebuttable presumptions related to subdivisions	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 303	Revise laws related to recall petitions for school board members	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 308	Revise coal board and impact grant laws	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 312	Require MDT to consider growth policies and neighborhood plans	Nancy Wilson (D) HD 95	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 315	Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Act	Bill Harris (R) HD 29	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 318	Require insurance coverage for children with down syndrome	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 322	Create special needs education savings accounts	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 323	Revise taxation of class five pollution control equipment	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/10/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 324	Revise laws related to health insurers certificates of creditable coverage	Jeffrey W Welborn (R) HD 72	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 325	Revise property tax laws for active duty military	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/11/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 327	Reinstate community services for individuals with special needs	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 329	Generally revise laws related to state lands	Jeffrey W Welborn (R) HD 72	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 330	Establish standards for law enforcement use and acquisition of certain equipment	Nicholas Schwaderer (R) HD 14	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/04/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 333	Generally revise laws related to publicly operated cameras	Nicholas Schwaderer (R) HD 14	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/09/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 335	Clarifying "electioneering communication" within election laws	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 337	Increase resource limits for medicaid program for workers with disabilities	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Human Services
HB 340	Require federal government to comply with air quality laws in Montana	Tom Burnett (R) HD 67	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 342	Allow for electronic address confirmation for biennial absentee ballot list	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 343	Prohibit request of online passwords as a condition of hiring or employment	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 344	Generally prohibit governmental use of license plate scanners	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/09/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 346	Revise laws related to highway by-pass requirements	Clayton Fiscus (R) HD 43	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 347	Establish qualifications for & continuing education of Bd of Investments members	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 348	Authorize interstate healthcare compact	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 349	Address discriminatory health insurance policy practices	Kathleen Williams (D) HD 61	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 351	Revise process for salvaging game animals	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Hearing – (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 355	Revise horse surrender process	Alan Doane (R) HD 36	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 361	Provide for income tax credit for residential property taxes paid	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/10/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 362	Revise occupational health and safety standards	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Hearing – (H) Human Services 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 364	Revise laws related to certain municipalities setting highway speed limits	Nancy Wilson (D) HD 95	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/05/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172

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HB 366	Revise county district court clerk and justice of peace compensation laws	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 367	Generally revise local government fees	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Committee Executive Action-Bill Passed -- (H) Local Gov.
HB 368	Sunset voter approved property tax levies after certain period of time	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/10/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 369	Require losing party in litigation to pay litigation costs in certain lawsuits	Clayton Fiscus (R) HD 43	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/10/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 371	Generally revise concealed weapon laws	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/11/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 374	Provide for school suicide prevention awareness training	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 375	Revise motor vehicle minimum liability insurance laws	Steve Lavin (R) HD 8	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 382	Revising terminology relating to mental illness	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 383	Provide for mental and behavioral health screening for public school students	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 384	Increase Montana's minimum wage	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 385	Revise cash donation in lieu of land for park dedication requirement	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 386	Revise laws on sale to or exchange of park land with public entities	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 387	Revise county transportation committee laws	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(H) 3rd Reading Passed
HB 388	Generally revise self-defense laws	Randall Pinocci (R) HD 19	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 389	Require department of revenue review of tax exempt properties	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 392	Establish reemployment provisions for MPORS members	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/10/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 395	Revise laws and rules related to public swimming pools and spas	David (Doc) Moore (R) HD 92	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/19/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 400	Allow electronic ballot for disabled voters	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/11/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 402	Generally revise laws related to oil and gas development	Austin Knudsen (R) HD 34	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 406	Require compliance with campaign finance as a prerequisite of state contracts	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 407	Increase certain vehicle registration fees to benefit Virginia/Nevada cities	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 408	Revise contract rights for new members of public employee retirement plans	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/17/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 414	Generally revise vehicle license laws	Mike Lang (R) HD 33	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 420	Revise oil and gas tax rates and increase distributions to local governments	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 422	Improve outcomes for youth in the children's mental health system	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 427	Appropriate funds to defend state based water rights	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/18/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 428	Revise laws related to regulating ride-sharing services in Montana	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) HD 51	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 430	Provide for an interim judicial redistricting commission	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) HD 20	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 440	Revise oil pipeline and labor laws	George G Kipp (D) HD 15	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/18/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 152

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HB 441	Provide process for county abandonment/consolidation	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 443	Generally revise privacy laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 444	Generally revising laws related to electronic communications	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 445	Requiring search warrant for gov access to electronic devices	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 446	Revise campaign finance laws to authorize attorney fees for prevailing party	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/20/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 447	Revise right to participate laws related to attorney fees	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/16/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 448	Revise right to know laws related to attorney fees	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/16/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 455	Generally revise medicaid laws	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/18/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 458	Provide for the Smith River legacy act	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 461	Revise salary for certain justice positions	Steve Lavin (R) HD 8	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 462	Allow free association by public employees	Art Wittich (R) HD 68	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
HB 465	Preserve the ability of Montana citizens to heat structures by burning wood	Theresa Manzella (R) HD 85	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/18/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 467	Clarify laws related to roads, access, and private property	Mike Miller (R) HD 80	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 475	Revise statutory reimbursement schedule for school transportation funding	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 476	Revise water quality laws related to mines	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/18/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 483	Raising pension benefit in VFCA	Ed Lieser (D) HD 5	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
HB 484	Require certain delivery and disclosure of utility bills	Steve Lavin (R) HD 8	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HJ 5	Study reasonable water use	Clayton Fiscus (R) HD 43	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
HJ 8	Joint resolution to study Montana Law Enforcement Academy funding	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HJ 9	Joint resolution to support passenger rail	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HJ 10	Interim study on passenger rail	Ellie Boldman Hill (D) HD 90	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HJ 13	Interim study of federal roads and parcels and access	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HJ 14	Interim study on eyewitness identification policies	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/18/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HR 1	House Rules Resolution	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
HR 2	Resolution recognizing the service of 75 years of smoke jumpers	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 2	Raise state minimum wage	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) SD 16	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 3	Revise workers' comp impairment level for vocational rehabilitation benefits	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 9	Allow sharing of certain health care information with law enforcement	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 15	Clarify laws relating to the call of a retired judge or justice	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 17	Revise laws related to the agricultural land valuation advisory committee	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
SB 19	Revise livestock special deputy fund laws	Rick Ripley (R) SD 10	(H) Returned to Senate
SB 20	Reallocate metal mines license tax	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 02/04/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 26	Clarifying laws regarding electronic submitting of search warrants	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 37	Revise laws for filing of exempt water right claims	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Finance and Claims
SB 44	Authorize county regulation of fireworks	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(S) 2nd Reading Pass Motion Failed*
SB 47	Increase assessments on owners of classified forest land	JP Pomnichowski (D) SD 33	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) Natural Resources
SB 54	Provide taxpayers with additional access to confidential sales price information	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
SB 55	Revise traumatic brain injury contribution on vehicle registration to opt-out	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 56	Revise river bed laws	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
SB 65	Code Commissioner Bill	Robyn Driscoll (D) SD 25	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 69	Authorize sign placement as a campaign practice consideration	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) State Administration
SB 72	Allowing political party endorsements and expenditures in judicial races	Taylor Brown (R) SD 28	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/11/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 73	Revise U.S. Senate vacancy laws	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) State Administration
SB 74	Revise PERS employer contribution laws for the Montana State University System	Mary Sheehy Moe (D) SD 12	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
SB 82	Expand water policy interim committee duties	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/06/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 83	Adopt health insurance appeals/external review laws of NAIC	Christine Kaufmann (D) SD 40	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 01/22/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 84	Revise claims history considerations in insurance policies	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(H) Hearing – (H) Business and Labor 02/09/2015; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
SB 88	Establish contracting laws for conservation districts	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 90	Revise penalties eliminating jail time for certain misdemeanors	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
SB 91	Revising laws related to reciprocal tax collection	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Taxation
SB 92	Revise administration of taxes	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 02/12/2015; 1:30 PM, Rm 317
SB 109	Revise laws related to asset forfeiture	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
SB 110	Create temporary vehicle registration for non-resident vehicles	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 113	Generally revise Montana board of investment laws	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 115	Generally revise laws related to boarding animals subject to court proceedings	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*
SB 118	Clarify water right not abandoned if conveyance disrupted	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/30/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 123	Revising the regulatory authority over the Montana state fund	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
SB 139	Revise jury selection laws	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Concurred as Amended -- (H) Judiciary
SB 142	Revise laws related to health care options for patients with terminal illnesses	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(H) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended -- (H) Human Services
SB 147	Provide income tax credit for volunteer fire fighters and emergency personnel	David Howard (R) SD 29	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/03/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 148	Provide for the welfare fraud prevention act	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 150	Revise USB laws	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) SD 16	(H) Hearing -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecom. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 156	Revise tax protest laws	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 157	Generally revise tax reappraisal laws	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/04/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 161	Prohibit 457 deferred comp plan from accepting rollovers	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Hearing – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/09/2015; 10:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 172	Revise laws related to oil and gas development	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) SD 21	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 173	Revise laws related to oil and gas development	Christine Kaufmann (D) SD 40	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 174	Revise laws related to funds managed by cemetery association trustees	Mary Sheehy Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 177	Revise laws related to oil and gas development	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 178	Revise laws regarding vo-tech mill allocation	Mary Sheehy Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources 01/30/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 184	Allow for display of electronic proof of motor vehicle insurance	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
SB 185	Establish a state web page of convicted embezzlement names	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Judiciary
SB 187	Generally revise criminal laws	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) Judiciary
SB 188	Revise liability for forest or range fires	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(H) Hearing – (H) Natural Resources 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 190	Revising the legislature's revenue estimating process	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31	(S) Committee Executive Action- Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Taxation
SB 194	Revise residential property tax credit for the elderly	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/10/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 197	Revise paid leave/days laws	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 198	Revise longevity laws for state employees	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) State Administration
SB 201	Require evidence of septic pumping within 3 years before sale of real property	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed*

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 204	Lift cap on coal board allocations to Tribes impacted by coal production	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) SD 21	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/30/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 205	Provide for the Hire Montana First Act	Robyn Driscoll (D) SD 25	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 207	Revise laws related to defensive medicine	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 209	Regulate vehicle event data	Matthew M Rosendale (R) SD 18	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 210	Include mountain lion in livestock loss program	Gene Vuckovich (D) SD 39	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 211	Establish procedures for maximum allowable cost lists for prescription drugs	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
SB 213	Provide for school safety	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources
SB 214	Provide process for local nuisance declaration and recommendation	Elsie Arntzen (R) SD 26	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Local Government
SB 215	Revise public land laws	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 218	Increase bond for certain metal mines	Mary Sheehy Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 220	Repeal the electronic government advisory board and transfer duties	Christine Kaufmann (D) SD 40	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 222	Generally revise process service laws	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 224	Create a commission to study criminal justice system	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/11/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 225	Prohibit mixed partisan and nonpartisan mailers	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 228	Increase daytime speed limit for certain vehicles on certain highways	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) SD 16	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/10/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 230	Public scoping process for FWP land acquisitions	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 231	Revise admissibility in evidence of seat belt use laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 232	Revise stream access laws to reflect Galt decision	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) Ag, Livestock and Irrigation 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 233	Provide for medicaid waiver protection for certain military families	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
SB 234	Revise tax and fees for professional liability insurance	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/12/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 237	Revise laws governing impact fees	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Local Government
SB 238	Create a deferred retirement option plan (DROP) in Hwy Patrol Retirement Plan	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 239	Protect property rights of dog owners by prohibiting breed-specific ordinances	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 241	Provide statewide uniformity regarding wages/benefits for political subdivisions	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Committee Report—Bill Passed as Amended -- (S) Business, Labor, & Econ. Affairs
SB 248	Require identification for legislative public comment	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 251	Revise prevailing wage laws to match local government contracting	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/18/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 254	Generally revise laws related to Montana State Fund	Jim Keane (D) SD 38	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/13/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 258	Revise workers' compensation laws relating to religious employer definition	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 260	Revise education funding laws related to oil and gas production taxes	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 264	Revise distribution of sales and use tax	Bob Keenan (R) SD 5	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance and Claims 02/19/2015; 5:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 265	Generally revise unemployment laws related to multi-employer situations	Bob Keenan (R) SD 5	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
SB 268	Revise laws related to storm drainage sumps	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/09/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 271	Designating state auditor investigators as peace officers	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/17/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 273	Revise soil and conservation district laws	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/13/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 274	Prevent the federal government from selling public lands in Montana	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 279	Referendum to require special election for vacancy in the U.S. Senate or House	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
SB 285	Generally revise laws relating to reporting of animal cruelty and abuse	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 286	Limit agency rule making if it burdens property rights	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 288	Medical recovery of work comp payment from at-fault parties	Bruce Tutvedt (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/17/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 291	Revise laws on use of seatbelts and child safety restraints; primary enforcement	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/17/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 292	Create a drug formulary for workers' compensation	Matthew M Rosendale (R) SD 18	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/18/2015; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 294	Revise hospital district laws	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 296	Reduce time period vehicle may be abandoned before removal	Elsie Arntzen (R) SD 26	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 297	Prohibit third party dispatch related to tow-trucks	Elsie Arntzen (R) SD 26	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/12/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 298	Enforce provisions of the enabling act regarding sale of public lands	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/19/2015; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 299	Revising mandatory service of process laws for sheriffs	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
SB 302	Provide aftercare for family members in cases of suicide	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 303	Revise rural fire district laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/16/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 306	Generally revise laws on notarial acts	Elsie Arntzen (R) SD 26	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 308	Provide property tax exemption for certain land leased by local governments	Jennifer Fielder (R) SD 7	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Taxation
SB 309	Revise laws to incentivize access to isolated state and federal lands	Jedediah Hinkle (R) SD 32	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 02/17/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 314	Interstate pipeline compact	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 02/19/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 316	Generally revise laws re when certain individuals may be transferred to DOC	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
SJ 1	Joint Rules Resolution	Matthew M Rosendale (R) SD 18	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SJ 2	Study state assumption of federal dredge and fill permitting	Bradley Hamlett (D) SD 15	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
SJ 5	Study future water rights administration	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/11/2015; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SJ 9	Resolution on medicare/medicaid expansion	John Brenden (R) SD 17	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
SR 1	Senate Rules Resolution	Matthew M Rosendale (R) SD 18	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 2	Confirm Governor's appointees related to state administration	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration

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