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The Montana Association of Counties (MACo) publishes this weekly bulletin containing summary descriptions of bills of interest to local government officials. Each issue lists only the bills that have been introduced during the week. Please save this message or print it for future reference.

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MACo & THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE

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2017 PROJECTED SESSION CALENDAR

As adopted by Legislative Council—December 8, 2016

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. 2: 65th Legislative Session begins (Senate & House convene at noon.)~~

~~Jan. 17: Last day to request General Bills & Resolutions~~

~~Jan. 24: Last day to request Revenue Bills~~

Feb. 18: Last day for Committee to request General Bills & Resolutions

Feb. 23: Last day to introduce General Bills

March 1: Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber & Last day to request Appropriation Bills

March 2-5: Transmittal Break

March 22: 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; Last day to introduce Appropriation & Rev. Bills & Bills Proposing Referenda

March 30: Transmittal of Appropriation Bills, Revenue Bills & Bills Proposing Referenda; Last day to request Committee Bills to implement HB 2

April 6: Transmittal of amendments to General Bills

April 14-17: Break

April 18: Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills, Revenue Bills, Revenue-Estimating Resolution, and Bills Proposing Referenda

April 20: Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Estimating Joint Resolution

April 24: 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** (bills we are watching very closely or with which we may have some involvement), and **watch bills are highlighted yellow** (bills that are on our radar).

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 366	Abolish death penalty and replace with life w/o parole	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96
9:30 AM	(H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Education	472	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
9:30 AM	(H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Transportation	317C	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
1:30 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	303	SB 64	Generally revise laws related to the board of pardons and parole	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 175	Revise laws related to medical savings accounts	Jim Hamilton (D) HD 61
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 196	Institute vehicle registration fee for volunteer EMS	Becky Beard (R) HD 80
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 205	Revise tax laws related to vehicles	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 253	Inflationary increase for special education allowable cost of payment	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 35	Create a grant program for training volunteer respite providers	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 36	Fund Alzheimers related services provided by area agencies on aging	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 337	Require water reservation report by 2026	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 344	Provide funding for coal bed methane protection program	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 313	Require one license plate on certain motor vehicles	Barry Usher (R) HD 40
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 355	Revise laws related to school district transportation	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	422	HJ 1	Request study of funding for education programs for special needs students	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	HB 53	Repeal assessment computation statute for conservation districts	Zach Brown (D) HD 63
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	HJ 3	Interim study of water right change process	Zach Brown (D) HD 63
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	HB 177	Revise administration of immunization laws	Janet Ellis (D) HD 81
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 133	Prohibit use of tanning devices by a person under 18 years old	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 160	Require DPHHS to streamline procedures related to mental health services	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 79	Modify when a military member may be turned over to civil authorities for trial	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 81	Revise publication and distribution requirements for MAR and ARM	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 149	Revise times state officers and candidates file business disclosure reports	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 152	Revise laws relating to state employees	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on General Government	350	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on HHS	102	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 30	Remove voted levies approved after creation of TIF from tax increment provision	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 308	Provide for apprenticeship tax credit with increased amount for veterans	Casey Schreiner (D) HD 26
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 106	Provide registration authority for appraisal management companies	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 148	Establish the Montana Pay Equity Act	Sue Malek (D) SD 46
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 346	Designate fiscal agent as employer for workers' compensation insurance	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98
8:30 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Nat. Res. & Transport.	317C	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 341	Generally revise state employee travel and per diem laws	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 86	Authorize youth election judges	Kathy Swanson (D) HD 77
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 202	Generally revise laws related to government employees and officers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 237	Create grant program for behavioral health crisis response by law enforcement	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 172	Prohibit sale of fishing or hunting license if child support owed	Mike Lang (R) SD 17
9:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	HB 112	Revise uniform dispute review procedures for collection of delinquent taxes	Dave Fern (D) HD 5
9:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 150	Require vacation rentals to collect bed taxes	Dee Brown (R) SD 2
1:30 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	303	HB 191	Provide inflationary increase for ANB funding	Seth Berglee (R) HD 58
1:30 PM	(S) Finance and Claims	303	SB 162	Establish regional infrastructure	Keith Regier (R) SD 3
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 338	Revise livestock transportation permit laws	Casey Knudsen (R) HD 33
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 22	Appropriate money to assist/intervene/plan for closure of coal-fired generation	Jim Keane (D) HD 73
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 61	Revise and update 9-1-1 laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	152	HB 324	Revise laws related to state parks' administration	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	152	HB 367	Create voluntary hunting license check-off for predator management	Becky Beard (R) HD 80
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	SB 39	Repeal notification of cnty commission re: organization of conservation district	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 146	Revise community renewable energy project requirements	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 154	Revise net metering incentives	Mike Lang (R) SD 17
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	HB 128	Revise waiting period for bighorn sheep licenses	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	HB 183	Remove termination date on outfitter assistant laws	Kelly Flynn (R) HD 70
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	HB 240	Clarify allowed use of groomed snowmobile trails with snowmobile trail pass	Kerry White (R) HD 64
3:00 PM	(S) Fish and Game	422	SB 171	Prohibit restriction of certain deer permits	Cary Smith (R) SD 27
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	HB 241	Revise unattended motor vehicle laws	Alan Doane (R) HD 36
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	HB 267	Revise laws related to bicycles on roadways	Frank Garner (R) HD 7

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on HHS	102	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 343	Require Dept. of Revenue to amend rule for active duty tax exemption	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 359	Limit tax increment financing revenue to local mills	Tom Burnett (R) HD 67
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	SB 85	Submitting a 6-mill levy for support of the Montana University System to voters	Mary Moe (D) SD 12
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 169	Revise laws relating to agr. and construction equip. manufacturers	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 329	Revise contract amounts at which prevailing wages are paid	Theresa Manzella (R) HD 85
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 347	Revising speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensing laws	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 322	Change name of Columbus day holiday	Bridget Smith (D) HD 31
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 246	Revise handgun laws pertaining to federal property	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 258	Require detention center to allow inmates free calls to attorney	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 262	Generally revise concealed carry regulations for legal gun owners	Bill Harris (R) HD 37
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 179	Revise offer of judgment laws	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 134	Revise school funding related to facilities	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 298	Emphasize sexual abuse awareness and prevention in elementary schools	Edward Greef (R) HD 88
3:00 PM	(H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations	472	HB 365	Revise underground utility laws	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 142	Revise insurance law to give mental health coverage parity with physical health	Laurie Bishop (D) HD 60
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 323	Authorize emergency use of opioid antagonist in a school setting	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	SB 83	Volunteer Health Services Act	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 360	Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HB 368	Establish setbacks for wells and lagoons	Walt Sales (R) HD 69
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 336	Change the opt-in for TBI to an opt-out on vehicle registration forms	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 374	Revise right of way laws for county water and sewer districts	Kerry White (R) HD 64
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	422	HB 185	Establish grant program to eliminate tuition for certain postsecondary programs	Shane A Morigeau (D) HD 95
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	422	SB 159	Revise laws related to community colleges and bonding	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 188	Revise authority to create special districts	Keith Regier (R) SD 3
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 189	Revise protest provisions for special districts	Keith Regier (R) SD 3
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	HB 24	Providing protections to vulnerable persons from financial exploitation	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 101	Generally revise MPERA public employee retirement systems	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 103	Generally revise election laws - administrative cleanup	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 162	Provide appropriation for purple heart scholarship program	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HB 207	Revise number and time period for campaign reports	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	HJ 5	Resolution recognizing the anniversary of the Fort Robinson Breakout	Kelly McCarthy (D) HD 49

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	HB 223	Revise laws relating to title insurance	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 166	Adopt enhanced nurse licensure compact	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 354	Revise unemployment insurance retirement considerations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	SB 89	Generally revise automobile franchise laws	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 357	Generally revise laws related to strengthening voter identification	Derek Skees (R) HD 11
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 371	Allow late registrant absentee ballots to be dropped off at polling locations	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 174	Revise laws related to landlord-tenant disputes	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 175	Generally revise landlord and tenant laws	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 176	Revise requirements for landlord to access and maintain premises	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 177	Revise authority of self-governing local governments	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 325	Create exemption for raw milk producers	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 319	Provide process for designating roads as public	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 164	Revise northwest power and conservation council member appointment laws	Keith Regier (R) SD 3
3:00 PM	(S) Energy and Telecommunications	317	SB 168	Revising energy procurement plan review	Sue Malek (D) SD 46
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	SR 3	Confirm Governor's appointee for Director, Dept. of Transportation	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 10

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 348	Generally revise tenant landlord laws	Peggy Webb (R) HD 43
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 349	Revise effect of failure to sign landlord tenant rental agreement	Peggy Webb (R) HD 43
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 350	Generally revise default provisions in rental agreements	Peggy Webb (R) HD 43
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 184	Revise workers compensation to allow termination of payments due to fraud	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SR 8	Confirm Governor's appointee for Director, Dept. of Labor and Industry	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 383	Provide actuarial required funding for Sheriff's Retirement System	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 208	Provide that it is unlawful to retaliate against public whistleblowers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 277	Revise speedy trial laws for felony offenses	Matt Regier (R) HD 4
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	HB 278	Provide option for drug treatment on a deferred sentence	Matt Regier (R) HD 4
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 328	Revise county crisis intervention and jail diversion grant procedures	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 333	Adopt the Help Save Lives from Overdose Act	Frank Garner (R) HD 7
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 334	Directing that medicaid appropriations be used only for medicaid expenditures	Jon A Knokey (R) HD 65

2017 MACo PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Below are three different lists of proposed legislation for the 2017 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 101	Generally revise MPERA public employee retirement systems (MPERA's Bill - Addresses Our Independent Contractor Resolution)	N/A	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	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; CREATING WORKING RETIREE HOUR LIMITS AND SECOND RETIREMENT BENEFITS IN ALL SYSTEMS IN WHICH THEY DO NOT CURRENTLY EXIST; CLARIFYING ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICE PURCHASES; CLARIFYING LUMP-SUM PAYOUTS; PROVIDING FOR THE SUSPENSION OF SUSPECT BENEFIT PAYMENTS; PROVIDING FOR RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS; CLARIFYING WHEN RETIREMENT BENEFITS ARE SUBJECT TO ATTACHMENT; ASSESSING ACTUARIAL COSTS TO TERMINATING EMPLOYERS; EXCLUDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS FROM WORKING RETIREE LIMITATIONS ; REVISING THE AGE LIMIT FOR CERTAIN DISABILITY PAYMENTS; REVISING THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SERVICE PURCHASE IN THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; CLARIFYING RETURN TO SERVICE PROVISIONS FOR RETIRED VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-602, 19-2-603, 19-2-704, 19-2-902, 19-2-903, 19-2-904, 19-2-907, 19-2-1004, 19-3-108, 19-3-201, 19-3-403, 19-3-413, 19-3-1105, 19-3-1106, 19-3-2141, 19-5-502, 19-6-101, 19-6-1005, 19-7-101, 19-7-410, 19-7-1101, 19-8-101, 19-8-1003, 19-9-1204, 19-9-1207, 19-9-1301, 19-13-104, 19-13-212, 19-13-302, 19-13-1101, 19-17-112, 19-17-407, 19-17-412, 19-17-502, AND 19-17-503, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 19-8-1104 AND 19-17-506, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LC1308	Revise public retirement laws related to independent contractors	2016-RET	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	(C) Draft On Hold
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
HB 152	Authorize counties to establish junk vehicle capital improvement funds	2016-09	Tom Welch (R) HD 72	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH MOTOR VEHICLE RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS; DESIGNATING THE PURPOSE OF THE FUNDS; CAPPING ALLOCATIONS TO THE FUNDS; AMENDING SECTION 75-10-521, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 156	Extend statutory appropriation from hard rock mining impact trust account	2016-HRC	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT MAKING PERMANENT THE STATUTORY APPROPRIATION FOR THE COUNTY PAYMENT FROM THE HARD-ROCK MINING IMPACT TRUST FUND; REPEALING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 442, LAWS OF 2009; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
HB 293	Revise requirements related to release of patient immunization information	2016-08	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING LIMITED DISCLOSURE OF A PATIENT'S IMMUNIZATION RECORD WITHOUT THE PATIENT'S AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE STATE IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM; ALLOWING A PATIENT TO OPT OUT OF DISCLOSURE OF THE INFORMATION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 50-16-530, 50-16-603, 50-16-605, AND 50-16-805, MCA."			
HB 302	Revise laws related to incarceration and county detention centers	2016-05	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Committee Executive Action-- Bill Passed -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE PAYMENT OF COSTS AT A DETENTION CENTER; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO PAY THE COSTS FOR HOLDING A PROBATION OR PAROLE VIOLATOR OR A PERSON SUBJECT TO A PETITION TO REVOKE A SUSPENDED OR DEFERRED SENTENCE IN A COUNTY DETENTION CENTER IF THE DEPARTMENT IS THE ARRESTING AGENCY; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO PAY THE COSTS FOR HOLDING A PERSON IN A COUNTY DETENTION CENTER FROM THE DATE OF A PLEA, VERDICT, OR FINDING OF GUILTY; AMENDING SECTION 7-32-2242, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			

MACo RESOLUTIONS & INTRODUCED LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
HB 305	Allow counties to set bounties on predators	2016-01	Bill Harris (R) HD 37	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Agriculture
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO COUNTY BOUNTIES ON PREDATORS; ALLOWING COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF BOUNTIES; REVISING FUNDING SOURCES FOR BOUNTIES; REVISING THE TERM OF THE COUNTY LIVESTOCK FEE; REVISING APPOINTMENT OF BOUNTY INSPECTORS; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-7-201, 81-7-204, 81-7-303, AND 81-7-603, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 81-7-202, MCA."			
HB 317	Allow for a public hearing for first minor subdivision	2016-11	Walt Sales (R) HD 69	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/02/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A LOCAL GOVERNING BODY TO HOLD A HEARING AS PART OF REVIEW FOR CERTAIN SUBDIVISIONS; PROVIDING THAT A HEARING MAY BE HELD FOR A FIRST MINOR SUBDIVISION FROM A TRACT OF RECORD; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-506 AND 76-3-609, MCA."			
HB 319	Provide process for designating roads as public	2016-15	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/09/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORITY RELATED TO PUBLIC ROADS; ALLOWING CERTAIN ROADS TO BE DESIGNATED A PUBLIC ROAD IF A PETITION IS SUBMITTED AND A PRESUMPTION THAT THE ROAD IS PUBLIC IS NOT REBUTTED; REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS; ALLOWING FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW OF A DECISION BY A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DESIGNATE A ROAD AS A PUBLIC ROAD; REQUIRING THE BOARD TO DETERMINE THE SCOPE OF MAINTENANCE AND DECIDE HOW MAINTENANCE WILL OCCUR; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-14-2101, MCA."			
HB 373	Revise county property disposal	2016-21	Bruce Grubbs (R) HD 68	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS GOVERNING ACQUISITION AND SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY; CLARIFYING PROVISIONS FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REAL PROPERTY; PROVIDING THAT TAX-DEED LAND NOT SOLD AT TWO CONSECUTIVE AUCTIONS BE RETAINED BY THE COUNTY; REQUIRING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION FOR PROCEDURES FOR SELLING, EXCHANGING, AND DONATING REAL PROPERTY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-8-2201, 7-8-2211, 7-8-2212, 7-8-2213, 7-8-2216, 7-8-2217, 7-8-2231, 7-8-2301, 7-8-2501, 7-8-2513, 7-8-2515, AND 76-6-109, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 7-8-2202, 7-8-2210, 7-8-2219, 7-8-2233, 7-8-2308, 7-8-2502, 7-8-2504, 7-8-2505, 7-8-2506, 7-8-2507, 7-8-2508, 7-8-2509, 7-8-2511, AND 7-8-2512, MCA."			
SB 194	Revise state secondary highway system funding laws	2016-06	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(C) Draft in Input/Proofing
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING USE OF FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY FUNDS FOR SURFACE PRESERVATION ON THE SECONDARY HIGHWAY SYSTEM; AND AMENDING SECTION 60-3-206, MCA."			
LC0447	Generally revise local government laws (Review Standard for MT Subdivision & Platting Act)	2016-14	Ed Greef (R) HD 88	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS GOVERNING LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUBDIVISION REVIEW DECISIONS; REQUIRING FINDINGS OF FACT IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW TO BE BASED ON THE RECORD AS A WHOLE; CLARIFYING WHEN A DECISION MADE BY A GOVERNING BODY MUST BE SUSTAINED WHEN CHALLENGED; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-608 AND 76-3-625, MCA."			
LC0448	Generally revise local government laws (Authorization for Phasing in MT Subdivision & Platting Act)	2016-02	Ed Greef (R) HD 88	(C) Draft to Drafter - Edit Review
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LC0725	Authorize cancellation of local uncontested general elections by municipalities	2016-20	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(C) Draft to Requester for Review
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LC1183	Increase funding for noxious weed trust fund	2016-12	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(C) Draft Delivered to Requester
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING CERTAIN VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES TO INCREASE FUNDS FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL; CLARIFYING A DEFINITION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-22-2101, 15-1-122, AND 61-3-321, MCA."			

MACo RESOLUTIONS & INTRODUCED LEGISLATION (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
LC1382	Generally revise laws applicable to county government	2016-07	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS; PROVIDING FOR FILLING A VACANCY ON A COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD AND A SPECIAL DISTRICT BOARD; REVISING THE DATE FOR FILLING A VACANCY IN A COUNTY OFFICE; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF A CONTRACT FOR WHICH THE STATE RESIDENT BIDDING PREFERENCE WOULD APPLY; PROVIDING FOR PROTEST OF A PROPOSED DISSOLUTION OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT; CLARIFYING THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS THE ENTITY TO APPOINT A RURAL FIRE DISTRICT TRUSTEE IF THERE IS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR A TRUSTEE OFFICE; CLARIFYING THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS THE ENTITY TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF A CANCELLATION OF AN ELECTION AND TO FILL A POSITION UPON CANCELLATION OF AN ELECTION; CLARIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY LEGAL ADVERTISING AND COUNTY PRINTING CONTRACTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-201, 7-4-2206, 7-5-2309, 7-11-1021, 7-11-1029, 7-33-2106, 13-1-402, 13-1-403, 13-1-501, 13-1-502, 15-17-122, 18-7-411, 18-7-412, AND 18-7-413, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LC1591	Revise and clarify special purpose district election laws	2016-03	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(C) Draft to Requester for Review
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LC1644	Revise tax laws for property within Indian reservation boundaries	2016-19	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(C) Draft On Hold
	LOOKING FOR A SPONSOR.			
LC1703	Revise speed limit laws	2016-16	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(C) Draft to Requester for Review
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			
LC1782	Special elections to fill U.S. senate or representative vacancy to be by mail	2016-10	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(C) Draft On Hold
	LANGUAGE NOT YET AVAILABLE			

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 11	Treasure state endowment program	Jim Keane (D) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Long-Range Planning 01/13/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 14	Bonding program	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Long-Range Planning 01/27/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING THE JOBS IN MONTANA ACT; PROVIDING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS STATEWIDE; CREATING THE STATE TO COMMUNITY BOND ACCOUNT FOR GRANTS AND LOANS AND THE STATE AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNT; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE VETERANS' HOME IN SOUTHWESTERN MONTANA; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS AND LOANS TO STATE AND LOCAL ENTITIES FOR PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND LOANS; AUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND LOANS AND AMOUNTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND AUTHORIZING THE INTEGRATED TESTING CENTER; REAUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND LOANS AUTHORIZED BY THE 64TH LEGISLATURE; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS AND LOANS; REQUIRING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR PROJECTS BASED ON A FORMULA; CREATING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF STATE DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS TO THE GENERAL FUND; CLARIFYING THAT CERTAIN ACCOUNTS ARE SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE FUND TRANSFERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-10-420, 15-38-302, 17-5-703, 20-9-516, 90-6-701, AND 90-6-715, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 2, CHAPTER 461, LAWS OF 2009; AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 324, LAWS OF 2011; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 18	Revise tax lien and tax deed laws (Tax Lien Working Group Bill)	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(S) 2nd Reading Concurred as Amended
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE PROCESS FOR THE SALE OF A TAX LIEN AND ISSUANCE OF A TAX DEED FOR DELINQUENT TAXES; ELIMINATING THE TAX LIEN SALE; REQUIRING THE COUNTY TO ASSIGN A TAX LIEN TO AN ASSIGNEE WHO PAYS DELINQUENT TAXES; REVISING NOTIFICATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE ATTACHMENT OF A TAX LIEN AND ISSUANCE OF A TAX DEED; REQUIRING A DELINQUENT TAXPAYER TO ONLY PAY THE PROPERTY TAXES CURRENTLY DUE BEFORE PAYING DELINQUENT TAXES; ALLOWING AN ASSIGNEE TO PAY SUBSEQUENT YEAR DELINQUENT TAXES ONLY AFTER THE TAXES ARE DELINQUENT; ALLOWING CANCELLATION OF A TAX LIEN ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED IN ERROR; REVISING THE TIME PERIOD FOR WHICH REAL PROPERTY TAXES MUST BE DELINQUENT BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSION MAY CONSIDER CANCELLATION; REPEALING COUNTY TREASURER DUTIES RELATED TO COUNTY CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS FOR SEED GRAIN, FEED, OR OTHER RELIEF; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-16-101, 15-16-102, 15-16-701, 15-17-121, 15-17-122, 15-17-123, 15-17-124, 15-17-131, 15-17-212, 15-17-317, 15-17-318, 15-17-320, 15-17-323, 15-17-324, 15-17-325, 15-17-326, 15-18-111, 15-18-112, 15-18-113, 15-18-114, 15-18-211, 15-18-212, 15-18-213, 15-18-214, 15-18-215, 15-18-216, 15-18-217, 15-18-218, 15-18-411, 15-18-412, 15-18-413, 39-3-501, 85-7-2136, 85-7-2152, 85-7-2155, 85-7-2156, 85-7-2157, 85-7-2158, 85-7-2159, 85-7-2162, 85-7-2163, AND 85-8-601, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 15-16-305, 15-17-211, 15-17-213, 15-17-214, AND 15-17-321, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICABILITY DATES."		
HB 61	Revise and update 9-1-1 laws (ETIC Bill from Stakeholder Working Group & 9-1-1 Advisory Council)	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/07/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING 9-1-1 LAWS; ESTABLISHING A 9-1-1 ADVISORY COUNCIL; ESTABLISHING 9-1-1 ADVISORY COUNCIL AND DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION DUTIES FOR 9-1-1 SYSTEMS AND SERVICES; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; CLARIFYING LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND 9-1-1 DISTRICT ROLES; <u>LIMITING PROVIDERS' LIABILITY</u> PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; UPDATING TERMS TO INCLUDE NEXT-GENERATION 9-1-1; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF 9-1-1 FEES; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO UPDATE THE ALLOCATION OF 9-1-1 FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECENNIAL CENSUS; ESTABLISHING ACCOUNTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF 9-1-1 FUNDS; REQUIRING THAT CERTAIN FEES COLLECTED FOR 9-1-1 SERVICES BE REALLOCATED UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; ESTABLISHING A REALLOCATION PROCESS; ESTABLISHING A NEXT-GENERATION 9-1-1 INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNT; CREATING A NEXT-GENERATION 9-1-1 INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM; PROVIDING CRITERIA TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR AWARDED NEXT-GENERATION 9-1-1 INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS; ESTABLISHING A 9-1-1 GIS MAPPING ACCOUNT; REQUIRING THE STATE LIBRARY TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR A GIS ASSESSMENT; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE 9-1-1 PLANNING ACCOUNT; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE 9-1-1 PLAN; ESTABLISHING A PRIVATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT 9-1-1 GRANT PROGRAM; PROVIDING PRIORITIES AND CRITERIA FOR THE 9-1-1 GRANT PROGRAM; TRANSFERRING FUNDS; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 10-4-101, 10-4-103, 10-4-201, <u>10-4-204</u> , 10-4-301, 10-4-302, 10-4-313, AND 17-7-502, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 10-4-102, 10-4-104, 10-4-111, 10-4-112, 10-4-113, 10-4-114, 10-4-115, 10-4-121, 10-4-125, 10-4-126, 10-4-301, 10-4-302, 10-4-303, 10-4-311, 10-4-312, AND 10-4-313, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
HB 73	Regulate certain air ambulance memberships as insurance	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed – (H) Business and Labor
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REGULATION UNDER THE INSURANCE CODE FOR CERTAIN PRIVATE AIR AMBULANCE SERVICE MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENTS; REMOVING AN EXEMPTION FROM INSURANCE REGULATION; ESTABLISHING FEES, LICENSING, TRADE, FORM FILING, AND RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS; GRANTING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 33-1-102 AND 50-6-320, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 83	Generally revise election laws	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/30/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING ELECTION LAWS; CLARIFYING WHEN AN ELECTION REQUESTED BY PETITION CONCERNING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE MUST BE HELD; REVISING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO RESORT TAX ELECTIONS; REVISING THE DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES IN SPECIAL DISTRICT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS; REVISING THE DEADLINES BY WHICH ABSENTEE AND MAIL BALLOTS MUST BE AVAILABLE; CLARIFYING THE DEADLINE FOR THE CANCELLATION OF A CONSERVATION DISTRICT ELECTION; CLARIFYING THAT COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATORS RATHER THAN SCHOOL CLERKS PERFORM VOTER REGISTRATION DUTIES FOR SCHOOL ELECTIONS; REVISING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO SCHOOL ELECTIONS; CLARIFYING THE TRANSITION OF TERMS OF OFFICE FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT OFFICERS; AMENDING SECTIONS <u>7-3-103</u> , <u>7-3-149</u> , 7-5-132, 7-6-1504, 13-1-101, 13-1-403, 13-1-404, 13-1-502, 13-2-301, 13-3-213, 13-10-211, 13-13-205, 13-13-222, 20-3-313, AND 20-20-204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 84	Allow for biennial county matching grants for mental health crisis intervention	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Svcs. 01/09/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT GRANTS FOR COUNTY CRISIS INTERVENTION AND JAIL DIVERSION ACTIVITIES BE MADE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS; AMENDING SECTION 53-21-1203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 85	Provide actuarial funding for Sheriffs' Retirement System	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING FUNDING PROVISIONS FOR THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; INCREASING MEMBER CONTRIBUTION RATES; PROVIDING FOR A REDUCTION IN MEMBER CONTRIBUTION RATES DEPENDING ON ANNUAL ACTUARIAL VALUATION; PROVIDING FOR A TEMPORARY INCREASE TO EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-403 AND 19-7-404, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 94	Generally revise public safety officer standards/training council laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/10/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL LAWS; CLARIFYING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTY CORONERS AND DEPUTY CORONERS; REVISING PEACE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS; REVISING COUNCIL DUTIES; REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION; REVISING DUTIES OF APPOINTING AUTHORITIES; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICERS; CLARIFYING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; EXTENDING THE BOARD'S RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2901, 7-4-2904, 7-4-2905, 7-32-240, 7-32-303, 44-4-401, 44-4-403, 44-4-404, 46-9-108, 46-9-505, 46-23-1001, 46-23-1003, AND 46-23-1005, MCA."		
HB 126	Generally revise the Montana pesticides act	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Committee Report—Bill Passed as Amended – (H) Ag.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE MONTANA PESTICIDES ACT; REVISING PESTICIDE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS; REVISING CERTAIN DEFINITIONS, FEES, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATORS, DEALERS, FARM APPLICATORS, AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL FEES FOR CERTAIN CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS; PROVIDING THAT ONLY INDIVIDUALS MAY RECEIVE PESTICIDE DEALER LICENSES; CLARIFYING PESTICIDE DEALER REQUIREMENTS; REVISING THE METHODS OF SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS; EXTENDING THE INTEGRATED PEST AND PESTICIDE MANAGEMENT SAFETY PROGRAM TO OTHER FACILITIES; EXTENDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 80-8-102, 80-8-107, 80-8-111, 80-8-201, 80-8-202, 80-8-203, 80-8-207, 80-8-209, 80-8-213, 80-8-302, 80-8-303, 80-8-401, 80-8-404, AND 80-15-302, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 80-8-208 AND 80-8-214, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 229	Allowing worker to choose treating physician in workers' compensation cases	Andrea Olsen (D) HD 100	(H) Hearing -- (H) Bus. & Labor 01/27/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE TERMS FOR AN INJURED WORKER TO DESIGNATE A TREATING PHYSICIAN FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION PURPOSES; AMENDING SECTION 39-71-1101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 230	Require certain costs paid to detention centers be based on actual costs	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 02/02/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT CERTAIN COSTS PAID BY AN ARRESTING AGENCY OR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO THE OPERATOR OF A DETENTION CENTER BE BASED ON ACTUAL COSTS; PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTING OF COST CALCULATIONS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-2241, 7-32-2242, AND 53-30-106, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 237	Create grant program for behavioral health crisis response by law enforcement	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/07/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM TRAINING PROGRAM; REQUIRING THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM; ALLOWING THE BOARD TO OFFER GRANT FUNDING AND TO CONTRACT WITH A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE OR COORDINATE TRAINING; AND GRANTING THE BOARD RULEMAKING AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM."		
HB 257	Consider housing needs in Montana State Hospital discharge plans	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Svcs. 01/25/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE DISCHARGE PLAN FOR A PATIENT ADMITTED TO THE MONTANA STATE HOSPITAL TO ADDRESS THE PATIENT'S HOUSING NEEDS UPON DISCHARGE; PROHIBITING DISCHARGE TO A HOMELESS SITUATION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 53-21-601, 53-21-1002, AND 53-21-1006, MCA."		
HB 259	Create program to help veterans with startup costs for micro businesses	Susan Webber (D) HD 16	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)*01/18/2017
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A PREFERENCE UNDER THE BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR MONTANA VETERANS' BUSINESS STARTUPS; ALLOWING GRANTS OR LOANS TO BE USED AS EQUITY FOR MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDING; EXTENDING RULEMAKING; AMENDING SECTIONS 90-1-201 AND 90-1-204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 316	Repeal state land equalization reporting laws	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(H) Committee Report— Bill Passed -- (H) Local Gov.
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING OUTDATED REPORTING OF STATE LAND EQUALIZATION PAYMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 15-1-121, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 77-1-501, 77-1-502, 77-1-503, AND 77-1-504, MCA."		
HB 328	Revise county crisis intervention and jail diversion grant procedures	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/10/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION AND JAIL DIVERSION GRANT PROCEDURES; ESTABLISHING PRIORITY FOR AWARDING OF GRANT FUNDS; ALLOWING FOR BIENNIAL GRANTS; AMENDING SECTION 53-21-1203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 329	Revise contract amounts at which prevailing wages are paid	Theresa Manzella (R) HD 85	(H) Hearing -- (H) Bus. & Labor 02/08/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING UPWARD THE AMOUNT AT WHICH THE PREVAILING WAGE CONTRACT LAWS APPLY TO COUNTIES, CITIES, AND OTHER PUBLIC CONTRACTS; PROVIDING AN INFLATION ADJUSTMENT; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-5-1526, 17-5-1527, 18-2-401, 18-2-403, AND 90-5-114, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 341	Generally revise state employee travel and per diem laws	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/07/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR MEALS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO THE STANDARD FEDERAL RATE; CLARIFYING TO WHOM THE RATES APPLY; CLARIFYING LODGING AND FOREIGN TRAVEL RATES TO MATCH CURRENT POLICY; INCREASING THE ACCOMMODATIONS AND CAMPGROUNDS SALES AND USE TAXES TO OFFSET THE COST; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-501 AND 15-68-102, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 359	Limit tax increment financing revenue to local mills	Tom Burnett (R) HD 67	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/08/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT LIMITING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING; PROVIDING THAT PROPERTY TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO AN URBAN RENEWAL AREA OR TARGETED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IS LIMITED TO REVENUE RECEIVED FROM LEVIES IMPOSED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT ESTABLISHED THE AREA OR DISTRICT; ESTABLISHING A STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR LOANS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THAT ARE UNABLE TO PAY PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST DUE ON OUTSTANDING BONDS; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION FROM THE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR REPAYMENT OF LOANS TO THE STATE IN FULL BY EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE OF CERTAIN TAX INCREMENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR A GENERAL FUND TRANSFER TO THE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4282, 7-15-4283, 7-15-4286, 7-15-4291, 7-15-4292, 7-15-4293, 17-7-502, AND 71-3-1506, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 365	Revise underground utility laws	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Hearing -- (H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS REGARDING EXCAVATIONS NEAR UNDERGROUND FACILITIES; CREATING AN UNDERGROUND FACILITY PROTECTION ADVISORY COUNCIL; ALLOCATING THE COUNCIL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY; ESTABLISHING THE COUNCIL'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; GRANTING THE DEPARTMENT RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO AWARD GRANTS TO NOTIFICATION CENTERS; ESTABLISHING A GRANT PROGRAM; ALLOWING FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES, FINES, AND CIVIL PENALTIES BY THE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING DIRECTION ON THE COLLECTION OF FEES, FINES, AND CIVIL PENALTIES; ESTABLISHING CIVIL PENALTIES; ESTABLISHING DAMAGE LIABILITY REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR MEDIATION OF CIVIL PENALTIES; ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW CIVIL PENALTIES IN A CONTESTED CASE; ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL FEE PAID BY UNDERGROUND FACILITY OWNERS; REQUIRING THE REPORTING OF INCIDENTS; ESTABLISHING SAFE EXCAVATION REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO UNDERGROUND FACILITIES; ESTABLISHING AN UNDERGROUND FACILITY PROTECTION ACCOUNT; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 69-4-501, 69-4-502, 69-4-503, 69-4-504, 69-4-508, AND 69-4-512, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 69-4-505, 69-4-513, AND 69-4-514, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 2	Clarify county commission quorum requirements	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/01/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING THAT THE PRESENCE OF MEMBERS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A MEETING; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-5-2122, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 15	Revise collection of payment for historic rights of way	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION'S COLLECTION OF FULL MARKET VALUE WHEN ISSUING A HISTORIC RIGHT-OF-WAY DEED; AND AMENDING SECTION 77-1-130, MCA."		
SB 44	Provide process to hold patients harmless from balance billing by air ambulance	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34	(S) Committee Executive Action-- Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Business, Labor, & Econ. Affairs
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE APPORTIONMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND INTEREST EARNINGS TO MONTANA COUNTIES; DECREASING THE TIME REQUIRED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FOREST RESERVE AND CERTAIN OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS AND INTEREST EARNINGS TO MONTANA COUNTIES; PROVIDING THAT NO INTEREST ON THESE FUNDS ARE PAID TO COUNTIES IF HELD BY STATE FOR 5 DAYS OR LESS; ALLOWING FUNDS TO BE APPORTIONED AND DISTRIBUTED PURSUANT TO SUBSEQUENT FEDERAL ACTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-3-211, 17-3-212, AND 17-3-213, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 46	Revise laws on forest reserve money kept in state treasury	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE APPORTIONMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND INTEREST EARNINGS TO MONTANA COUNTIES; DECREASING THE TIME REQUIRED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FOREST RESERVE AND CERTAIN OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS AND INTEREST EARNINGS TO MONTANA COUNTIES; PROVIDING THAT NO INTEREST ON THESE FUNDS ARE PAID TO COUNTIES IF HELD BY STATE FOR 5 DAYS OR LESS; ALLOWING FUNDS TO BE APPORTIONED AND DISTRIBUTED PURSUANT TO SUBSEQUENT FEDERAL ACTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-3-211, 17-3-212, AND 17-3-213, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 69	Create task force to study public employee health benefits	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Business, Labor, & Econ. Affairs
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING AN INTERIM TASK FORCE TO STUDY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS TO DETERMINE WHETHER CHANGES TO MONTANA'S CURRENT SYSTEM WOULD IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES, CARE AVAILABILITY, COST EFFICIENCY, AND BENEFIT PARITY; SPECIFYING MEMBERS AND DUTIES; PROVIDING A CONTINGENT VOIDNESS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
SB 72	Create presumptive illness for firefighters	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance & Claims 02/02/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A PRESUMPTION IN FAVOR OF FIREFIGHTERS FOR CERTAIN DISEASES; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS, APPLICABLE FACTORS, AND PROCESS FOR REBUTTAL; FUNDING PRESUMPTIVE DISEASE BENEFITS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS; AMENDING SECTION 50-3-109, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE EFFECTIVE DATES."		
SB 95	Authorize necessary measures to implement House Bill 2	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Finance and Claims
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS AND OTHER NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT; CLARIFYING THAT CERTAIN ACCOUNTS ARE SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE FUND TRANSFERS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET TO INCLUDE SOME OR ALL OF THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH PLAN TO REDUCE ITS BASE BUDGET; CLARIFYING USES OF THE SCHOOL FACILITY AND TECHNOLOGY ACCOUNT; CLARIFYING FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES; CLARIFYING USES OF THE HEALTH AND MEDICAID INITIATIVES ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR THE CALCULATION OF PHYSICIAN SERVICES REIMBURSEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR MAXIMUM RATES PAYABLE TO REGIONAL PRISONS; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL USES OF THE FIRE SUPPRESSION ACCOUNT AND SUSPENDING TRANSFERS INTO THE ACCOUNT; CLARIFYING FUNDING SOURCES FOR LIEN PURCHASES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING EFFICIENCY SAVINGS IDENTIFIED IN THE BIENNIUM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017; AMENDING SECTIONS 10-1-108, 10-3-312, 10-4-301, 17-7-122, 20-9-516, 20-15-310, 20-26-1501, 32-2-102, 44-5-306, 44-5-307, 50-46-344, 52-3-115, 53-6-125, 53-6-1201, 53-19-310, 53-30-507, 76-13-150, 85-1-615, AND 90-1-205, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 98	Establish property ownership fairness act	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/27/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MONTANA PROPERTY FAIRNESS ACT; DEFINING TERMS; REQUIRING A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY TO COMPENSATE A PROPERTY OWNER IF THE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY'S ACTION RESULTS IN TAKING OR DAMAGING THE PROPERTY BY DIMINISHING THE PROPERTY'S FAIR MARKET VALUE; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; WAIVING GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY FROM SUIT FOR TAKING OR DAMAGING PROPERTY; PROVIDING A STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS; PROVIDING FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW, JUDGMENT PROCEDURES, ATTORNEY FEES, AND FEES AND COSTS; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
SB 106	Revise laws related to the use of certain chemical de-icers on Montana roads A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A REDUCTION IN THE USE OF CHLORIDE-BASED LIQUID DE-ICERS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS."	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(S) Committee Report—Bill Passed -- (S) Hwys. & Transport.
SB 125	Provide exemption for large increases in property value A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR LARGE INCREASES IN PROPERTY VALUE; PROVIDING AN EXEMPTION FOR THE PORTION OF TOTAL APPRAISED VALUE THAT EXCEEDS THE TOTAL APPRAISED VALUE IN THE PREVIOUS REAPPRAISAL CYCLE BY MORE THAN 10%; PROVIDING FOR CARRY FORWARD OF THE EXEMPT VALUE TO A REAPPRAISAL CYCLE IN WHICH THE TOTAL APPRAISED VALUE DOES NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL APPRAISED VALUE IN THE PREVIOUS REAPPRAISAL CYCLE BY MORE THAN 10%; PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION IF THE INCREASE IN APPRAISED VALUE IS DUE TO NEW CONSTRUCTION, REMODELING, OR RECLASSIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Taxation
SB 126	Revise laws related to property valuation appeal process A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO APPEALS OF PROPERTY VALUATION FOR TAX PURPOSES; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE TAXPAYER TO PROVIDE INDEPENDENT APPRAISALS TO THE STATE TAX APPEAL BOARD; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-2-301 AND 15-2-302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/26/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 127	Revise public officer vacancy laws A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PUBLIC OFFICE VACANCY LAWS; PROVIDING THAT AN OFFICE BECOMES VACANT ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE STIPULATED IN THE OFFICIAL RESIGNATION OF AN INCUMBENT; PROVIDING THAT RESIGNATIONS MUST STIPULATE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; CLARIFYING LEGISLATOR APPOINTMENT LAWS REGARDING VACANCY AND RESIGNATION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-16-501, 2-16-502, 5-2-402, AND 5-2-406, MCA."	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Administration
SB 155	Prohibit local government regulation of agricultural seeds A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING CONSISTENCY OF AGRICULTURAL AND VEGETABLE SEED REGULATION BY THE STATE; PROHIBITING LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF AGRICULTURAL SEED; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-111, 80-5-120, AND 80-5-136, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Ag., Livestock and Irrigation
SB 162	Establish regional infrastructure A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS STATEWIDE; CREATING A LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT ACCOUNT; ESTABLISHING FOUR STATEWIDE REGIONS TO RECEIVE EQUAL FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING; AUTHORIZING THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE TO AWARD FUNDS FOR LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS; AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO ADMINISTER GRANTS AND DISBURSE FUNDS FOR LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS; REQUIRING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR PROJECTS; PROVIDING FOR A GENERAL FUND TRANSFER; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance & Claims 02/07/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303

MACo WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 1	Feed Bill	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on HHS 02/08/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 102
HB 3	Revising expenditures and providing supplemental appropriations	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Appropriations
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/31/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B

MACo WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/12/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/12/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 01/12/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcom. on Long-Range Planning 02/01/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
HB 12	Generally revise school funding	Denise Hayman (D) HD 66	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)*
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 17	Increase HCBS waiver slots and assisted living reimbursement rates	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 19	Allow claim of elderly owner/renter credit on property not subject to taxes	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 21	Establish benefits and retirement security task force	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations
HB 22	Appropriate money to assist/intervene/plan for closure of coal-fired generation	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 02/07/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 24	Providing protections to vulnerable persons from financial exploitation	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 27	Revise agricultural valuation laws related to property under a residence	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 28	Revise eligibility of land for agricultural valuation	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)*
HB 29	Require parcel to be at least 1 acre for valuation as agricultural property	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/02/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 30	Remove voted levies approved after creation of TIF from tax increment provision	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/07/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 35	Create a grant program for training volunteer respite providers	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 36	Fund Alzheimers related services provided by area agencies on aging	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 38	Revise allowable harvest volume for certain state land timber harvest	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
HB 41	Revise laws related to oversized loads to comply with federal law	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(S) Rereferred to Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 43	Authorize informal review deadline for second year property reappraisal cycle	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 44	Generally revise laws related to district court judge numbers	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/27/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 46	Generally revising funding for civil legal aid	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations 1/31/2017
HB 48	Clarify definition of water right change	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 49	Clarify process for updating water right transfers	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 50	Require disclosure of dates of certain campaign contributions	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 51	Authorize online voter registration	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration

MACo WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 53	Repeal assessment computation statute for conservation districts	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
HB 54	Revise water right abandonment laws to account for drought plans	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Natural Resources
HB 55	Revise department of transportation property transfer laws	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended – (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 56	Revise motor carrier laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations 01/16/2017; Rm 472
HB 57	DPHHS to determine eligibility for state public defender services	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 58	Require public defender workload assessment study	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary 01/11/2017; Rm 137
HB 59	Revise appointment of public defender for putative father in neglect cases	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred as Amended – (S) Judiciary
HB 60	Provide support for communities affected by closure of coal-fired generation	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Energy, Tech., & Fed. Relations
HB 62	Dept. of Revenue to collect fees for public defender services	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 63	Require withholding annual returns, W2s, and 1099s to be filed earlier	Jim Hamilton (D) HD 61	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 65	Revise budget consultation between public defender offices	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Judiciary
HB 66	Revise school funding related to facilities	Amanda Curtis (D) HD 74	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/23/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 67	Generally revise Teachers' Retirement System	Marilyn Ryan (D) HD 99	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.
HB 68	Revise university system retirement plan participation requirements	Marilyn Ryan (D) HD 99	(S) Committee Report— Bill Concurred -- (S) State Admin.
HB 71	Require certain licensed health professionals be trained in suicide prevention	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Pub. Health, Welfare and Safety
HB 72	Increase university system supplemental contribution to TRS	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 74	Revise property reappraisal laws	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 75	Eliminate the nonqualified agricultural property designation	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)* -- (H) Taxation
HB 76	Amend laws related to remittance of tax increment	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 77	Revise public defender system and provide for a director hired by governor	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 78	Revise temporary water right lease laws	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Natural Resources
HB 81	Revise publication and distribution requirements for MAR and ARM	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 86	Authorize youth election judges	Kathy Swanson (D) HD 77	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/07/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 89	Establish holistic defense pilot project within state public defender system	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Judiciary
HB 91	Revise food safety laws	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation 01/31/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 92	Allow for alternative contracting process for the department of transportation	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Hearing – (S) Highways and Transportation 02/02/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
HB 93	Generally revise law enforcement academy funding laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 95	Increasing access to behavioral health care	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading

MACo WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 98	Revise classifications of striped skunk, civet cat, spotted skunk	Janet Ellis (D) HD 81	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 01/26/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
HB 99	Limit adverse effects analysis	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 102	Extend bond validating act	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 103	Generally revise election laws - administrative cleanup	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
HB 104	Statutory appropriation for Ground Water Investigation Program	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
HB 107	Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
HB 109	Require every applicant for public notary to pass an exam	Jean Price (D) HD 24	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary 01/11/2017; Rm 137
HB 110	Revise laws for filing of exempt water right claims	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 111	Revising laws related to minor in possession data	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(S) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (S) Judiciary
HB 112	Revise uniform dispute review procedures for collection of delinquent taxes	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/07/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 405
HB 115	Revise agricultural implements and machinery appraisal laws	George G Kipp (D) HD 15	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 117	Provide an appropriation for grants to local veteran suicide prevention efforts	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) HD 32	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 01/19/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 118	Revise and provide additional funding for state suicide prevention program	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) HD 32	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 01/19/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 120	Revise insurance laws pertaining to NAIC accreditation	Jacob Bachmeier (D) HD 28	(H) Sent to Enrolling
HB 121	Remove sunset on patient-centered medical homes	Amanda Curtis (D) HD 74	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 123	Require certain insurance disclosures to minimize surprise bills	Amanda Curtis (D) HD 74	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 124	Require education program for water commissioners	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) HD 42	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
HB 125	Revise workforce investment act to implement federal changes	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 129	Revising laws related to privacy in communications	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
HB 133	Generally revise sentencing laws	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/12/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 134	Revise school funding related to facilities	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 136	Actuarial funding for the Game Wardens' and Peace Officers' Retirement System	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 01/31/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 137	Generally revise securities and insurance laws pertaining to the State Auditor	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 139	Revise adult protective services	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Human Services
HB 140	Clarify water commissioner appointments	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) HD 42	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 142	Revise insurance law to give mental health coverage parity with physical health	Laurie Bishop (D) HD 60	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 144	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 146	Revising temporary roadblock laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(S) Committee Report-- Bill Concurred as Amended -- (S) Highways and Transportation
HB 147	Requiring search warrant for gov access to electronic devices	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 148	Generally revise privacy laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HB 149	Revise privacy laws regarding license plate scanners	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/20/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 154	Limit use of exploding targets on public land	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks

MACo WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 155	Eliminate election day as state holiday	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 163	Provide for a Montana caregiver act	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 165	Revise punitive damage laws	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/03/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 168	Provide for expungement of criminal records for misdemeanors	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/13/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 169	Raise minimum wage in Montana	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 170	Reducing vehicle fees for seniors	Jeremy Trebas (R) HD 25	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Transportation
HB 173	Provide deadline for treatment plans and permanency hearings	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/23/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 174	Revising vehicle requirements for the use of headlamps and tail lamps	Barry Usher (R) HD 40	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Transportation
HB 180	Restrict cell phone use in work and school zones	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 181	Establish requirements for police dogs	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 186	Revise independent candidate filing laws	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) 3rd Reading Failed*
HB 189	Eliminate certain automatic utility rate adjustments	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Hearing -- (H) Energy, Tech., & Fed. Relations 01/11/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 193	Revise utility electric cost recovery	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 03/09/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
HB 194	Prohibit local restrictions on electronic devices while driving	Jeremy Trebas (R) HD 25	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 196	Institute vehicle registration fee for volunteer EMS	Becky Beard (R) HD 80	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 198	Revise distribution of death certificate fee increase	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 202	Generally revise laws related to government employees and officers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/07/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 203	Provide supplemental funding to department of transportation	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Appropriations
HB 205	Revise tax laws related to vehicles	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 206	Revise laws regarding crimes	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 208	Provide that it is unlawful to retaliate against public whistleblowers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/10/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 209	Extend funding to Coal Board	Barry Usher (R) HD 40	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations 02/02/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 211	Require sage grouse population report	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/18/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 212	Ballot Interference Prevention Act to restrict ballot collection	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 213	Revise motor vehicle license plate laws	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 215	Revise oil and gas tax laws	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 216	Require bonding for wind development	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations 01/30/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 217	Revise replacement schedule for regular license plates	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 221	Revise laws related to public records of municipalities	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(S) Returned to House
HB 224	Extending veterans' exemption to property used or leased by organization	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation

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Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 225	Funding of maintenance for paved paths	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/26/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 226	Increase property tax abatement for new or expanding industry	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/26/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 228	Provide funding for sage grouse stewardship	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/25/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 233	Establish the Montana drug product selection act	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(S) Rereferred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
HB 236	Generally revise laws related to release of information by law enforcement	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) 2nd Reading Not Passed*
HB 238	Revise penalties for noncompliance with vehicle liability insurance laws	Fred Anderson (R) HD 20	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 239	Provide income tax benefits to employers and students for higher education costs	Bill Harris (R) HD 37	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/25/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 242	Constitutional amendment to establish natural resources trust fund	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Taxation
HB 245	Require timelines for review of a final subdivision plat	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Local Government
HB 250	Require county and school district approval for adoption of TIF provision	Bruce Grubbs (R) HD 68	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Local Government
HB 252	Clarify provider agreement laws	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 258	Require detention center to allow inmates free calls to attorney	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/08/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 261	Extending termination date for statutory appropriation to public libraries	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims
HB 268	Create offense related to assault on healthcare and emergency providers	James O'Hara (R) HD 27	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 275	Revise laws related to occupational diseases	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 276	Revise reimbursement for pharmacies	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 277	Revise speedy trial laws for felony offenses	Matt Regier (R) HD 4	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/10/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
HB 281	Locate certain utilities over water	George G Kipp (D) HD 15	(H) Bill Withdrawn per House Rule H30-50(3)(b)*
HB 282	Grant county commission authority to correct certain election results	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/14/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 286	Allow livestock loss reimbursement for mountain lion predation	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Agriculture
HB 287	Revise absentee ballot list confirmation laws	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/02/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 295	Increase fine for gating a public road	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 296	Study of Montana's hazardous materials response and preparedness	Denise Hayman (D) HD 66	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
HB 300	Exempt townhouses from certain subdivision sanitation regulations	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 313	Require one license plate on certain motor vehicles	Barry Usher (R) HD 40	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 314	Increase number of district court judges	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 322	Change name of Columbus day holiday	Bridget Smith (D) HD 31	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/08/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 325	Create exemption for raw milk producers	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Hearing -- (H) Agriculture 02/09/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 326	Require reporting of pricing factors for certain prescription drugs	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	(H) Hearing -- (H) Bus. and Labor 02/03/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
HB 327	Revise juvenile justice laws	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 02/01/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 137

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Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
HB 331	Revocation of property tax exemption for payment of excessive compensation	Matt Regier (R) HD 4	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/02/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 333	Adopt the Help Save Lives from Overdose Act	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/10/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 336	Change the opt-in for TBI to an opt-out on vehicle registration forms	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 339	Revise laws related to exempt appropriations of water	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 346	Designate fiscal agent as employer for workers" compensation insurance	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business and Labor 02/07/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
HB 354	Revise unemployment insurance retirement considerations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business and Labor 02/09/2017; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
HB 355	Revise laws related to school district transportation	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 356	Prohibit individual health insurance discrimination with some exceptions	Jean Price (D) HD 24	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/13/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 357	Generally revise laws related to strengthening voter identification	Derek Skees (R) HD 11	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/09/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 358	Revise workers" compensation laws pertaining to release of information	Mark Noland (R) HD 10	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 360	Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 363	Establish renewable energy permitting, decommissioning program	Dennis R Lenz (R) HD 53	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Energy, Tech., & Fed. Relations
HB 368	Establish setbacks for wells and lagoons	Walt Sales (R) HD 69	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 369	Establish requirements for accepting sexual/violent offenders in DD group homes	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/15/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 370	Revise laws regarding the recording of public meetings	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 371	Allow late registrant absentee ballots to be dropped off at polling locations	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/09/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 374	Revise right of way laws for county water and sewer districts	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation 12/27/2016
HJ 3	Interim study of water right change process	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
HJ 4	Interim study on the coal trust fund	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Taxation
HJ 6	Interim study on the effects of methamphetamine use on state and local services	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/25/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HR 1	House rules resolution	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
SB 3	Revise election expenditure laws relating to candidate filing fee	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/31/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 9	Provide for primary enforcement of seatbelt laws	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 10	Repeal the refundable income tax credit relief multiple	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/01/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 16	Revise fire relief association disability and pension funding requirements	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 02/01/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
SB 18	Establish wildfire fuel reduction funding process	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/11/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 20	Revise court administrator laws to eliminate IT reporting requirement	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary

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SB 21	Code commissioner bill	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 22	Revise laws re termination of parental rights when child is result of rape	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 26	Revise laws regarding sexual intercourse without consent	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 27	Amend TIF laws related to public hearings and reporting	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Taxation
SB 29	Revising laws regarding sexual crimes	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 30	Revise laws related to criminal statute of limitations	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 31	Require medicaid reimbursement for drug therapy management	Albert Olszewski (R) SD 6	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 32	Repeal community renewable energy project requirements	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(H) Hearing -- (H) Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations 01/30/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
SB 33	Clarify that highway structures not subject to building code requirements	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 34	Amend laws related to an urban renewal agency board of commissioners	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Local Government
SB 35	Revise laws concerning deposit and expenditure of highway revenue	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Highways and Transportation
SB 37	Establish coal-fired generating unit decommissioning remediation act	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/30/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 38	Establish energy accountability act	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Energy & Telecommunications
SB 39	Repeal notification of cnty commission re: organization of conservation district	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 02/07/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
SB 40	Generally revise laws related to legislative broadcasting services	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(H) Hearing – (H) Legislative Administration 02/02/2017; 4:30 PM, Rm 472
SB 41	Revise terms for livestock loss prevention grants	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(H) Committee Report--Bill Concurred -- (H) Agriculture
SB 42	Revise the major facility siting act	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Natural Resources
SB 43	Generally revise laws governing the long-range building program	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 01/31/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303
SB 45	Revise drug and mental health treatment court laws	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 47	Revise definitions of salvage water, water conservation	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 53	Repeal biodiesel production incentive	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/01/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 57	Clarify highway patrol funding sources and increase certain registration fees	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 01/12/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303
SB 58	Prohibit the use of \$0 claims for insurance policy cancellation or renewal	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 59	Generally revise criminal justice laws	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 60	Generally revise criminal justice laws	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 02/02/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303
SB 61	Require certain facilities providing behavioral health srvc to be lic by DPHHS	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 62	Certification for behavioral health peer support specialists	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/03/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152

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Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
SB 63	Revise laws related to supervision of offenders/defendants	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 64	Generally revise laws related to the board of pardons and parole	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Hearing – (S) Finance and Claims 02/06/2017; 1:30 PM, Rm 303
SB 65	Generally revise laws regarding housing options for offenders	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 66	Generally revise the crime victims compensation act	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 71	Provide for an intervention hearing for parolees	Jen Gross (D) SD 25	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 73	Revise laws related to livestock loss	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 79	Revise laws regarding rural improvement districts for road maintenance	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postpone Motion Failed
SB 81	Generally revise coroner laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 83	Volunteer Health Services Act	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
SB 85	Submitting a 6-mill levy for support of the Montana University System to voters	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 02/08/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
SB 86	Reinstate the enhanced recovery tax incentive for oil	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Committee Report— Bill Passed as Amended – (S) Energy & Telecommunications
SB 94	Provide property tax exemption for certain residential property	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/20/2017; 10:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 96	Right to shop act for health care services	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Rereferred to Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 99	Prohibit enforcement of new federal gun laws by Montana public employees	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Judiciary
SB 104	Authorizing establishment of an emergency care system	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 107	Provide liability limits for emergency care by volunteer emergency responders	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 109	Revise environmental review process to include analysis of impact beyond Montana	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/25/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 110	Allowing funds in wolf management account to be used for management activities	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31	(S) Hearing -- (S) Fish and Game 02/02/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 116	Disallowing workers' compensation benefits for certain false statements	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 118	Provide for uniform act regarding fiduciary access to digital assets	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 122	Generally revise criminal justice laws	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 123	Revise marriage license laws to allow nonresidents to get licenses in any county	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 129	Require insurance coverage of teledentistry	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SB 130	Revise tax increment finance laws	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) Taxation
SB 137	Increase taxpayer appeal options and create informal procedures	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 02/01/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 140	Allow low-interest coal tax trust fund loans to certain local governments	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed – (S) State Administration
SB 142	Revise laws related to volunteer emergency personnel and worker's comp insurance	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 151	Create local government interim committee	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/01/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 152	Revise laws relating to state employees	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335

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Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
SB 160	Require DPHHS to streamline procedures related to mental health services	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety 02/06/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 161	Revise motor vehicle registration fees for parks	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Fish and Game
SB 163	Revise election judge qualifications	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
SB 167	Generally revise laws pertaining to insurance offenses	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Business, Labor, & Econ. Affairs
SB 170	Provide civil liability for unmanned aerial vehicle trespass	Steve Hinebauch (R) SD 18	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
SB 177	Revise authority of self-governing local governments	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/09/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 178	Revise when a primary must be held for local nonpartisan offices.	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) State Administration
SB 179	Revise offer of judgment laws	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 02/08/2017; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 180	Revise laws regarding taxation of certain airlines	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Taxation
SB 181	Revise tax rates to mitigate reappraisal	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Taxation
SB 182	Require hearings for highway construction	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation 02/14/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 184	Revise workers compensation to allow termination of payments due to fraud	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs 02/10/2017; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 188	Revise authority to create special districts	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 189	Revise protest provisions for special districts	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 02/08/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 192	Generally revise civil procedure laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
SJ 1	Joint rules resolution	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
SJ 5	Interim study regarding coal phase-out	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/25/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SJ 10	Joint resolution regarding the keystone pipeline	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Hearing -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications 02/16/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SR 1	Senate rules resolution	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Filed with Secretary of State
SR 14	Confirm Governor appointees to boards related to energy	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Committee Report--Resolution Adopted -- (S) Energy and Telecommunications
SR 15	Confirm Governor appointees to Board of County Printing	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Committee Report--Resolution Adopted -- (S) Local Government

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