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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's hearing schedule lists only the bills that have been introduced during the week.

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MACo & THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE

The Montana Association of Counties' website has a section dedicated to helping members keep track of the happenings during the Montana's Legislative Session: [click here to go to our policy pages](#). In this area of the website, you'll find MACo's resolutions, links to pertinent bills, the current and past issues of our weekly *Legislative Update*, hearing calendars, committee listings, and more.

LOBBYING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNTIES

With the Legislative Session fast approaching, counties are reminded that while elected officials are exempt from the normal reporting requirements of lobbyists, they still may need to register with the Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP) as a "Principal" if the county pays for lobbying activities conducted on the county's behalf by hired or contract lobbyists or county employees.

Lobbying is controlled by 5-7-111, MCA, and ARM, 44.12.102-211 and is defined as the practice of promoting or opposing the introduction or enactment of legislation before the legislature or the members of the

legislature; and the practice of promoting or opposing official action by any public official. This definition also provides that actions when performed by a legislator, a public official, an elected local official, an elected federal official, or an elected tribal official, while acting in an official governmental capacity, is not lobbying. Additionally, there is nothing in the laws or regulations for lobbying subjects an individual, lobbying on his own behalf (not the county's behalf), to any reporting requirements nor deprives an individual of the constitutional right to communicate with public officials.

44.12.107 LOCAL GOVERNMENT LOBBYING—DEFINITIONS AND REPORTING

(1) A local government entity, which includes but is not limited to a county, a consolidated government, an incorporated city or town, a school district, or a special district, that engages in lobbying is a principal subject to the requirements of Title 5, chapter 7, MCA, and this chapter. A local government entity is exempt from reporting the following actions as lobbying activities:

(a) recommendations or reports to the legislature or a committee thereof, or a public official, in response to a request expressly requesting or directing a specific study, recommendation, or report by a state agency on a particular subject;

(b) any duty that is mandated by law, rule or executive order, such as the governor's annual message to the legislature;

(c) budget preparation activities related to preparation and submittal of the governor's executive budget as required by Article VI, section 9 of the Montana Constitution ([5-7-211, MCA](#));

(d) information or testimony provided in response to a request from the legislature, a legislative committee, or a public official if the information or testimony does not support or oppose the official action under consideration; and

(e) the actions of elected local officials while acting in their official capacity for a local government entity to promote or oppose the introduction or enactment of legislation before the legislature or the members of the legislature ([5-7-102 \(11\)\(b\), MCA](#)).

Any lobbying activity, other than those specifically enumerated in 44.12.107(1)(a-e) is subject to reporting requirements. Subsection (e) exempts local elected officials from reporting and specifically allows for the promotion or opposition of legislation by local elected officials, while acting in their official capacity. County employees may provide informational testimony; not supporting or opposing legislation also is not subject to reporting requirements.

The line between providing informational testimony and advocating or opposing legislation is often a very thin, but nonetheless, a very important line. A county employee may attend a legislative committee hearing with well prepared and thought out testimony that is totally informational in nature, but is asked a question by a member of the committee. A response to that question could, and very often does, go into the arena of advocating support or opposition. This unto itself is not a problem and nothing prohibits such a response; however it could trigger reporting requirements.

At any time, when payments for lobbying activities exceeds \$2,600* (reimbursement for personal living expenses do not have to be reported), or your county enters into a written or oral agreement for lobbying services, the reporting requirements are triggered and are retrospective, meaning that all costs irrespective of when incurred, must be reported. To comply with the reporting requirements, your county must be registered, using an L-3 form, as a "Principal" and a representative must be named. This would normally be the individual who will be responsible for completing and submitting the necessary reports. Each individual who has engaged in lobbying activities must also be registered as a lobbyist, irrespective of the amount your county spent for that individual to lobby. The application for registration as a lobbyist is completed on an L-1 form. The financial reporting must be done on an L-5 form and must be done at any time expenditures exceed the \$2,600 threshold. A complete reporting calendar is incorporated in the L-5 report.

All forms are available on the COPP website at <http://politicalpractices.mt.gov/forms>

WHAT DOES ALL OF THIS MEAN?

- If you do not believe your county will expend more than \$2,600 on lobbying activities, you should still track ALL lobbying costs, in case you should exceed the threshold.
- If you think your county will probably exceed the threshold, you should register as a Principal, then closely track all expenditures and file the necessary reports, irrespective of the amount actually spent to-date.
- If you know your county will exceed the threshold because you plan to or have contracted with an individual of lobbying services, register as a Principal and make sure that person has filed an application to be a registered lobbyist and immediately begin tracking all expenditures. You should review the reporting calendar in the L-5 report and file all reports in a timely manner.
- Montana Law does not prohibit lobbying; it imposes reporting requirements.

MACo is registered as a "Principal." MACo Executive Director, Eric Bryson; Deputy Director, Jason Rittal; Associate Director, Sheryl Wood, General Counsel, McKenzie McCarthy; Communications Director, Shantil Siaperas; and PCT Land Use Attorney, Tara DePuy are registered to lobby on behalf of MACo.

If you have questions, please contact either MACo or the Commissioner of Political Practices. For more information, please visit the [website for the Commissioner of Political Practices](#).

* someone who is paid a total less than the amount specified under [5-7-112, MCA](#) in a calendar year.

2019 PROJECTED SESSION CALENDAR

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.

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. 7:	66th Legislative Session begins	March 26:	Last day to introduce Appropriation Bills, Revenue Bills & Bills Proposing Referenda
Jan. 22:	Last day to request General Bills & Resolutions	April 1:	Transmittal of Appropriation Bills, Revenue Bills & Bills Proposing Referenda
Jan. 29:	Last day to request Revenue Bills	April 8:	Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
Feb. 20:	Last day for Committee to request General Bills & Resolutions	April 16:	Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills, Revenue Bills & Bills Proposing Referenda
Feb. 25:	Last day to introduce General Bills	April 20:	Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Estimating Joint Resolution
March 2:	Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber & Last day to request Appropriation Bills	April 19-22:	Break
March 3-6:	Transmittal Break	April 25:	Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions
March 19:	Last day for committees to request revenue bills, bills proposing referenda, or bills implementing HB 2.	May 1:	Sine Die
March 23:	Transmittal of Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolution; and last day to request Study Resolutions		

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, JANUARY 7TH

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
The 66th Legislative Session Convenes at Noon in the House and Senate's Respective Chambers.					
Floor Sessions Begin at 1:00 p.m. in the House and Senate's Respective Chambers.					

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8TH

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
10:00 AM	(S) Rules	317	SJ 1	Senate Joint Resolution on the joint rules	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
10:00 AM	(S) Rules	317	SR 1	Senate Resolution on the Senate rules	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 1	Feed Bill to fund 66th Legislative session and prepare for 2021	Carl Glimm (R) HD 6

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9TH

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
There are no bills scheduled for hearings as of yet.					

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10TH

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 36	Revise laws related to the code commissioner and publication of the MCA	Seth Berglee (R) HD 58
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 60	Code Commissioner Bill	Edward Buttrey (R) HD 21
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 19	Revise laws related to local government budgeting and accounting	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 21	Prohibit use of tanning devices by minors	Roger Webb (R) SD 23
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 3	Revise laws related to interim oversight of the office of public defender	Jen Gross (D) SD 25
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 36	Provide exceptions to mandatory inmate savings	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 101	Revise deadline for applying for refund of livestock per capita fee	Casey Knudsen (R) HD 33
3:00 PM	(H) Agriculture	137	HB 63	Remove sunset date to extend financial liability for pesticide applicators	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 71	Generally revise state medical examiner laws	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94
3:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 73	Revise laws related to classification of certain public defender employees	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	172	HB 104	Free prerequisite licenses for block management cooperators	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife and Parks	172	HB 43	Revise landowner elk license laws	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 103	Allow certain medical practitioners to make substance abuse treatment referrals	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 79	Revise laws relating to the temporary assistance for needy families program	Tom Welch (R) HD 72
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 83	Eliminate the HELP Act oversight committee	Mary Caferro (D) HD 81

THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 56	Repeal meat and poultry inspection appeals process	Janet Ellis (D) SD 41
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 57	Revise meat and poultry inspection laws in line with federal standards	Janet Ellis (D) SD 41
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 67	Revise reference to deposit of aerial hunting permit fees	Bruce Gillespie (R) SD 9
3:00 PM	(S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation	335	SB 68	Remove residency requirements for aerial hunting permits	Bruce Gillespie (R) SD 9
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	SB 51	Revise highway definitions, terminology, and allocation process for consistency	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45
3:00 PM	(S) Highways and Transportation	405	SB 76	Regulate encroachments in highway right of way	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13

FRIDAY, JANUARY II

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 116	Revise public defender fees	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 117	Revise laws relating to eligibility for public defender services	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 89	Revise public defender fees	Shane A Morigeau (D) HD 95
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 106	Revise constituent services account administration	Steve Gunderson (R) HD 1
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HJ 3	Interim study resolution on accessibility for disabled electors	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 1	Exempting lottery game parameters from MAPA	Sue Malek (D) SD 46
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 13	Allocating supportive housing grant funds to those serving Am Indian offenders	Jen Gross (D) SD 25
8:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs	422	SB 31	Revising the big sky economic development program re: high unemployment counties	Jason D Small (R) SD 21
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 28	Revise taxation of certain incremental oil production	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 42	Revise filing requirements for warrants for distraint	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42
8:30 AM	(H) Business and Labor	172	HB 68	Revise electrician licensing regarding nonrenewal to match other boards	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71
8:30 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 16	Establish affordable housing loan program	Dave Fern (D) HD 5
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 26	Remove requirement for state to pay travel costs for prosecution witnesses	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 37	Revise laws related to recording of parole board hearings	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 43	Allow omnibus hearings to be conducted remotely	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 62	Revise inmate welfare fund laws to include Pine Hills	Diane Sands (D) SD 49
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 33	Revise subdivision laws	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 32	Create stream gauge oversight work group	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 34	Revise hearings process for change of water right application	Pat Flowers (D) SD 32
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 45	Revise certain water right adjudication processes	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	303	SB 46	Revise laws related to distribution lists	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 2	Allow government accounting standards to include DOA framework	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 53	Revise meal reimbursement for public employees	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37

2019 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
HJ1	Interim study on voter qualifications for all special purpose districts	2018-08	Denise Hayman (D) HD 66	(H) Referred to Committee – (H) State Administration
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM LEGISLATIVE STUDY OF VOTER QUALIFICATIONS IN ALL SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT ELECTIONS.			
LC0592	Generally revise sewer district laws	2018-09	Alan Doane (R) HD 36	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING METHODS OF COST ASSESSMENT FOR METROPOLITAN SANITARY AND STORM SEWER DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTION 7-13-121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LC0964	Remove unusable mobile homes from property tax rolls	2018-14	Margie MacDonald (D) SD 26	(C) Draft Request Received
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1035	Exempting a local government from certain campaign finance reporting provisions	2018-17	Joel G Krautter (R) HD 35	(C) Draft On Hold
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1079	Authorize county commissioners to lift agricultural covenants -limited situation	2018-11	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(C) Draft Delivered to Requester
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL COVENANTS UNDER THE SUBDIVISION AND PLATTING ACT; CLARIFYING THAT A CHANGE IN USE SUBJECTS CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS TO SUBDIVISION REVIEW; ALLOWING A GOVERNING BODY TO REVOKE CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN USE; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-3-207, MCA."			
LC1080	Specifying a county attorney's obligation in certain legal matters	2018-04	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(C) Executive Director Review
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT SPECIFYING A COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OBLIGATION IN CERTAIN LEGAL MATTERS; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2711, MCA."			
LC1141	Allow counties to establish a coal trust fund	2018-01	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A COUNTY COAL MINE TRUST RESERVE FUND FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LC1321	Revise local government authority of certain speed limits	2018-19	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING WHERE A LOCAL AUTHORITY AND A COUNTY COMMISSION MAY SET SPEED LIMITS; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-310, MCA."			
LC1359	Clarify laws regarding cost of care for animals seized	2018-05	Daniel R Salomon (R) SD 47	(C) Draft On Hold
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1529	Generally revise laws related to disposal and destruction of public records	2018-07	Katie Sullivan (D) HD 89	(C) Executive Director Review
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2222, MCA."			
LC1567	Clarify definition of bison	2018-18	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF "WILD BUFFALO" OR "WILD BISON"; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-1-101, 87-2-101, AND 87-6-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."			

MACo RESOLUTIONS & INTRODUCED LEGISLATION (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
LC1596	Revise local government authority to set school zone speed limits	2018-20	Bruce Grubbs (R) HD 68	(C) Executive Director Final Review
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A LOCAL AUTHORITY TO SET A SPEED LIMIT IN A SCHOOL ZONE OR NEAR A SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER WITHOUT AN ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-310, MCA."			
LC1597	Revise workers' comp solvency guidelines for self-insured public entities	2018-21	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(C) Draft Request Received
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1746	Revise weed control laws	2018-12	Ray L Shaw (R) HD 71	(C) Draft Request Received
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1967	Repeal temporary tribal tax exemption	2018-15	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(C) Draft Request Received
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC1968	Standardize penalties for aquatic invasive species	2018-10	Greg Hertz (R) HD 12	(C) Draft Taken Off Hold
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC2969	Allow counties to establish county auditor as part-time office	2018-02	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(C) Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR; ALLOWING A COUNTY TO CREATE A FULL-TIME, PART-TIME, OR COMBINATION POSITION FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR; AND AMENDING 7-6-2401, MCA."			
LC2984	Providing legal access to parcels exempt from subdivision review	2018-16	Jason W Ellsworth (R) SD 43	(C) Draft On Hold
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			
LC2990	Generally revise mill levy inflation calculation laws	2018-03	Tom Welch (R) HD 72	(C) Draft Request Received
	NO OFFICIAL LANGUAGE AVAILABE AS OF YET			

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MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 3	Supplemental Appropriations Bill	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019; PROVIDING FOR FUND TRANSFERS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 14	Long-Range Building Bonding Program	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS STATEWIDE; CREATING THE DELIVERING LOCAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM; CREATING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; CREATING THE DELIVERING LOCAL ASSISTANCE ACCOUNT FOR GRANTS AND THE STATE AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOUNT; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE RENEWABLE RESOURCE GRANT AND LOAN PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR GRANTS UNDER THE RECLAMATION AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR AUTHORIZED PROJECTS FROM THE 2019 BIENNium DUE TO A FUNDS TRANSFER FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE GENERAL FUND DURING THE NOVEMBER 2017 SPECIAL SESSION; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THROUGH THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANT AMOUNTS; PLACING CONDITIONS UPON GRANTS AND FUNDS; REAUTHORIZING PROJECT GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY AND PLANNING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS; AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF STATE DEBT THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; AUTHORIZING TRANSFER TO THE GENERAL FUND; CLARIFYING THAT CERTAIN ACCOUNTS ARE SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE FUND TRANSFERS; AMENDING SECTION 90-6-701, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
HB 28	Establish fireworks tax to assist with workers' comp for volunteer firefighters	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/15/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TAX ON FIREWORKS TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES; PROVIDING THAT THE TAX IS COLLECTED BY FIREWORKS WHOLESALERS; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE TAX REVENUE; PROVIDING FOR A PORTION OF THE REVENUE TO BE USED FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; CREATING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND TRAUMA SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
HB 31	Revise fire assessment fees	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO FIRE ASSESSMENT FEES; ASSESSING FEES TO LAND OUTSIDE OF MUNICIPALITIES FOR WILDLAND FIRE PROTECTION PREPAREDNESS AND AVIATION EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-33-2202, 7-33-2210, 76-13-102, 76-13-103, 76-13-104, 76-13-105, 76-13-108, 76-13-110, 76-13-111, 76-13-115, 76-13-117, 76-13-121, 76-13-126, 76-13-140, 76-13-201, 76-13-202, 76-13-206, 76-13-207, 76-13-209, 76-13-210, AND 76-13-212, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 76-13-107, 76-13-203, 76-13-204, 76-13-205, 76-13-208, AND 76-13-213, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 32	Revise laws related to aquatic invasive species programs	Willis Curdy (D) HD 98	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAMS; REQUIRING AN AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION PASS FOR OPERATION OF VESSELS; ESTABLISHING FEES; REVISING PREVENTION PASS FEES FOR ANGLERS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS OF GENERAL FUND; PROVIDING A STATUTORY APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-122, 17-7-502, 80-7-1004, 87-2-130, AND 87-2-903, MCA; AMENDING SECTIONS 19 AND 21, CHAPTER 387, LAWS OF 2017; REPEALING SECTION 7, CHAPTER 387, LAWS OF 2017; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
HB 52	Revise and make permanent funding for various economic development programs	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING AND MAKING PERMANENT CERTAIN FUND TRANSFERS AND STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS RELATED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS; REVISING RESEARCH AND COMMERCIALIZATION FUNDING; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-122, 15-35-108, 90-3-1002, AND 90-3-1003, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 10, CHAPTER 10, SPECIAL LAWS OF MAY 2000, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 481, LAWS OF 2003, AND SECTION 2, CHAPTER 459, LAWS OF 2009; REPEALING SECTION 6, CHAPTER 481, LAWS OF 2003, AND SECTION 3, CHAPTER 459, LAWS OF 2009; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
HJ 3	Interim study resolution on accessibility for disabled electors SAVA IC & MACR	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM LEGISLATIVE STUDY ON ACCESSIBILITY FOR ELECTORS WITH DISABILITIES.		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 15	Allow certain state funds to be used for affordable housing infrastructure	Carlie Boland (D) SD 12	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS; PROVIDING THAT BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FUNDS MAY BE USED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS; PROVIDING THAT TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM FUNDS MAY BE USED FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS; EXPANDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 90-1-204 AND 90-6-701, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 19	Revise laws related to local government budgeting and accounting	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/10/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS RELATED TO BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES; REQUIRING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PERFORM INVESTIGATIONS AND BRING ACTIONS AGAINST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND AUDITORS WITH RESPECT TO AUDITS; REQUIRING SPECIAL AUDITS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF THE CITY OR COUNTY ATTORNEY IF A SHORTAGE IS FOUND BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR; PROVIDING AUDIT TIMELINES; REQUIRING THE STOPPAGE OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROVIDING A TAXPAYER WITH AN INDEPENDENT CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST A LOCAL GOVERNMENT; ALLOWING A RECEIVER TO BE APPOINTED UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO COMPEL ACTION BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; IMPOSING MANDATORY DUTIES ON CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND STATE OFFICERS; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-7-503, 2-7-506, 2-7-508, 2-7-511, 2-7-515, 2-7-517, AND 7-6-611, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 22	Increasing the victim and witness program surcharge	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE VICTIM AND WITNESS SURCHARGE; AMENDING SECTION 46-18-236, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 29	Require workers' comp for all volunteer firefighters	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Local Government
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR ALL VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; CLARIFYING THAT THE DISABILITY AND PENSION FUND'S USES INCLUDE PAYING WORKERS' COMPENSATION PREMIUMS PLUS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES; DELAYING IMPLEMENTATION; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-33-4510, 19-18-203, 19-18-601, AND 39-71-118, MCA."		
SB 46	Revise laws related to distribution lists	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING PUBLIC AGENCIES TO USE DISTRIBUTION LISTS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-6-1017 AND 30-17-101, MCA."		
SB 53	Revise meal reimbursement for public employees	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR STATE AND LOCAL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES; INCREASING IN-STATE MEAL REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES; CLARIFYING MEAL, LODGING, AND FOREIGN TRAVEL RATES FOR STATE AND LOCAL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES; CODIFYING CURRENT POLICY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT; AMENDING SECTION 2-18-501, MCA; AND PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."		

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HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 4	Appropriations by Budget Amendment	Dan Bartel (R) HD 29	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 5	Long-Range Building Appropriations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 6	Renewable Resource Grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 7	Reclamation & Development Grants	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 8	Renewable Resource Bonds & Loans	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 9	Cultural & Aesthetic Grants	Tom Woods (D) HD 62	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 10	Long-Range Information Technology Appropriations	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 11	Treasure State Regional Water Program	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 13	State Employee Pay Plan	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 16	Establish affordable housing loan program	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation: 01/11/2019; 8:30 AM, Rm 152
HB 17	Establish grant program and other uses of DD general fund appropriation	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 19	Revise definition of "high-poverty county" for Big Sky Economic Development	Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D) HD 42	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Local Government
HB 20	Revising laws related to the report of missing children	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 21	Establishing "Hanna's Act"	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 26	Appropriate funds for a wage increase for DD direct-care workers	Gordon Pierson (D) HD 78	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 30	Revise Libby asbestos superfund laws	Steve Gunderson (R) HD 1	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources: 01/16/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 35	Revise alcohol laws regarding auctions and quota areas	Edward Buttrey (R) HD 21	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business and Labor
HB 36	Revise laws related to the code commissioner and publication of the MCA	Seth Berglee (R) HD 58	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/10/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 39	Amend fuel tax laws related to dyed fuel	Dave Fern (D) HD 5	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation: 01/14/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 40	Creating the reentry cultural programming grant program	Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D) HD 42	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 45	Clarify criteria for water right permit relying on waiver of adverse effect	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources: 01/18/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 46	Eliminate or revise MCA references to Article II, section 36, of MT Constitution	Lola Galloway (R) HD 22	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/14/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 47	Generally revise criminal records laws	Terry Moore (R) HD 54	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/14/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 48	Provide for stacking of tribal court convictions for partner or family assault	Laurie Bishop (D) HD 60	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 49	Create a vehicle occupant safety pilot program	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 53	Revise Big Sky Economic Development Trust Fund program	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business and Labor: 01/14/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 54	Revising laws related to missing persons reports	Rae Peppers (D) HD 41	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary

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HB 55	Revise Sanitation in Subdivisions Act	Forrest Mandeville (R) HD 57	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Government: 01/15/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 472
HB 58	Revise report requirement from drought and water supply advisory committee	Zach Brown (D) HD 63	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources: 01/23/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 60	Code Commissioner Bill	Edward Buttrey (R) HD 21	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/10/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 69	Establish requirements for DD crisis response services	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 73	Revise laws related to classification of certain public defender employees	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps.: 01/10/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 78	Require public hearings for utility planning	Zac Perry (D) HD 3	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy and Telecommunications
HB 86	Generally revise prescription drug laws	Vince Ricci (R) HD 55	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Human Services
HB 87	Revise child abuse diversion pilot project laws	Kimberly Dudik (D) HD 94	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 89	Revise public defender fees	Shane A Morigeau (D) HD 95	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 91	Revise laws related to independent review organizations	Vince Ricci (R) HD 55	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business and Labor: 01/18/2019; 8:30 AM, Rm 172
HB 93	Revise small water and sewer utility regulation	Derek Skees (R) HD 11	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Federal Relations, Energy and Telecommunications
HB 96	Revise laws related to the board of crime control	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 97	Generally revise POST Council statutes	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 98	Generally revise peace officer statutes	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 99	Generally revise coroner laws	Frank Garner (R) HD 7	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 109	Revise statute of limitations for sex offenses	Mary Ann Dunwell (D) HD 84	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 110	Generally revise pretrial diversion laws	Ryan Lynch (D) HD 76	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 111	Transfer parole supervision of certain youth to youth court	Frank Fleming (R) HD 51	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 115	Generally revise motor vehicle laws	Julie Dooling (R) HD 70	(H) Hearing -- (H) Transportation: 01/16/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
HB 116	Revise public defender fees	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 117	Revise laws relating to eligibility for public defender services	Kenneth L Holmlund (R) HD 38	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 118	Create grant program to remove lead from school water supplies	Julie Dooling (R) HD 70	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Natural Resources
HB 119	Increase bond and fees for the Hazard Reduction Agreement program	Denley M Loge (R) HD 14	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources: 01/21/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HJ 2	Revenue estimating resolution	Alan Redfield (R) HD 59	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
SB 2	Allow government accounting standards to include DOA framework	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Administration: 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 3	Revise laws related to interim oversight of the office of public defender	Jen Gross (D) SD 25	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary: 01/10/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 4	Require daily or monthly rates for certain DD community services	Albert Olszewski (R) SD 6	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety

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Bill No.	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Status
SB 5	Require review of regulations related to DD community services	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 6	Revise school funding related to school safety	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) SD 38	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources: 01/14/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 7	Propose an inflationary increase for DD providers	Albert Olszewski (R) SD 6	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 9	Revise school funding related to overestimated ANB increases	Daniel R Salomon (R) SD 47	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources
SB 17	Authorize creation of regional fire protection service authorities	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Local Government
SB 18	Establish workforce housing tax credits	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Taxation
SB 20	Allow certain municipalities to annex onto a rural fire district	Roger Webb (R) SD 23	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Local Government
SB 23	Require accommodations to employer-mandated vaccinations to be uniformly offered	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 24	Increase optional light motor vehicle registration fee for parks and recreation	Terry Gauthier (R) SD 40	(S) Introduced
SB 26	Remove requirement for state to pay travel costs for prosecution witnesses	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary: 01/11/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 27	Revise insurance laws relating to temporary waterproof coverings and exclusions	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/14/2019; 09:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 28	Revise taxation of certain incremental oil production	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 31	Revising the big sky economic development program re: high unemployment counties	Jason D Small (R) SD 21	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 32	Create stream gauge oversight work group	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources: 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 33	Revise subdivision laws	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Government: 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 34	Revise hearings process for change of water right application	Pat Flowers (D) SD 32	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources: 01/11/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 35	Generally revise school safety laws	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources
SB 38	Allow emergency care providers to offer community health care	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 39	Revise surplus lines insurance requirements	Steve Fitzpatrick (R) SD 10	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/14/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 42	Revise filing requirements for warrants for distraint	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation: 01/11/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 43	Allow omnibus hearings to be conducted remotely	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary: 01/11/2019; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 48	Revise variances to water quality standards	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 51	Revise highway definitions, terminology, and allocation process for consistency	Dick Barrett (D) SD 45	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation: 01/10/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 52	Generally revise laws on sexual assault kits	Diane Sands (D) SD 49	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
SB 54	Revise laws governing multiple employer welfare arrangements	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 55	Generally revise captive insurance laws	Daniel R Salomon (R) SD 47	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/15/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 422

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SB 61	Revise Prescription Drug Registry	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D) SD 26	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SB 65	Generally revise drug and alcohol laws	Keith Regier (R) SD 3	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
SB 66	Generally revise opencut mining laws	Tom Richmond (R) SD 28	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
SB 69	Provisional agricultural classification for certain property with trees/vines	Mark Blasdel (R) SD 4	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation: 01/15/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 71	Regulate health insurers' administration of pharmacy benefits for consumers	Albert Olszewski (R) SD 6	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/16/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 72	Revising supplemental notice laws in the Montana Administrative Procedure Act	Jon C Sesso (D) SD 37	(S) Introduced
SB 76	Regulate encroachments in highway right of way	Brian Hoven (R) SD 13	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways and Transportation: 01/10/2019; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 78	Require workers' comp insurers to provide notice to worker of claim closure	Mary McNally (D) SD 24	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs: 01/18/2019; 8:00 AM, Rm 422
SJ 1	Senate Joint Resolution on the joint rules	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Hearing -- (S) Rules: 01/08/2019; 10:00 AM, Rm 317
SJ 2	Requesting an interim study of options to break the cycle of youth who run away	Frank Smith (D) SD 16	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety
SR 1	Senate Resolution on the Senate rules	Fred Thomas (R) SD 44	(S) Hearing -- (S) Rules: 01/08/2019; 10:00 AM, Rm 317

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