











Weekly Committee Schedule for SAM Tracked Bills ...

Monday 3-20-17 – Legislative Day 58



House Education Committee

Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
20-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	HB 563  	Establishing Montana preschool grant program	Kathy Kelker (D) HD 47	Proponent
20-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 139  	Revise k-12 school district expansion laws	Duane Ankney (R) SD 20	Monitor
20-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 226  	Generally revise summer school bus transportation laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	Proponent
20-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 227  	Revise state school transportation reimbursement laws	Jill Cohenour (D) SD 42	Proponent

Senate Education & Cultural Resources Committee





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20-MAR-17	3:00 PM	422	HB 298  	Emphasize sexual abuse awareness and prevention in elementary schools	Edward Greef (R) HD 88	Monitor

House Appropriations Committee

Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
20-MAR-17	8:00 AM	102	HB 5  	Long-range building appropriations	Jim Keane (D) HD 73	Monitor



Tuesday 3-21-17 – Legislative Day 59

House Appropriations Committee

Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
21-MAR-17	8:00 AM	102	HB 13  	State employee pay plan	Moffie Funk (D) HD 82	Monitor
21-MAR-17	8:00 AM	102	HB 4  	Appropriations by budget amendment	Nancy Ballance (R) HD 87	Monitor



Wednesday 3-22-17 – Legislative Day 60

House Education Committee



Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
22-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 124  	Extend school district bond term	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) SD 38	Proponent

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22-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 135  	Generally revise laws related to first aid training in schools	Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D) SD 38	Monitor
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House Judiciary Committee



Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
22-MAR-17	8:00 AM	137	SB 99  	Prohibit enforcement of new federal gun laws by Montana public employees	Cary Smith (R) SD 27	Opponent

Senate State Administration Committee

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22-MAR-17	3:00 PM	335	HB 401  	Revise local gov't and school district campaign reporting laws	Derek Skees (R) HD 11	Monitor
22-MAR-17	3:00 PM	335	HB 514  	Rename school commemoration of Columbus Day to Montana Heritage Day	Bridget Smith (D) HD 31	Monitor



Thursday 3-23-17 – Legislative Day 61

House Appropriations Committee



Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
23-MAR-17	10:30 AM	102	SB 261  	Generally revise state fiscal laws	Llew Jones (R) SD 9	Proponent

Friday 3-24-17 – Legislative Day 62

House Education Committee















Date	Time	Room	Bill Type - Number	Short Title	Primary Sponsor	Comments
24-MAR-17	3:00 PM	137	SB 242  	Encourage high schools to administer civics test	Sue Malek (D) SD 46	Opponent

House Judiciary Committee



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24-MAR-17	8:00 AM	137	SB 17  	Revise laws related to juvenile offenders and registration as sex offender	Nels Swandal (R) SD 30	Monitor

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Weekly Schedule By Committee for All Bills ...

NEW INFORMATION IN RED -- The below information is time sensitive and can change very rapidly so if you have specific bills that you are following – please go onto the Legislative website to check.

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Upcoming Hearings

Monday – March 20 – Legislative Day 58

Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs – Room 422, 9am

[HB531](#) – Revise outdoor advertising laws (Shane Morigeau)

Senate Education and Cultural Resources – Room 422, 3pm

[HB298](#) – Emphasize sexual abuse awareness and prevention in elementary schools (Edward Greef)

Senate Local Government – Room 405, 3pm

[HB407](#) – Revise sanitation in subdivisions rule requirements (Adam Hertz)

[HB455](#) – Review non-degradation rules for subdivisions (Forrest Mandeville)

[HB456](#) – Clarify time lines for subdivision review (Forrest Mandeville)

[HB510](#) – Revise exemptions from sanitation in subdivisions review (Adam Hertz)

Senate Natural Resources – Room 303, 3pm

[SB342](#) – **Good neighbor forestry to encourage economic development (Chas Vincent)**

[HB481](#) – Authorize local government to take action on wildfires (Bob Brown)

[HB555](#) – Terminate Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission (Nancy Ballance)

[HJ9](#) – Resolution supporting the release of certain wilderness study areas (Kerry White)

Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety – Room 317, 3pm

- [HB458](#) – Oversight of care for former MDC patients (Kirk Wagoner) – Rescheduled for 3/27
- [HB387](#) – Authorize establishment of a 12-bed intensive behavioral center (Kirk Wagoner)
- [HB469](#) – Revise laws related to choice of practitioners (Lola Sheldon-Galloway)
- [HB476](#) – Provide for physician assistant supervision of medical assistants (Denise Hayman)
- [HB495](#) – Revise laws concerning the discharge of patients from mental health facilities (Mary Ann Dunwell)

Senate State Administration – Room 335, 3pm

- [HB255](#) – Revise laws related to the governor’s use of state aircraft (Brad Tschida)
- [HB283](#) – Require agencies to report grant information (Tom Burnett)
- [HB333](#) – Adopt the Help Save Lives from Overdose Act (Frank Garner)
- [HB383](#) – Provide actuarial required funding for Sheriff’s Retirement System (Geraldine Custer)
- [HJ12](#) – Resolution encouraging Congress to require audit of Pentagon and Fed Reserve (Andrea Olsen)

House Appropriations – Room 102, 8am

- [HB5](#) – Long-range building appropriations (Jim Keane)
- [HB6](#) – Renewable resource grants (Jim Keane)
- [HB7](#) – Reclamation and development grants (Jim Keane)

House Appropriations – Room 102, 3pm

- [HB8](#) – Renewable resource bonds and loans (Jim Keane)
- [HB9](#) – Cultural and aesthetic grants (Tom Woods)
- [HB11](#) – Treasure state endowment program (Jim Keane)

House Education – Room 137, 3pm

- [HB563](#) – Establishing Montana preschool grant program (Kathy Kelker)

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

- [SB154](#) – Revise net metering incentives (Mike Lang)
- [HB585](#) – Provide for loans to an owner of a coal-fired generating unit (Austin Knudsen)

House Human Services – Room 152, 3pm

- [SB272](#) – Revising laws related to assisted care facility licensing and mental health (Roger Webb)
- [SB321](#) – Revise laws concerning use of cadavers in medical and nursing education (Albert Olszewski)
- [HJ16](#) – Interim study of homelessness reduction (Shane Morigeau)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

- [SB20](#) – Revise court administrator laws to eliminate IT reporting requirement (Nels Swandal)
- [SB81](#) – Generally revise coroner laws (Nels Swandal)
- [SB90](#) – Remove mandatory jail for driving on suspended or revoked license (Nels Swandal)
- [SB310](#) – Revise laws related to criminal jurisdiction on the Flathead Indian Reservation (Lea Whitford)

House Natural Resources – Room 172, 3pm

- [SB314](#) – Revise off-highway vehicle/recreational vehicle laws (Chas Vicent)
- [HB584](#) – Expand state reservation of waters (Bradley Hamlett)
- [HB587](#) – Provide for certified prescribed burning (Ray Shaw)

House Transportation – Room 455, 3pm

[SB196](#) – Revise transportation laws related to traffic violations in work zones (Steve Fitzpatrick)

Tuesday – March 21 – Legislative Day 59

Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation – Room 303, 3pm

[HB325](#) – Create exemption for raw milk producers (Nancy Ballance)

[HB352](#) – Provide for the Montana Local Food Choice Act (Greg Hertz)

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

[SB346](#) – Establish the small business retirement program (Terry Gauthier)

[HB402](#) – Generally revise laws on storage units/rentals (Jeff Essmann)

Senate Energy and Telecommunications – Room 317, 3pm

[HB193](#) – Revise utility electric cost recovery (Tom Woods)

[HB475](#) – Requiring certain utilities to file general rate cases (Tom Woods)

Senate Finance and Claims – Room 317, 8am

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

Senate Highways and Transportation – Room 405, 3pm

[SB336](#) – Revise temporary registration permits (Gordon Vance)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 9am

[HB280](#) – Allow Legislators to conceal carry handguns on state property (Randy Brodehl)

[HB306](#) – Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Act (Bill Harris)

Senate Taxation – Room 405, 9am

[HB187](#) – Establish an angel investor/venture capital tax credit (Jim Hamilton)

[SB347](#) – Revise business related travel expense deductions (Jedediah Hinkle)

House Agriculture – Room 137, 3pm

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

House Appropriations – Room 102, 8am

[HB4](#) – Appropriations by budget amendment (Nancy Ballance)

[HB13](#) – State employee pay plan (Moffie Funk)

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

[SB212](#) – Revise mature defensive driving laws (Jill Cohenour)

[SB243](#) – Revise Montana mortgage act to create an exemption for certain loan originators (Pat Connell)

[SB312](#) – Revise laws relating to prescription drug use (Jeffrey Welborn)

[SJ13](#) – Joint resolution urging Congress to address air ambulance balance billing issues (Tom Facey)

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

[SB213](#) – Clarify Smith river corridor funding (Jill Cohenour)

[SB214](#) – Allow limited spear fishing of game fish (Jill Cohenour)

[HB568](#) – Revise laws related to nonresident hunting (Kerry White)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[SB45](#) – Revise drug and mental health treatment court laws (Margaret MacDonald)

[SB71](#) – Provide for an intervention hearing for parolees (Jen Gross)

[SB118](#) – Provide for uniform act regarding fiduciary access to digital assets (Mary McNally)

House Legislative Administration – Room 472, 4pm

[SB279](#) – Generally revise legislative bill drafting process laws (Chas Vincent)

[SB295](#) – Require federalism training for certain state employees (Jennifer Fielder)

House State Administration – Room 455, 9am

[SB240](#) – Revise laws related to legislator healthcare benefits (Edward Buttrey)

[SB274](#) – Revise and clarify special purpose district election laws (Edward Buttrey)

[SB303](#) – Revise Montana veteran home loan program laws (Edward Buttrey)

House Taxation – Room 152, 8am

[SB180](#) – **Revise laws regarding taxation of certain airlines (Mike Lang)**

[HB579](#) – Referendum allowing counties to mill for local infrastructure projects (Greg Hertz)

[HB583](#) – Revise property taxes for forest land with residential or commercial use (Kerry White)

[HB588](#) – **Provide income taxpayers with an opportunity for a fresh start (Adam Hertz)**

[HJ18](#) – Legislative interim study on tax increment financing (Adam Hertz)

Wednesday – March 22 – Legislative Day 60 – Transmittal of Revenue- Estimating Joint Resolution – Last day to request Study Resolutions

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

[HB462](#) – **Alcohol licenses for community colleges and MUS units for educational purposes (Frank Garner)**

[HB541](#) – Revise small brewery laws (Adam Hertz)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 9am

[HB348](#) – Generally revise tenant landlords laws (Peggy Webb)

[HB494](#) – Generally revise criminal laws (Seth Berglee)

Senate Local Government – Room 405, 3pm

[SB335](#) – Generally revise laws to facilitate public/private partnerships (Jeffrey Welborn)

[HB492](#) – Revise fire service area consolidation (Denise Hayman)

[HB507](#) – Generally revise laws relating to review of sanitation in subdivisions (Forrest Mandeville)

Senate Natural Resources – Room 303, 3pm

[SB337](#) – **Eliminate board of environmental review (Duane Ankney)**

[SB339](#) – **Establishing the coal-fired generating unit remediation act (Duane Ankney)**

[HB339](#) – Revise laws related to exempt appropriations of water (Carl Glimm)

[HB344](#) – Provide funding for coal bed methane protection program (Geraldine Custer)

[HB368](#) – Establish setbacks for wells and lagoons (Walt Sales)

Senate Public Health, Welfare and Safety – Room 317, 3pm

[HB123](#) – Require certain insurance disclosures to minimize surprise bills (Amanda Curtis)

[HB400](#) – Require disclosure of health care prices (Greg Hertz)

[HB517](#) – Require DPHHS to develop a strategic plan to reduce child abuse and neglect (Kimberly Dudik)

Senate State Administration – Room 335, 3pm

[HB401](#) – Revise local gov't and school district campaign reporting laws (Derek Skees)

[HB406](#) – Prohibit former comm. of pol. practices from performing certain work for office (Gerg Hertz)

[HB514](#) – Rename school commemoration of Columbus Day to Montana Heritage Day (Bridget Smith)

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

[SB298](#) – Revise workers compensation relating to religious individuals and entities (Ryan Osmundson)

[SB309](#) – Revise economic development laws related to Indian country, tourism (Lea Whitford)

[SB325](#) – Give safe harbors for employers hiring certain criminals (Brian Hoven)

House Human Services – Room 152, 3pm

[SB233](#) – Revise DPHHS rulemaking on Medicaid services for youth in foster care (Mary Caferro)

[HB572](#) – Establish licensure of eating disorder centers (Alan Redfield)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[SB99](#) – Prohibit enforcement of new federal gun laws by Montana public employees (Cary Smith)

[SB293](#) – Revise interest payments in civil cases (Cary Smith)

[HB571](#) – Create offense of concealing a person's identity (Barry Usher)

Thursday – March 23 – Legislative Day 61

Senate Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation – Room 303, 3pm

[HB444](#) – Redirect Jefferson Slough fund distribution for milfoil mitigation (Ray Shaw)

Senate Energy and Telecommunications – Room 317, 3pm

[HB219](#) – Revise net metering laws (Zach Brown)

Senate Judiciary – Room 303, 9am

[HB351](#) – Revise laws relating to permanency of youth in foster care (Kimberly Dudik)

[HB404](#) – Generally revise laws related to rentals (Lola Sheldon-Galloway)

House Agriculture – Room 137, 3pm

[SB285](#) – Establish the Montana Pulse Crop Committee (Mike Lang)

[SJ19](#) – Resolution requesting removal of brucella abortus from federal list (Mike Phillips)

House Appropriations – Room 102, 8am

[SB261](#) – Generally revise state fiscal laws (Llew Jones)

[HB365](#) – Revise underground utility laws (Ray Shaw)

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

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

[SB116](#) – Disallowing workers' compensation benefits for certain false statements (Mark Blasdel)

[SB245](#) – Generally revise Montana captive insurance laws (Daniel Salomon)

[HB582](#) – Montana pet breeders act (Greg Hertz)

House Judiciary – Room 137, 8am

[SB305](#) – Specifying how election to fill U.S. representative vacancy will be conducted (Steve Fitzpatrick)

[HB477](#) – Revise laws related to adolescent treatment facilities (Ellie Hill Smith)

[SJ15](#) – Resolution opposing a proposed Montana Supreme Court rule (David Howard)