

MUS Bill Tracking (as of 2/6/09)

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 2/11
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) Hearing -- (H) State Administration, increase in employer contribution from 5.9% to 6.9%
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CC Establishment

SB 41	Dave Lewis	Clarify community college district approval process	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing scheduled for 2/9
SJ 2	Dave Lewis	Study community college establishment process	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing scheduled for 2/9
SJ 12	Rick Laible	Approve Bitterroot valley community college	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources; hearing scheduled for 2/11

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	Transmitted to House
SJ 8	Bob Hawks	Urge development of K-20 education shared policy goals	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing scheduled for 2/9
SJ 9	David E Wanzenried	Study student loan system	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (S) Education and Cultural Resources

Other

HB 185	Bill Nooney	Allow tax deduction for other states college saving plans	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading
HB 355	Edith (Edie) McClafferty	Fund math and science academy at Montana Tech	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Education; hearing scheduled for 2/11
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 14	Bill Nooney	General obligation bonds for state government	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources
SB 329	Gregory D Barkus	Revise automobile licensing and insurance laws	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Highways and Transportation