

SAMLN17 Legislative Schedule Update 1-11-17

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Upcoming Hearings

Tuesday – January 10 – Legislative Day 7

Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation – Room 335, 3pm

[SB55](#) – Revise nursery licensing, fees, inspections, and penalties (Daniel Salomon)

[SB73](#) – **Revise laws related to livestock loss (Pat Connell)**

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – **Room 303, 8am**

[SB44](#) – Provide process to hold patients harmless from balance billing by air ambulance (Gordon Vance)

[SB77](#) – Revise title insurance requirements in tax deed laws (Nels Swandal)

Senate Energy and Telecommunications – Room 317, 3pm

[SB1](#) – Generally revise net metering laws (Pat Connell)

[SB7](#) – Generally revise net metering (Pat Connell)

Senate Fish and Game – Room 422, 3pm

[SB84](#) – **Extend the paddlefish roe donation program (Steve Hinebauch)**

Senate Highways and Transportation – Room 405, 3pm

[SB33](#) – **Clarify that highway structures not subject to building code requirements (Brian Hoven)**

[SB35](#) – **Revise laws concerning deposit and expenditure of highway revenue (Brian Hoven)**

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, **10am**

[SR2](#) – Senate resolution regarding litigation involving the Senate confirmation process (Nels Swandal)

Senate Taxation – Room 405, **9am**

[SB10](#) – Repeal the refundable income tax credit relief multiple (Mark Blasdel)

[SB27](#) – **Amend TIF laws related to public hearings and reporting (Fred Thomas)**

House Agriculture – Room 137, 3pm

[HB82](#) – Update vertebrate pest management laws (Jacob Bachmeier)

[HB130](#) – Revise commercial feed inspection fee and reporting requirements (Zac Perry)

[HB131](#) – Revise reports and fees for produce, seed, feed, fertilizer (Zac Perry)

House Business and Labor – Room 172, 8:30am

[HB16](#) – Revise interim committee review authority over alcohol beverage laws (Vince Ricci)

[HB25](#) – Revise reporting for business industrial development corporations (Ryan Lynch)

[HB73](#) – Regulate certain air ambulance memberships as insurance (Ryan Lynch)

House Fish, Wildlife and Parks – Room 152, 3pm

[HB96](#) – Revise free elk license/permit for landowner providing free public elk hunting (Zach Brown)

[HB128](#) – Revise waiting period for bighorn sheep licenses (Ray Shaw)

[HB150](#) – Clarify FWP residency requirement for armed forces member, spouse & dependent (Kerry White)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[HB89](#) – Establish holistic defense pilot project within state public defender system (Kimberly Dudik)

[HB94](#) – Generally revise public safety officer standards/training council laws (Frank Garner)

[HB135](#) – Revise Youth Court Act to allow information sharing (Kimberly Dudik)

House Legislative Administration – Room 455, 2pm

[HB90](#) – Require interim committees and EQC to adopt rules to allow proxies (Bryce Bennett)

House State Administration – Room 455, 9am

[HB40](#) – Allow Dissemination of Confidential Criminal Justice Info to Adjutant General (Kim Abbott)

[HB117](#) – Provide an appropriation for grants to local veteran suicide prevention efforts (Jonathan Windy Boy)

[HB118](#) – Revise and provide additional funding for state suicide prevention program (Jonathan Windy Boy)

House Taxation – Room 152, 8am

[HB19](#) – Allow claim of elderly owner/renter credit on property not subject to taxes (Tom Jacobson)

[HB29](#) – Require parcel to be a least 1 acre for valuation as agricultural property (Jeff Essmann)

[HB42](#) – Revise partnership filing due dates to match federal tax filing due dates (Kim Abbott)

Wednesday – January 11 – Legislative Day 8

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 8am

[SB68](#) – Revise wholesale drug distribution license through Board of Pharmacy (Dick Barrett)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 10am

[SB81](#) – Generally revise coroner laws (Nels Swandal)

[SB90](#) – Remove mandatory jail for driving on suspended or revoked license (Nels Swandal)

Senate Local Government – Room 405, 3pm

[SB79](#) – Revise laws regarding rural improvement districts for road maintenance (Steve Fitzpatrick)

Senate Natural Resources – Room 303, 3pm

[SB15](#) – Revise collection of payment for historic rights of way (Jill Cohenour)

[SB18](#) – Establish wildfire fuel reduction funding process (Pat Connell)

Senate State Administration – Room 335, 3pm

[SB87](#) – Revise campaign finance report laws (Keith Regier)

House Business and Labor – Room 172, 8:30am

- [HB80](#) – General revise laws on secretary of state’s business services (Willis Curdy)
- [HB106](#) – Provide registration authority for appraisal management companies (Tom Jacobson)
- [HB114](#) – Prohibit the sale or trade of cultural patrimony and sacred objects (George Kipp)
- [HB122](#) – Revise Board of Realty Regulation (Casey Schreiner)
- [HB197](#) – Generally revise board of real estate appraisers terms of service (Tom Jacobson)

House Education – Room 137, 3pm

- [HB167](#) – Encourage school-community partnerships for arts education (Jeremy Trebas)
- [HB191](#) – Provide inflationary increase for ANB funding (Seth Berglee)

House Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations – Room 472, 3pm

- [HB189](#) – Eliminate certain automatic utility rate adjustments (Daniel Zolnikov)
- [HB193](#) – Revise utility electric cost recovery (Tom Woods)

House Human Services – Room 152, 3pm

- [HB95](#) – Increasing access to behavioral health care (Gordon Pierson)
- [HB121](#) – Remove sunset on patient-centered medical homes (Amanda Curtis)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government – Room 350, 8am

- [HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (Department of Administration – Health Care & Benefits Division; Risk Management and Tort Division)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services – Room 102, 8am

- [HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (AMDD – Chemical dependency and mental health services)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Transportation – Room 317C, 8:30am

- [HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (Department of Transportation)

House Joint Appropriations/Finance and Claims Subcommittee on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement and Justice – Room 317A, 8am

- [HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) – Department of Justice

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

- [HB111](#) – Revising laws related to minor in possession data (Ryan Lynch)
- [HB129](#) – Revising laws related to privacy in communications (Ellie Hill Smith)
- [HB181](#) – Establish requirements for police dogs (Forrest Mandeville)

House Natural Resources – Room 172, 3pm

- [HB53](#) – Repeal assessment computation statute for conservation districts (Zach Brown)
- [HB54](#) – Revise water right abandonment laws to account for drought plans (Zach Brown)
- [HB78](#) – Revise temporary water right lease laws (Ryan Lynch)

House State Administration – Room 455, 9am

- [HB67](#) – Generally revise Teachers’ Retirement System (Marilyn Ryan)
- [HB68](#) – Revise university system retirement plan participation requirements (Marilyn Ryan)
- [HB72](#) – Increase university system supplemental contribution to TRS (Ryan Lynch)
- [HB159](#) – Designate Shelby veterans’ memorial (Rob Cook)

House Taxation – Room 152, 8am

[HB43](#) – Authorize informal review deadline for second year property reappraisal cycle (Dave Fern)

[HB47](#) – Revise tax laws to adopt federal regulations for partnerships (Zach Brown)

[HB63](#) – Require withholding annual returns, W2s, and 1099s to be filed earlier (Jim Hamilton)

[HB115](#) – Revise agricultural implements and machinery appraisal laws (George Kipp)

House Transportation – Room 455, 3pm

[HB92](#) – Allow for alternative contracting process for the department of transportation (Frank Garner)

[HB170](#) – Reducing vehicle fees for seniors (Jeremy Trebas)

[HB174](#) – Revising vehicle requirements for the use of headlamps and tail lamps (Barry Usher)

Thursday – January 12 – Legislative Day 9

Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation – Room 335, 3pm

[SB73](#) – Revise laws related to livestock loss (Pat Connell)

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 8am

[SB80](#) – **Revise dental auxiliary laws (Steve Fitzpatrick)**

[SB89](#) – **Generally revise automobile franchise laws (Gordon Vance)**

Senate Energy and Telecommunications – Room 317, 3pm

[SJ2](#) – **Study of renewable energy credits in Montana (Pat Connell)**

[SB32](#) – **Repeal community renewable energy project requirements (Keith Regier)**

Senate Finance and Claims – Room 317, 1:30pm – Hearing will begin at 1:30 pm or upon the adjournment of the Senate Floor Session

[SB57](#) – **Clarify highway patrol funding sources and increase certain registration fees (Mark Blasdel)**

Senate Fish and Game – Room 422, 3pm

[SB74](#) – Authorize FWP commission to require barbless hooks in catch-and-release waters (Pat Connell)

[SB91](#) – Clarify what constitutes as shooting from a vehicle for hunting purposes (Jedediah Hinkle)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 10am

[SB9](#) – Provide for primary enforcement of seatbelt laws (Dick Barrett)

Senate Taxation – Room 405, 9am

[SB53](#) – **Repeal biodiesel production incentive (Llew Jones)**

[SB85](#) – **Submitting a 6-mill levy for support of the Montana University System to voters (Mary Moe)**

House Agriculture – Room 137, 3pm

[HB157](#) – Removing restrictions on possession of domestically-bred foxes (Forrest Mandeville)

[HB158](#) – Revise commercial fertilizer assessment laws (Rob Cook)

House Appropriations – Room 102, 3pm

[HB203](#) – **Provide supplemental funding to department of transportation (Greg Hertz)**

House Business and Labor – Room 172, 8:30am

[HB120](#) – Revise insurance laws pertaining to NAIC accreditation (Jacob Bachmeier)

[HB127](#) – Provide phased-in revisions for pump dispenser, meter testing (Ray Shaw)

[HB145](#) – Adopt NAIC model legislation regarding Annuities (Zach Brown)

House Fish, Wildlife and Parks – Room 152, 3pm

[HB97](#) – Increase block management landowner payment cap (Denley Loge)

[HB164](#) – Revise distribution of base hunting license revenue (Kelly Flynn)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government – Room 350, 8am

[HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (Legislative Audit Division fixed costs; Inflation/Deflation)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services – Room 102, 8am

[HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (Medicaid and Health Services Administration, Health Resources Division)

House Joint Appropriations/Finance and Claims Subcommittee Long-Range Planning – Room 317B, 8:30am

[HB6](#) – Renewable resource grants (Jim Keane)

[HB7](#) – Reclamation and development grants (Jim Keane)

[HB8](#) – Renewable resource bonds and loans (Jim Keane)

House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Transportation – Room 317C, 8:30am

[HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) (Department of Natural Resources and Conservation)

House Joint Appropriations/Finance and Claims Subcommittee on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement and Justice – Room 317A, 8am

[HB2](#) – General Appropriations Act (Nancy Ballance) – Department of Justice

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[HB133](#) – Generally revise sentencing laws (Nate McConnell)

[HB165](#) – Revise punitive damage laws (Greg Hertz)

[HB202](#) – Generally revise laws related to government employees and officers (Kirk Wagoner)

House Legislative Administration – Room 472, 2pm

[HB100](#) – Revise legislative objection polling for administrative rulemaking process (Bryce Bennett)

House Local Government – Room 172, 3pm

[HB200](#) – Revise laws regarding shared equity properties (Dave Fern)

House State Administration – Room 455, 9am

[HB79](#) – Modify when a military member may be turned over to civil authorities for trial (Willis Curdy)

[HB136](#) – Actuarial funding for the Gamer Wardens’ and Peach Officers’ Retirement System (Geraldine Custer)

[HB155](#) – Eliminate election day as state holiday (Greg Hertz)

House Taxation – Room 152, 8am

[HB18](#) – Revise tax lien and tax deed laws (Tom Jacobson)

~~[HB30](#) – Remove voted levies approved after creation of TIF from tax increment provision (Jeff Essmann)~~ **Hearing Cancelled**

[HB74](#) – Revise property reappraisal laws (Greg Hertz)

[HB76](#) – Amend laws related to remittance of tax increment (Greg Hertz)

Friday – January 13 – Legislative Day 10 – Draft Deadlines – Floor Amendments – Add/Delete Sponsors

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 8am

[SB72](#) – Create presumptive illness for firefighters (Pat Connell)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 10am

[SB92](#) – Allow for proxy decision-making in medical care (Albert Olszewski)

House Business and Labor – Room 172, 8:30am

[HB160](#) – Assign warranty responsibility to registered contractor for work under contract (Dennis Lenz)

[HB166](#) – Revising laws related to donation of game meat for nonprofit meal distribution (Jeremy Trebas)

[HB172](#) – Generally revise telephone cooperative laws (Ross Fitzgerald)

House Human Services – Room 152, 3pm

[HB24](#) – Providing protections to vulnerable persons from financial exploitation (Ron Ehli)

[HB139](#) – Revise adult protective services (Moffie Funk)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[HB46](#) – Generally revising funding for civil legal aid (Kimberly Dudik)

[HB64](#) – Revise child abuse diversion project laws (Kimberly Dudik)

[HB168](#) – Provide for expungement of criminal records for misdemeanors (Zach Brown)

House Natural Resources – Room 172, 3pm

[HB99](#) – Limit adverse effects analysis (Zach Brown)

[HB104](#) – Statutory appropriation for Ground Water Investigation Program (Carl Glimm)

[HB107](#) – Establish Surface Water Assessment and Monitoring Program (Carl Glimm)

House State Administration – Room 455, 9am

[HB39](#) – Adopting the most recent federal laws applicable to the National Guard (Jacob Bachmeier)

House Taxation – Room 152, 8am

[HB112](#) – Revise uniform dispute review procedures for collection of delinquent taxes (Dave Fern)

Monday – January 16 – Legislative Day 11

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 8am

[SB69](#) – Create task force to study public employee health benefits (Mary Moe)

Senate Natural Resources – Room 303, 3pm

[SB42](#) – Revise the major facility siting act (Dick Barrett)

House Business and Labor – Room 172, 8:30am

- [HB169](#) – Raise minimum wage in Montana (Mary Ann Dunwell)
- [HB179](#) – Clarify failure to return rental-purchase item not subject to criminal liability (Jean Price)
- [HB198](#) – Revise distribution of death certificate fee increase (Kirk Wagoner)

House Energy, Technology, and Federal Relations – Room 472, 3pm

- [HB21](#) – Establish benefits and retirement security task force (Jim Keane)

House Human Services – Room 152, 3pm

- [HB177](#) – Revise administration of immunization laws (Janet Ellis)
- [HB195](#) – Revise laws related to pharmacies and prescription drugs (Kenneth Holmlund)
- [HB201](#) – Provide for appointment of court-appointed special advocate as guardian ad litem (Rob Cook)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

- [HB62](#) – Department of Revenue to collect fees for public defender services (Randy Brodehl)
- [HB70](#) – Strengthening guardianship services and creating a WINGS group (Jessica Karjala)
- [HB77](#) – Revise public defender system and provide for a director hired by governor (Randy Brodehl)

House Natural Resources – Room 172, 3pm

- [HB124](#) – Require education program for water commissioners (Sharon Stewart-Peregoy)
- [HB140](#) – Clarify water commissioner appointments (Sharon Stewart-Peregoy)

House Transportation – Room 455, 3pm

- [HB152](#) – Authorize counties to establish junk vehicle capital improvement funds (Tom Welch)
- [HB180](#) – Restrict cell phone use in work and school zones (Denley Loge)
- [HB205](#) – Revise tax laws related to vehicles (Alan Redfield)

Tuesday – January 17 – Legislative Day 12 – Last day to request General Bills and Resolutions

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 8am

- [SB59](#) – Generally revise criminal justice laws (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB60](#) – Generally revise criminal justice laws (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB61](#) – Require certain facilities providing behavioral health services to be licensed by DPHHS (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB63](#) – Revise laws related to supervision of offenders/defendants (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB64](#) – Generally revise laws related to the board of pardons and parole (Cynthia Wolken)

Wednesday – January 18 – Legislative Day 13

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 8am

- [SB75](#) – Establish a Montana trade center in Calgary (Dee Brown)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 8am

- [SB65](#) – Generally revise laws regarding housing options for offenders (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB66](#) – Generally revise the crime victims compensation act (Cynthia Wolken)
- [SB67](#) – Generally revise offender intervention program laws (Cynthia Wolken)

[SJ3](#) – Interim study of tribal resources for mbrs involved in criminal justice system (Cynthia Wolken)