

MUS Bill Tracking (as of 2/13/09)

note: this list is intended to highlight particular bills of interest and is not inclusive of all bills tracked by the MUS

Primary Sponsor	Short Title	Status/Update
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Appropriations

HB 2	Jon C Sesso	General appropriations act	Executive action in subcommittee scheduled for 2/17, 2/18
HB 5	Jon C Sesso	Long-range building appropriations -- include energy conservation	\$3.6 million for deferred maintenance; Hearing in subcommittee occurred on 1/28
HB 13	Chuck Hunter	Pay plan for state employees	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Finance and Claims

Retirement Benefits

HB 87	Sue Dickenson	Provide increase in employer contribution to optional retirement program	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) State Administration
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CC Establishment

SB 41	Dave Lewis	Clarify community college district approval process	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing oc 2/9
SJ 2	Dave Lewis	Study community college establishment process	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing occurred for 2/9
SJ 12	Rick Laible	Approve Bitterroot valley community college	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources; hearing continued on 2/16

Elected Boards

SB 80	Dan McGee	Elect Board of Regents	Senate floor vote 20 (Y) 30 (N); referred to House Education Committee
SB 81	Dan McGee	Elect Board of Public Education	Senate floor vote 21 (Y) 29 (N); referred to House Education Committee

Study Bills

SJ 3	Rick Laible	Interim study to consider establishment of Montana Scholarship Program	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education
SJ 8	Bob Hawks	Urge development of K-20 education shared policy goals	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing occurred on 2/9
SJ 9	David E Wanzenried	Study student loan system	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education

Other

HB 185	Bill Nooney	Allow tax deduction for other states college saving plans	(H) Hearing -- (H) Appropriations
HB 228	Krayton Kerns	Citizen self-defense and firearm rights	(H) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (H) Judiciary
SB 304	Roy Brown	Keep our kids here tax credit	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation; hearing scheduled for 2/13
HB 467	Dave McAlpin	University system bonding for new buildings	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Appropriations
HB 355	Edith (Edie) McClafferty	Fund math and science academy at Montana Tech	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education (likely tabled)
HB 459	Wanda Grinde	Create and fund K-12 distance learning network	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education; hearing occurred on 2/9