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SINE DIE HAS COME AND GONE . . . WHAT'S NEXT?

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The 65th Legislative Session officially came to a close on the morning of Friday, April 28th, and the final day at the Capitol came and went without [SB 367](#), Generally revise infrastructure funding laws, or [HB 8](#), Renewable resource bonds and loans, passing. Before ending their 4 months on the Hill, the House reconsidered its actions twice on these important infrastructure bills, and two times they failed. The Senate extended its morning, waiting for the House to conclude its business, as they would have had to concur (or not concur) on the House's amendments to SB 367 and hold a committee hearing for HB 8 (as this would have been its first time in the Senate). However, none of this came to be, and soon after the House motioned and passed its motion to Sine Die, the Senate did the same. Speeches were made, kind words were said, and many left with feelings of déjà vu, as pictures of past sessions flashed through our heads . . .

WHAT'S NEXT?

So what happens now? Over the next few weeks we will be putting together materials for our legislative wrap up, which will be presented during district meetings the first week of June. Please visit our website for dates, locations, agendas, and more: <http://www.mtcountries.org/events/all-maco-events>.

The Interim is going to busy, as there are several studies to be polled, and Legislative Council will be meeting soon to review the results of the poll and assign studies to the various interim and statutory committees. The polling is expected to be completed this week—every vote is important, and some of the studies will not make the cut. See the list of studies below; MACo will be participating in the approved studies.

We extend our gratitude to all county officials as well as legislative staff, Representatives, and Senators for your assistance and diligent work during the last 88 days. See you in the Interim!

INTERIM STUDY RESOLUTIONS

Res. No.	Short Title
HJ 1	Study Funding for Education Program for Special Needs
HJ 6	Study of Effects of Methamphetamine
HJ 17	Interim Study of Prescription Drug Costs
HJ 18	Interim Study on Tax Increment Financing
HJ 20	Interim Study of Transparency in Health Care Pricing
HJ 22	Interim Study on Agricultural Property Valuation
HJ 24	Interim Study on Funding and Services for Developmentally Disabled Adults
HJ 25	Interim Study of Municipal Fire Protection
HJ 28	Interim Study of Natural Gas Deregulation
SJ 2	Study of Renewable Energy Credits
SJ 3	Interim Study of Tribal Resources for MBRS Involved in Criminal Justice System
SJ 5	Interim Study Regarding Coal Phase-Out
SJ 9	Interim Study Regarding Chronic Wasting Disease and Ungulate Populations
SJ 20	Interim Study of Intractable Unemployment in High-Poverty Counties
SJ 21	Interim Study of EMS and Volunteer Firefighters
SJ 23	Study of Property Taxation of Utility Property
SJ 25	Interim Study of Use of Solitary Confinement
SJ 27	Interim Study of Montana's Workers' Compensation Insurance
SJ 31	Interim Study of Utility Decoupling
SJ 32	Study emergency care provider training and scope of practice

INTERIM STUDY BILLS

NOTE: A study assigned by bill takes priority over a study requested by resolution—these are not polled.

Bill No.	Short Title
SB 151	Create Local Government Interim Committee
HB 661	Study MSU Laboratories -- LFD

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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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: STILL PROCESSING				
Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Current Status
HB 373	Revise county property disposal	2016-21	Bruce Grubbs (R) HD 68	(H) Transmitted to Governor (04/28/2017)
	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.			
HB 383	Provide actuarial required funding for Sheriffs' Retirement System	2016-17	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Transmitted to Governor (05/01/2017)
	AN ACT INCREASING FUNDING FOR THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM SO IT WILL BE ACTUARIALLY SOUND; INCREASING EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES; TERMINATING THE CONTRIBUTION INCREASES WHEN CERTAIN ACTUARIAL CONDITIONS ARE MET; EXEMPTING THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION INCREASE FROM THE COUNTY MILL LEVY CAP; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-10-420, 19-7-403, AND 19-7-404, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.			
HB 405	Generally revise laws applicable to county government	2016-07	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Transmitted to Governor (05/01/2017)
	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, 7-13-2233, 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.			
HB 416	Generally revise local government laws (Review Standard for MT Subdiv. & Platting Act)	2016-14	Ed Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Transmitted to Governor (05/01/2017)
	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; CLARIFYING WHAT STANDARDS OF REVIEW APPLY TO AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-603, 76-3-608, AND 76-3-625, MCA.			
HB 445	Generally revise local government laws (Authorization for Phasing in MT SPA)	2016-02	Ed Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Transmitted to Governor (05/01/2017)
	AN ACT REVISING LOCAL SUBDIVISION REVIEW LAWS; PROVIDING FOR PHASED DEVELOPMENT FOR WHICH A SUBDIVIDER MAY APPLY TO A LOCAL GOVERNING BODY; REQUIRING THAT A PHASED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION INCLUDE INFORMATION ON ALL PROPOSED PHASES AND A SCHEDULE FOR REVIEW OF EACH PHASE; REQUIRING THAT ALL PHASES OF A PHASED DEVELOPMENT BE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AND ACTED ON WITHIN A CERTAIN TIME; REQUIRING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR REVIEW OF EACH PHASE AND REQUIRING A GOVERNING BODY TO CONSIDER CHANGED PRIMARY CRITERIA IMPACTS OR NEW INFORMATION WHEN REVIEWING EACH PHASE; ALLOWING A GOVERNING BODY TO IMPOSE NECESSARY, ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS ON APPROVAL OF EACH PHASE; ALLOWING A GOVERNING BODY TO CHARGE A FEE FOR REVIEW OF PHASES IN A PHASED DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 76-3-102, 76-3-103, AND 76-8-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.			
SB 274	Revise and clarify special purpose district election laws	2016-03	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(H) Transmitted to Governor (05/01/2017)
	AN ACT REVISING SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION LAWS; ALLOWING THE REFERENDUM ON THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL DISTRICT AND THE ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF A PROPOSED SPECIAL DISTRICT TO BE COMBINED; PROVIDING DEFAULT TERMS OF OFFICE FOR BOARD MEMBERS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-201 AND 7-11-1021, MCA.			

COMPLETED MACo BILLS & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 101	Generally revise MPERA public employee retirement systems (MPERA's Bill - Addresses Our Independent Contractor Resolution)	2016-RET	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19	Effective July 1, 2017
	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; REVISING THE AGE LIMIT FOR CERTAIN DISABILITY PAYMENTS; 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, 19-3-403, 19-3-413, 19-3-1105, 19-3-1106, 19-3-2141, 19-5-502, 19-6-101, 19-6-1005, 19-7-101, 19-7-1101, 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.			
HB 152	Authorize counties to establish junk vehicle capital improvement funds	2016-09	Tom Welch (R) HD 72	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 23, 2017
	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	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 20, 2017
	AN ACT EXTENDING THE STATUTORY APPROPRIATION FOR THE COUNTY PAYMENT FROM THE HARD-ROCK MINING IMPACT TRUST FUND; AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 442, LAWS OF 2009; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.			
HB 305	Allow counties to set bounties on predators	2016-01	Bill Harris (R) HD 37	Effective October 1, 2017
	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 447	Authorize cancellation of local uncontested general elections by municipalities	2016-20	Ross Fitzgerald (R) HD 17	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 7, 2017
	AN ACT ALLOWING THE CANCELLATION OF UNCONTESTED MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTIONS FOR CITY OFFICERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-4101, 7-4-4102, AND 7-4-4103, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.			

MACo RESOLUTIONS/LEGISLATION THAT DIED DURING THE ENTIRE SESSION (THIS LIST INCLUDES BILLS THAT DIED EARLIER IN THE SESSION AS WELL AS RECENTLY)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Final Status
HB 293	Revise requirements related to release of patient immunization information	2016-08	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	Missed General Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in House Human Services Committee
	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	Missed General Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in House Appropriations Committee
	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/LEGISLATION THAT DIED DURING THE ENTIRE SESSION (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Final Status
HB 317	Allow for a public hearing for first minor subdivision	2016-11	Walt Sales (R) HD 69	Missed General Bill Transmittal Deadline: 2 nd Reading Did Not Pass
	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	Missed General Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in House Local Gov. Committee
	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 410	Increase funding for noxious weed trust fund	2016-12	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	Missed Revenue Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in House Appropriations Committee
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING CERTAIN VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES TO INCREASE FUNDS FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL; CLARIFYING A DEFINITION; <u>CLARIFYING THE USE AND ADMINISTRATION OF FUNDS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-22-2101, 15-1-122, AND 61-3-321, AND 80-7-814, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.</u> "			
HB 459	Revise local government authority of certain speed limits	2016-16	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	Draft Died in Process (04/28/2017): Committee Vote Failed in (S) Highways & Transportation; Remained in Committee as of 04/04/2017
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING HOW A LOCAL AUTHORITY AND A COUNTY COMMISSION MAY SET A SPEED LIMIT; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-310, MCA."			
HB 615	Revise tax laws for property within Indian reservation boundaries	2016-19	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	Missed Revenue Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in House Taxation Committee
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE STATE TO REIMBURSE TAXING JURISDICTIONS FOR TAXES THAT WOULD BE ASSESSED ON PROPERTY HELD IN TRUST FOR A MONTANA INDIAN TRIBE OR EXEMPT BECAUSE OF OWNERSHIP BY AN INDIAN TRIBE; SPECIFYING PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE REIMBURSEMENT IS REQUIRED; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."			
SB 194	Revise state secondary highway system funding laws	2016-06	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	Missed General Bill Transmittal Deadline: Bill was Tabled in Senate Highways & Transportation Committee
	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."			
SB 305	Special elections to fill U.S. senate or representative vacancy to be by mail	2016-10	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	Died in Standing Committee (04/28/2017): Tabled in (H) Judiciary Committee as of 03/29/2017
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY PROVIDING HOW THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE 2017 VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE FOR MONTANA MAY BE CONDUCTED; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS: STILL PROCESSING

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Current Status
HB 11	Treasure state endowment program	Jim Keane (D) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS 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 ON GRANTS AND FUNDS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS; 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.		
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) Signed by Speaker
	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; LIMITING PROVIDERS' LIABILITY; 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 AWARDING 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, 10-4-204, 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 83	Generally revise election laws	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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 VOTER QUALIFICATIONS FOR WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT ELECTIONS; REVISING CERTAIN ELECTION PROVISIONS RELATED TO IRRIGATION DISTRICTS; CLARIFYING THE TRANSITION OF TERMS OF OFFICE FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT OFFICERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-3-103, 7-3-149, 7-5-132, 7-6-1504, 7-13-2212, 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, 20-20-204, AND 85-7-1702, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE.		
HB 94	Generally revise public safety officer standards/training council laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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, 46-23-1005, AND 46-23-1012, MCA.		
HB 126	Generally revise the Montana pesticides act	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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; 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, 80-8-203, 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 SECTION 80-8-214, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS: STILL PROCESSING (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Current Status
HB 365	Revise underground utility laws	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	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.		
HB 434	Create Montana wildlife habitat improvement act	Kelly Flynn (R) HD 70	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT CREATING THE MONTANA WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT ACT; ALLOWING THE USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO COMBAT NOXIOUS WEEDS AND RESTORE WILDLIFE HABITAT; ESTABLISHING A WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE.		
HB 473	Revise highway revenue laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING HIGHWAY FUNDING LAWS; REVISING LAWS CONCERNING THE DEPOSIT AND EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY REVENUE; ESTABLISHING A HIGHWAY RESTRICTED ACCOUNT AND A BRIDGE AND ROAD SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY RESTRICTED ACCOUNT; INCREASING THE FUEL TAX AND SPECIAL FUEL TAX; PROVIDING THAT THE NEW REVENUE MUST FUND HIGHWAY PROJECTS AND LOCAL ROAD PROJECTS; PROVIDING FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ROAD MATCH PROGRAM; REQUIRING A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PUBLISH A WEBSITE SHOWING PROJECTS FUNDED WITH THE INCREASED REVENUE; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION AND AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-70-101, 15-70-102, 15-70-403, 15-70-404, 15-70-419, 15-70-456, 17-5-903, 17-7-502, 44-1-501, 60-3-201, 60-5-110, 61-3-738, 61-8-204, 61-8-907, 61-10-126, 61-10-225, 61-10-226, AND 75-11-301, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 60-3-202, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
HB 565	Revise entitlement share laws	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING THE ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT LAWS; REVISING ENTITLEMENT SHARE GROWTH RATES FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018 AND 2019; REVISING THE GROWTH RATE FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR CLASS EIGHT TAX RATE REDUCTIONS AND EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING REASONS FOR WHICH AN ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENT MUST BE WITHHELD; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-121, 15-1-123, AND 20-9-630, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.		
HB 600	Generally revise victims' rights laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO VICTIMS' RIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF VICTIMS' RIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR A VICTIM'S RIGHTS CARD; PROVIDING FOR RULEMAKING AUTHORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR RULES RELATED TO VICTIMS' RIGHTS; AMENDING SECTION 53-1-203, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.		
HB 604	Generally revise public safety communication laws	Bill Harris (R) HD 37	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS LAWS; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ACT; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; ESTABLISHING PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE SYSTEM AND ADMINISTRATION BY THE DEPARTMENT; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ADVISORY COUNCIL; ALLOWING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL; ADMINISTRATIVELY ATTACHING THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND SUBCOMMITTEES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL; ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT, MAINTAIN, AND SUSTAIN A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM; ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH RATES OR CHARGES FOR STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM SERVICES; ALLOWING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES RELATED TO A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM; REQUIRING REPORTING TO THE LAW AND JUSTICE INTERIM COMMITTEE AND LEGISLATURE; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ACCOUNT; PROVIDING A FIRSTNET EXEMPTION; GRANTING THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS: STILL PROCESSING (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Current Status
HB 642	Implement the provisions of the general appropriations bill Sec. A	Brad Tschida (R) HD 97	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS AND OTHER NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO REPORT ON FEES COLLECTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE CONSUMER COMMITTEE; AMENDING SECTION 69-1-224, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
HB 647	Generally revise education funding, implement general appropriations bill	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING EDUCATION FUNDING LAWS; IMPLEMENTING PORTIONS OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT; ELIMINATING THE NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT K-12 FUNDING PAYMENT AND SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL FUND BLOCK GRANTS; INCREASING THE GUARANTEED TAX BASE MULTIPLIER; ELIMINATING THE STATUTORY APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATE SCHOOL OIL AND NATURAL GAS IMPACT ACCOUNT AND THE STATE SCHOOL OIL AND NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT; REDIRECTING ANY EXCESS INTEREST AND INCOME REVENUE FROM SCHOOL TRUST LANDS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES; ELIMINATING INFLATIONARY INCREASES FOR COUNTY SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANTS; REVISING TERMINATION DATES OF CERTAIN 2015 AMENDMENTS; EXPANDING USE OF FUNDING FOR SECONDARY K-12 CAREER AND VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL EDUCATION; REVISING EXCESS OIL AND NATURAL GAS REVENUE DISTRIBUTION; REVISING STATE SHARE CALCULATIONS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS; CREATING A NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT K-12 SCHOOL FACILITIES PAYMENT; CREATING A COAL-FIRED GENERATING UNIT CLOSURE MITIGATION BLOCK GRANT; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 20-7-102, 20-7-306, 20-9-141, 20-9-306, 20-9-310, 20-9-342, 20-9-344, 20-9-366, 20-9-517, 20-9-518, 20-9-520, 20-9-622, 20-9-630, 20-9-632, AND 20-15-310, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 7, CHAPTER 433, LAWS OF 2015; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.		
HB 648	Authorize transfers and clarify natural resources funding (Sec. C)	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS AND OTHER NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT; CLARIFYING ALLOCATIONS OF THE COAL SEVERANCE TAX; ESTABLISHING AN ENTERPRISE FUND FOR DEPOSIT OF FEES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK; CLARIFYING FUNDING SOURCES FOR LIEN PURCHASES; DIRECTING COAL SEVERANCE TAX TO THE GENERAL FUND FOR STATUTORY APPROPRIATION TO THE PENSION SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; CREATING STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS; TEMPORARILY EXPANDING USAGE OF STATE PARK FUNDS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-35-108, 17-7-502, 61-3-321, 75-10-743, 81-2-102, 85-1-615, AND 90-6-1001, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 3, CHAPTER 115, LAWS OF 2017; AMENDING SECTION 11, CHAPTER 400, LAWS OF 2015; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A TERMINATION DATE.		
HB 650	Implement the provisions of the general appropriations bill Section D	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS AND FEES AND OTHER NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES AND CORRECTIONS; CREATING AND INCREASING FEE PAYMENTS RELATED TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION; CREATING STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS AND ALLOCATING PAYMENTS OF FEES TO THE ACCOUNTS; REPEALING THE BOOT CAMP INCARCERATION PROGRAM; SETTING A MAXIMUM PAYMENT TO REGIONAL CORRECTIONS FACILITIES FOR THE BIENNIUM BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017; INCREASING FEE PAYMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY REGISTRATION PERMITS; EXPANDING THE USE OF THE VEHICLE INSURANCE VERIFICATION AND LICENSE PLATE OPERATING ACCOUNT; REQUIRING THE JUDICIAL BRANCH AND THE OFFICE OF STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER TO DEVELOP PROTOCOLS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL IN TREATMENT COURTS; TRANSFERRING THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL AND ITS FUNCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE BOARD AND ELIMINATING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION OF THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-15-2006, 3-1-318, 15-70-403, 44-1-501, 44-4-313, 46-18-201, 53-1-202, 53-30-134, 53-30-507, 60-3-201, 61-3-118, 61-3-224, 61-3-321, AND 61-6-158, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 53-30-401, 53-30-402, AND 53-30-403, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES.		
SB 15	Revise collection of payment for historic rights of way	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Signed by President
	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 46	Revise laws on forest reserve money kept in state treasury	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Transmitted to Governor
	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.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS: STILL PROCESSING (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Current Status
SB 95	Authorize necessary measures to implement House Bill 2	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	AN ACT AUTHORIZING NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT; ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY STATE LANDS REIMBURSEMENT BLOCK GRANT; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE INTENT; CREATING A BUREAU OF CRIME CONTROL; PROVIDING TRANSITION INSTRUCTIONS; REQUIRING REPORTING ON THE TRANSITION OF ALLOCATING THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES AND A TERMINATION DATE.		
SB 126	Revise laws related to property valuation appeal process	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Transmitted to Governor
	AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO APPEALS OF PROPERTY VALUATION FOR TAX PURPOSES; ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE TAXPAYER TO PROVIDE INDEPENDENT APPRAISALS TO THE STATE TAX APPEAL BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 15-2-301, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE.		
SB 127	Revise public officer vacancy laws	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	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, AND 5-2-402, MCA.		
SB 155	Prohibit local government regulation of agricultural seeds	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Returned from Enrolling
	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.		

COMPLETED MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 18	Revise tax lien and tax deed laws (Tax Lien Wrk Grp Bill)	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 2, 2017
	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 73	Regulate certain air ambulance memberships as insurance	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 20, 2017
	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 237	Create grant program for behavioral health crisis response by law enforcement	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	Effective October 1, 2017
	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.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS: COMPLETED & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 316	Repeal state land equalization reporting laws	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	Effective October 1, 2017
	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	Effective July 1, 2017
	AN ACT REVISING MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS INTERVENTION AND JAIL DIVERSION GRANT PROCEDURES; ESTABLISHING PRIORITY FOR AWARDED OF GRANT FUNDS; ALLOWING TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS TO APPLY FOR GRANTS; ALLOWING FOR BIENNIAL GRANTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 53-21-1202, 53-21-1203, AND 53-21-1204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
HB 422	Generally revising laws related to local governments	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	Effective July 1, 2017
	AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT; WITHHOLDING CERTAIN PAYMENTS TO A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO REVIEW COMPLAINTS CONCERNING THE ALLEGED OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PUBLIC OFFICERS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-7-517, 15-1-121, 15-36-331, 15-36-332, 15-37-117, 15-39-110, AND 20-9-310, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.		
SB 2	Clarify county commission quorum requirements	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 27, 2017
	AN ACT CLARIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING THAT THE PRESENCE OF A QUORUM OF MEMBERS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A MEETING IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 7-5-2122, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.		
SB 44	Provide process to hold patients harmless from balance billing by air ambulance	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 25, 2017
	AN ACT ESTABLISHING HOLD HARMLESS REQUIREMENTS FOR PATIENTS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESSES FOR AIR AMBULANCE PROVIDERS AND INSURERS; PROVIDING DISCLOSURES BY AIR AMBULANCE SERVICES; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 20-25-1403, 33-30-102, 33-31-111, AND 33-35-306, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH RESOLUTIONS FILED WITH SOS

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
SR 39	Confirm Governor's appointees to Transportation Commission	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34
	A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCURRING IN, CONFIRMING, AND CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND SUBMITTED BY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION DATED FEBRUARY 10, 2017, TO THE SENATE.	
SR 55	Confirm Governor's appointees to Commission for Human Rights	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11
	A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCURRING IN, CONFIRMING, AND CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND SUBMITTED BY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION DATED MARCH 17, 2017, TO THE SENATE.	

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR

(THIS LIST DOES NOT INCLUDE BILLS THAT DIED EARLIER IN THE SESSION DUE TO TRANSMITTAL DEADLINES)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Final Status
HB 257	Consider housing needs in Montana State Hospital discharge plans	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
	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."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Final Status
HB 645	Provide funding for capital and infrastructure projects statewide	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) 3rd Reading Failed
	<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR <u>CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS STATEWIDE</u>; CREATING STATE AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNTS; PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PROJECTS LISTED IN HOUSE BILLS 6, 7, AND 11; <u>APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE VETERANS' HOME IN SOUTHWESTERN MONTANA</u>; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS TO STATE AND LOCAL ENTITIES FOR PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS; AUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS AMOUNTS; ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF STATE DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; <u>AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 324, LAWS OF 2011</u>; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>		
HJ 38	Interim study on reimbursement for taxes that would be paid on tribal trust land	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) 3rd Reading Failed
	<p>A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF THE EFFECT ON COUNTY FINANCES OF PLACING LAND IN TRUST FOR MONTANA INDIAN TRIBES OR TRIBAL MEMBERS.</p>		
SB 69	Create task force to study public employee health benefits	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, & Econ. Affairs
	<p>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."</p>		
SB 72	Create presumptive illness for firefighters	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
	<p>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; <u>PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS</u>; AMENDING SECTION 50-3-109, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE <u>EFFECTIVE DATES</u>."</p>		
SB 367	Generally revise infrastructure funding laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(H) 3rd Reading Failed
	<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS STATEWIDE; CREATING THE STATE TO COMMUNITY BOND ACCOUNT FOR GRANTS AND STATE AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNTS; PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PROJECTS LISTED IN HOUSE BILLS 6, 7, AND 11; AUTHORIZING CAPITAL PROJECTS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE VETERANS' HOME IN SOUTHWESTERN MONTANA; AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO STATE AND LOCAL ENTITIES FOR PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS; PRIORITIZING PROJECT GRANTS AND ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS; REQUIRING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR PROJECTS BASED ON A FORMULA; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE AUTHORIZATIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF STATE DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; REDUCING BOND AUTHORIZATION BASED ON ACTUAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES; CREATING A GRANT APPLICATION FEE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS; <u>PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS</u>; AMENDING SECTION 5, CHAPTER 324, LAWS OF 2011; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."</p>		

MACo WATCH LIST BILLS: STILL PROCESSING

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Current Status
HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 17	Increase HCBS waiver slots and assisted living reimbursement rates	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 44	Generally revise laws related to district court judge numbers	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 77	Revise public defender system and provide for a director hired by DOA	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 99	Limit adverse effects analysis	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 103	Generally revise election laws - administrative cleanup	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 110	Revise laws for filing of exempt water right claims	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 118	Revise and provide additional funding for suicide prevention activities	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) HD 32	(H) Returned from Enrolling
HB 133	Generally revise sentencing laws	Nate McConnell (D) HD 89	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 142	Revise insurance law to give mental health coverage parity with physical health	Laurie Bishop (D) HD 60	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 144	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 148	Generally revise privacy laws related to electronic communications	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 193	Revise utility electric cost recovery	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 198	Revise distribution of death certificate fee increase	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 205	Revise tax laws related to vehicles	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 209	Extend funding to Coal Board	Barry Usher (R) HD 40	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 216	Require bonding for wind development	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 217	Revise replacement schedule for regular license plates	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 224	Extending veterans' exemption to property used or leased by organization	Tom Jacobson (D) HD 21	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 225	Funding of maintenance for paved paths	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 226	Allow increase property tax abatement for new or expanding industry	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 228	Provide funding for sage grouse stewardship	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 245	Require timelines for review of a final subdivision plat	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 261	Extending termination date for statutory appropriation to public libraries	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 287	Revise absentee ballot list confirmation laws	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 333	Adopt the Help Save Lives from Overdose Act	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 339	Revise laws related to exempt appropriations of water	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 358	Revise workers' compensation laws pertaining to release of information	Mark Noland (R) HD 10	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 360	Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 368	Establish setbacks for wells and lagoons	Walt Sales (R) HD 69	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 387	Authorize establishment of a 12-bed intensive behavioral center	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 390	Generally revise school funding laws	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 407	Revise sanitation in subdivisions rule requirements	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 429	Water permit exemption for fire department operations	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 449	Revise the definition of wages in workers' compensation insurance.	Wylie Galt (R) HD 30	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 458	Oversight of care for current and former MDC patients	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 507	Generally revise laws relating to review of sanitation in subdivisions	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 510	Revise exemptions from sanitation in subdivisions review	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 516	Allow for civil action to collect certain delinquent property taxes	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 562	Exempt certain cell phone use from local ordinances	Casey Knudsen (R) HD 33	(H) Transmitted to Governor

MACo WATCH LIST BILLS: STILL PROCESSING (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Current Status
HB 583	Revise property taxes for forest land with residential or commercial use	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 585	Provide for loans to an owner of a coal-fired generating unit	Austin Knudsen (R) HD 34	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 589	Require DPHHS to monitor factors related to children's mental health outcomes	Dennis R Lenz (R) HD 53	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 614	Exempting pulse processing equipment from property taxation	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 618	Increase nursing home bed tax for nursing home rate increases	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 622	Generally revise laws related to invasive species	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 639	Revising funding for health care services	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Signed by Speaker
HB 644	Prohibit interference with aerial wildfire suppression	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Transmitted to Governor
HB 652	Provide for health care and insurance coverage laws	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(H) Transmitted to Governor
SB 21	Code commissioner bill	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 22	Revise laws re termination of parental rights when child is result of rape	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	(S) Signed by President
SB 26	Revise laws regarding sexual intercourse without consent	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 27	Amend TIF laws related to public hearings and reporting	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 29	Revising laws regarding sexual crimes	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 30	Revise laws related to criminal statute of limitations	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Signed by President
SB 42	Revise the major facility siting act	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 43	Generally revise laws governing the long-range building program	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 45	Revise drug and mental health treatment court laws	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 57	Clarify highway patrol funding sources and increase certain registration fees	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Signed by President
SB 59	Generally revise criminal justice laws	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 63	Revise laws related to supervision of offenders/defendants	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 64	Generally revise laws related to the board of pardons and parole	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 73	Revise laws related to livestock loss	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 94	Provide property tax exemption for certain residential property	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 99	Prohibit enforcement of new federal gun laws by Montana public employees	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Signed by President
SB 116	Disallowing workers' compensation benefits for certain false statements	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 118	Provide for uniform act regarding fiduciary access to digital assets	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 123	Revise marriage license laws to allow nonresidents to get licenses in any county	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 127	Revise public officer vacancy laws	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 140	Allow low-interest coal tax trust fund loans to certain local governments	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Signed by President
SB 160	Require DPHHS to streamline procedures related to mental health services	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Signed by President
SB 163	Revise election judge qualifications	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 167	Generally revise laws pertaining to insurance offenses	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 177	Revise authority of self-governing local governments	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 184	Revise workers compensation to allow termination of payments due to fraud	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 189	Revise protest provisions for special districts	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 196	Revise transportation laws related to traffic violations in work zones	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 200	Revise laws related to disposition of certain property held by law enforcement	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 227	Revise state school transportation reimbursement laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Transmitted to Governor

MACo WATCH LIST BILLS: STILL PROCESSING (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Current Status
SB 241	Generally revise commercial drivers license laws	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 248	Revise laws regarding exempt wells and family transfer parcels	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 250	Revise laws for prosecutorial immunity for Marsy's law	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 258	Provide a procedure for electronically issued search warrants	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 261	Generally revise state fiscal laws	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 272	Revising laws related to assisted care facility licensing and mental health	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 278	Revising local government selection procedures for professional services	Steve Hinebauch (R) SD 18	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 284	Generally revise laws related to sage grouse	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 291	Revise lien filings for certain ambulance bills	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 292	Revise credit reporting laws for air ambulance debt from balance billing	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 299	Generally revise hydraulic fracturing disclosure	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 310	Revise laws related to criminal jurisdiction on the Flathead Indian Reservation	Lea Whitford (D) SD 8	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 317	Revise interest assessment on taxes other than individual income taxes	Daniel R Salomon (R) SD 47	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 324	Revise property tax exemption laws	Russel (Russ) Tempel (R) SD 14	(S) Signed by President
SB 333	Generally revise medical marijuana laws	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 336	Revise temporary registration permits	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34	(S) Signed by President
SB 337	Eliminate board of environmental review	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 339	Establishing the coal-fired generating unit remediation act	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 340	Authorize choice for out-of-state health care insurance	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 345	Provide for high deductible health insurance thru reimbursements and tax credits	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(S) Transmitted to Governor
SB 359	Providing for property tax incentives for qualified data centers	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 362	Requiring transparency in health care pricing	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(S) Signed by President
SB 363	Generally revise aquatic invasive species	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 366	Generally revise driver's license and state identification laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SB 372	Revise local government audit, financial reports	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(S) Signed by President
SJ 5	Interim study regarding coal phase-out	Mike Phillips (D) SD 31	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 21	Interim study of EMS and volunteer firefighters	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 23	Interim study on property taxation of utility property	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 25	Interim study of use of solitary confinement	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 27	Study Montana's workers' compensation insurance	Gordon Vance (R) SD 34	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 28	Resolution recognizing the USS Billings	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Returned from Enrolling
SJ 29	Resolution recognizing the USS Montana and commending work in its support	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Returned from Enrolling

COMPLETED MACo WATCH LIST BILLS & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 3	Revising expenditures and providing supplemental appropriations	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 30, 2017
HB 22	Appropriate money to assist/intervene/plan for closure of coal-fired generation	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 14, 2017
HB 24	Providing protections to vulnerable persons from financial exploitation	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 22, 2017
HB 30	Remove voted levies approved after creation of TIF from tax increment provision	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 6, 2017
HB 38	Revise allowable harvest volume for certain state land timber harvest	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 30, 2017
HB 41	Revise laws related to oversized loads to comply with federal law	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 2, 2017
HB 43	Authorize informal review deadline for second year property reappraisal cycle	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: February 17, 2017
HB 48	Clarify definition of water right change	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 49	Clarify process for updating water right transfers	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 53	Repeal assessment computation statute for conservation districts	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 2, 2017
HB 59	Revise appointment of public defender for putative father in neglect cases	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 1, 2017
HB 62	Dept. of Revenue to collect fees for public defender services	Randy Brodehl (R) HD 9	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 63	Require withholding annual returns, W2s, and 1099s to be filed earlier	Jim Hamilton (D) HD 61	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: February 17, 2017
HB 65	Revise budget consultation between public defender offices	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 67	Generally revise Teachers' Retirement System	Marilyn Ryan (D) HD 99	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 68	Revise university system retirement plan participation requirements	Marilyn Ryan (D) HD 99	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: February 22, 2017
HB 74	Revise property reappraisal laws	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 76	Amend laws related to remittance of tax increment	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 81	Revise publication and distribution requirements for MAR and ARM	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 20, 2017
HB 89	Establish holistic defense pilot project within state public defender system	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 91	Revise food safety laws	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 92	Allow for alternative contracting process for the department of transportation	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 95	Increasing access to behavioral health care	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 102	Extend bond validating act	Jessica Karjala (D) HD 48	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 27, 2017
HB 111	Revising laws related to minor in possession data	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 112	Revise uniform dispute review procedures for collection of delinquent taxes	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 27, 2017
HB 115	Revise agricultural implements and machinery appraisal laws	George G Kipp (D) HD 15	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 2, 2017
HB 120	Revise insurance laws pertaining to NAIC accreditation	Jacob Bachmeier (D) HD 28	Sects. 1-9 Effective Jan. 1, 2018 Sects. 10-24 Effective Oct. 1, 2017
HB 124	Require education program for water commissioners	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) HD 42	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 125	Revise workforce investment act to implement federal changes	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: February 20, 2017
HB 137	Generally revise securities and insurance laws pertaining to the State Auditor	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	Sects. 6, 7, 26, 55 Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 4, 2017 Sects. 1-5, 8-25, 27-54, 56-58 Effective October 1, 2017

COMPLETED MACo WATCH LIST BILLS & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 140	Clarify water commissioner appointments	Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) HD 42	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 146	Revising temporary roadblock laws	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 147	Requiring search warrant for gov access to electronic devices	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 149	Revise privacy laws regarding license plate readers	Daniel Zolnikov (R) HD 45	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 163	Provide for a Montana caregiver act	Geraldine Custer (R) HD 39	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 168	Provide for expungement of criminal records for misdemeanors	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 173	Provide deadline for treatment plans and permanency hearings	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 208	Provide that it is unlawful to retaliate against public whistleblowers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 211	Require sage grouse population report	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 213	Revise motor vehicle license plate laws	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 221	Revise laws related to public records of municipalities	Donald W Jones (R) HD 46	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 233	Establish the Montana drug product selection act	Ron Ehli (R) HD 86	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 258	Require detention center to allow inmates free calls to attorney	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 276	Revise reimbursement for pharmacies	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	Effective January 1, 2018
HB 282	Grant county commission authority to correct certain election results	Mike Cuffe (R) HD 2	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 3, 2017
HB 286	Allow livestock loss reimbursement for mountain lion predation	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 298	Emphasize sexual abuse awareness and prevention in elementary schools	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 20, 2017
HB 300	Exempt townhouses from certain subdivision sanitation regulations	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 316	Repeal state land equalization reporting laws	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 346	Designate fiscal agent as employer for workers' compensation insurance	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 355	Revise laws related to school district transportation	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	Effective July 1, 2017
HB 370	Revise laws regarding the recording of public meetings	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 374	Revise right of way laws for county water and sewer districts	Kerry White (R) HD 64	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 388	Revising voter qualification and designation in irrigation district elections	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 3, 2017
HB 396	Revise laws related to tax increment financing	Bruce Grubbs (R) HD 68	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 4, 2017
HB 427	Clarify property owner not liable for firefighter acts	Austin Knudsen (R) HD 34	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 456	Clarify time lines for subdivision review	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 20, 2017
HB 469	Revise laws related to choice of practitioners	Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R) HD 22	Effective January 1, 2019
HB 471	Exceed speed limit when in passing zone	Kelly Flynn (R) HD 70	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 492	Revise fire service area consolidation	Denise Hayman (D) HD 66	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 495	Revise laws concerning the discharge of patients from mental health facilities	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	Effective October 1, 2017
HB 509	Establishing David L. Briese Jr memorial highway	Jimmy Patelis (R) HD 52	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 30, 2017
HB 520	Revise procurement laws for fire districts and service areas	Ross H Fitzgerald (R) HD 17	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 3, 2017

COMPLETED MACO WATCH LIST BILLS & THEIR EFFECTIVE DATES (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Effective Date
HB 523	Revise archaeological survey requirements	Casey Knudsen (R) HD 33	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 3	Revise election expenditure laws relating to candidate filing fee	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 5	Revise INTERCAP loan program	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: February 8, 2017
SB 10	Repeal the refundable income tax credit relief multiple	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 16	Revise fire relief association disability and pension funding requirements	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 1, 2017
SB 20	Revise court administrator laws to eliminate IT reporting requirement	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 33	Clarify that highway structures not subject to building code requirements	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 39	Repeal notification of cnty commission re: organization of conservation district	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 1, 2017
SB 40	Generally revise laws related to legislative broadcasting services	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 11, 2017
SB 41	Revise terms for livestock loss prevention grants	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 53	Repeal biodiesel production incentive	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	Effective July 1, 2017
SB 58	Prohibit the use of \$0 claims for insurance policy cancellation or renewal	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 60	Generally revise criminal justice laws	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 62	Certification for behavioral health peer support specialists	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 65	Generally revise laws regarding housing options for offenders	Cynthia Wolken (D) SD 48	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 77	Revise title insurance requirements in tax deed laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 79	Revise laws regarding rural improvement districts for road maintenance	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 81	Generally revise coroner laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 85	Submitting a 6-mill levy for support of the Montana University System to voters	Mary Moe (D) SD 12	Effective January 1, 2019
SB 86	Reinstate the enhanced recovery tax incentive for oil	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: March 23, 2017
SB 107	Provide liability limits for emergency care by volunteer emergency responders	Douglas (Doug) Kary (R) SD 22	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 129	Require insurance coverage of teledentistry	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	Effective January 1, 2018
SB 137	Increase taxpayer appeal options and create informal procedures	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 142	Revise laws related to volunteer emergency personnel and worker's comp insurance	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 151	Create local government interim committee	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 7, 2017
SB 152	Revise laws relating to state employees	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	Sects. 4 & 6 Effective April 10, 2017 Sects. 1-5 & 7 Effective July 1, 2017
SB 178	Revise when a primary must be held for county nonpartisan offices.	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	Effective October 1, 2017
SB 180	Revise laws regarding taxation of certain airlines	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 13, 2017
SB 182	Require MDT to inform the public regarding certain highway construction	Mike Lang (R) SD 17	Effective July 1, 2017
SB 219	Revise laws related to exemptions for certain divisions of lands	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 7, 2017
SB 224	State cabin site exemption for replacement water or sewer systems	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	Effective Upon Passage & Approval: April 11, 2017
SB 281	Revise use of fire suppression account funds	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	Effective October 1, 2017

MACo WATCH LIST RESOLUTIONS, STUDIES & REFERENDUMS FILED WITH SOS

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor
HJ 6	Interim study on the effects of methamphetamine use on state and local services	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90
HJ 9	Resolution supporting the release of certain wilderness study areas	Kerry White (R) HD 64
HJ 15	Resolution urging the delisting of grizzly bears	Steve Gunderson (R) HD 1
HJ 17	Interim study of prescription drug costs and pricing	Jonathan Windy Boy (D) HD 32
HJ 18	Legislative interim study on tax increment financing	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96
HJ 20	Interim study of transparency in health care pricing	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47
HJ 22	Interim study on agricultural property valuation	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
HJ 25	Interim study of municipal fire protection	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96
HR 1	House rules resolution	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54
SB 352	Referendum on prohibition of ballot collection by certain individuals	Albert Olszewski (R) SD 6
SJ 1	Joint rules resolution	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
SJ 10	Joint resolution regarding the keystone pipeline	Mike Lang (R) SD 17
SJ 13	Joint resolution urging Congress to address air ambulance balance billing issues	Tom Facey (D) SD 50
SR 1	Senate rules resolution	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
SR 12	Confirm Governor's appointee for Director, Dept. of Revenue	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4
SR 14	Confirm Governor appointees to boards related to energy	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20
SR 15	Confirm Governor appointees to Board of County Printing	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
SR 26	Confirm Governor appointee for Director of Dept. of Administration	Dee Brown (R) SD 2
SR 50	Confirm Governor's appointees to the POST Council	Keith Regier (R) SD 3
SR 53	Confirm Governor's appointees to the Coal Board	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20
SR 59	Confirm Governor's appointee to Public Employees' Retirement Board	Dee Brown (R) SD 2
SR 65	Confirm Governor's appointees to the Board of Crime Control	Keith Regier (R) SD 3

MACo WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR

(THIS LIST DOES NOT INCLUDE BILLS THAT DIED EARLIER IN THE SESSION DUE TO TRANSMITTAL DEADLINES)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Final Status
HB 29	Require parcel to be at least 1 acre for valuation as agricultural property	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Taxation
HB 46	Generally revising funding for civil legal aid	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(S) Died in Process: (S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed
HB 55	Revise department of transportation property transfer laws	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14	(S) Died in Process: (S) 3rd Reading Failed
HB 71	Require certain licensed health professionals be trained in suicide prevention	Wendy McKamey (R) HD 19	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Pub. Health, Welfare & Safety
HB 86	Authorize youth election judges	Kathy Swanson (D) HD 77	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) State Administration
HB 93	Generally revise law enforcement academy funding laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 98	Revising predatory animal definitions	Janet Ellis (D) HD 81	(H) Died in Process: (H) 3rd Reading Not Passed as Amended by Senate
HB 107	Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee -- (S) Finance & Claims

MACo WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Final Status
HB 123	Require certain insurance disclosures to minimize surprise bills	Amanda Curtis (D) HD 74	(H) Died in Process: (S) 2nd Reading Conf. Committee Report Adopt Motion Failed
HB 129	Revising laws related to privacy in communications	Ellie Hill Smith (D) HD 90	(H) Died in Process: (S) 3rd Reading Failed
HB 134	Revise school funding related to facilities	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Died in Process: (S) Returned to House with Amendments
HB 165	Revise punitive damage laws	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 202	Generally revise laws related to government employees and officers	Kirk Wagoner (R) HD 75	(H) Vetoed by Governor
HB 277	Revise speedy trial laws for felony offenses	Matt Regier (R) HD 4	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Judiciary
HB 325	Create exemption for raw milk producers	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(S) Died in Process: (S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed
HB 352	Provide for the Montana Local Food Choice Act	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation
HB 371	Allow late registrant absentee ballots to be dropped off at polling locations	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) State Administration
HB 400	Require disclosure of health care prices	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
HB 401	Revise local gov't and school district campaign reporting laws	Derek Skees (R) HD 11	(S) Died in Process: (S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed
HB 432	Clarify water right not abandoned if conveyance disrupted	Bradley Hamlett (D) HD 23	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Natural Resources
HB 442	Provide property tax exemption for public parks	Virginia Court (D) HD 50	(S) Died in Process: (S) 3rd Reading Failed
HB 448	Allow counties to ask voters to approve nonpartisan or partisan elections	Ross H Fitzgerald (R) HD 17	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) State Administration
HB 455	Review nondegradation rules for subdivisions	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Local Government
HB 481	Authorize local government to take action on wildfires	Bob Brown (R) HD 13	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Natural Resources
HB 531	Revise outdoor advertising laws	Shane A Morigeau (D) HD 95	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Bus., Labor, & Econ. Affairs
HB 558	Revise property taxes and tax rates	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(H) Died in Process: (S) Returned to House with Amendments (No Further Movement)
HB 573	Revise education funding laws related to tax increment financing	Rob Cook (R) HD 18	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Taxation
HB 576	Revise laws related to the legislative calendar	Jim Hamilton (D) HD 61	(S) Died in Process: (S) 2nd Reading Indefinitely Postponed
HB 599	Constitutional amendment regarding vacancy for certain statewide offices	Derek Skees (R) HD 11	(S) Died in Process: (S) 3rd Reading Failed

MACo WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Final Status
HB 602	Promote growth of film and other media in Montana	Bridget Smith (D) HD 31	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Committee Vote Failed; Remains in Committee – (S) Tax
HB 605	Montana Indian Reservation Economic Development Act	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Tax
HB 626	Constitutional amendment to revise legislator term limit laws	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) State Administration
HB 629	Study issues related to water rights	Theresa Manzella (R) HD 85	(H) Died in Process: (H) 3rd Reading Failed
HB 633	Provide for optional local interstate pipeline impact fee	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(S) Died in Process: (S) 3rd Reading Failed
HB 667	Create legislative study committee on reference-based pricing	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee -- (H) Human Services
HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Jeff Essmann (R) HD 54	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Rereferred to Committee -- (H) Tax (No Further Movement)
HJ 3	Interim study of water right change process	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Natural Resources
HJ 4	Interim study on the coal trust fund	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(H) Died in Process: (H) 2nd Reading Not Passed
HJ 31	Interim study of land use regulations and workforce housing	Adam Hertz (R) HD 96	(H) Died in Process: (H) 2nd Reading Not Passed
HJ 33	Interim study resolution on election system modernization	Bryce Bennett (D) HD 91	(H) Died in Process: (H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading
HJ 43	Interim study on replacing property tax with sales tax	Kerry White (R) HD 64	(H) Died in Process: (H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
SB 32	Repeal comm. renewable energy project requirements	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Vetoed by Governor
SB 71	Provide for an intervention hearing for parolees	Jen Gross (D) SD 25	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 83	Volunteer Health Services Act	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Human Services
SB 96	Right to shop act for health care services	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Human Services
SB 104	Authorizing establishment of an emergency care system	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Human Services
SB 145	Generally revise laws re when certain individuals may be transferred to DOC	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Appropriations
SB 179	Revise offer of judgment laws	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 192	Generally revise civil procedure laws	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 195	Generally revise laws related to unincorporated nonprofit associations	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 206	Provide for Montana standard time	Ryan Osmundson (R) SD 15	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) State Administration
SB 226	Generally revise summer school bus transportation laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Education
SB 232	Provide for off-highway trail pass	Pat Connell (R) SD 43	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Natural Resources

MACo WATCH BILLS THAT HAVE DIED THUS FAR (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Final Status
SB 249	Generally revise criminal laws regarding testimony from accomplices/informants	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 251	Generally revise laws related to short term rental facilities	Tom Facey (D) SD 50	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 271	Revise laws related to the closure of the Montana Developmental Center	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(H) Died in Process: (S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading (No Further Movement)
SB 289	Revise laws concerning title insurance policies	Frederick (Eric) Moore (R) SD 19	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Business and Labor
SB 297	Generally revise laws related to voters in school districts elections	Jedediah Hinkle (R) SD 32	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) State Administration
SB 298	Revise workers compensation relating to religious individuals and entities	Ryan Osmundson (R) SD 15	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Business and Labor
SB 300	Require health warning for raw milk sales	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SB 301	Revise federal office holder state vacancy and appointment laws	Dee Brown (R) SD 2	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) State Administration
SB 306	Allowing conversion of condo to townhouse	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Died in Process: (H) 2nd Reading Not Concurred
SB 330	Provide for property assessed clean energy financing	Chas Vincent (R) SD 1	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Natural Resources
SB 335	Generally revise laws to facilitate public/private partnerships	Jeffrey W Welborn (R) SD 36	(S) Died in Process: (H) 2nd Reading Not Concurred
SB 338	Revise laws related to closure of certain coal-fired generation	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Energy, Tech & Fed Relations
SB 353	Revise laws concerning ambulance services	Edward Buttrey (R) SD 11	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Human Services
SB 354	Revise tobacco, nicotine, and tobacco product taxes for healthcare services	Mary Caferro (D) SD 41	(S) Died in Process: (H) Adverse Committee Report Adopted -- (H) Taxation
SB 370	Provide for enhanced driver's license	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Finance and Claims
SB 375	Generally revise marriage laws	Scott Sales (R) SD 35	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Human Services
SB 377	Revise laws related to bringing Montana into compliance with federal real ID act	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (H) Tabled in Committee – (H) Judiciary
SJ 22	Interim study related to public land access	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) SD 38	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Fish and Game
SJ 30	Interim study resolution relating to state government issues	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(H) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 04/12/2017; 3:00 PM, Rm 335 (No Further Movement)
SR 48	Confirm Governor's appointees to Hard-Rock Mining Impact Board	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(S) Died in Standing Committee: (S) Tabled in Committee – (S) Energy & Telecommunications

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