

The Montana Chamber of Commerce Presents



2011 VOTING REVIEW

62nd Montana Legislature and Governor



The Montana Chamber of Commerce is pleased to present the 2011 Voting Review for the 62nd Session of the Montana Legislature and the Governor. This review is the most comprehensive look at the business and economic issues addressed during the 90-day session. In fact, our prior Voting Reviews have been nationally recognized as a model for other state and local chambers of commerce. Our intent in releasing the review is to provide our members and Montana voters with information on pro-business bills, anti-business bills, and how legislators and the Governor voted on both.

Every voting study has a degree of subjectivity, and this report is no different. It is impossible, or at least very impractical, to report on each of the hundreds of bills the Chamber followed. Neither can any voting record tell the entire story of a legislator's attitude and actions on issues important to business. We try and select bills that were very important not only to the Montana Chamber, but to the business community as a whole. This review includes the most bills of any review in the state from any statewide organization.

Montana's employers are the fabric of our communities. They take risks every day to keep Montana's economy working. Many legislators tried to add to those risks as we dealt with a number of anti-business bills. However, the business community worked together and was able to stop the vast majority of those efforts to increase taxes, expand government regulation, decrease availability of health insurance, and mandate employment policies best left to a free and competitive marketplace. We also successfully promoted our proactive, positive changes as outlined in our Montana Chamber "Jobs Plan."

We thank our 150 citizen legislators and the Executive Branch. Whether we agree or disagree on any particular business issue, we have the utmost respect and appreciation for every lawmaker. Legislators especially spend countless hours wading through hundreds of proposals, balancing competing interests, debating the issues that face the state, and voting for what they believe is best for their constituents and our state. We are grateful for their service to Montana.

We also thank you, the members, for your investment in us. Your participation allows us to represent your business in Helena. We look forward to continuing toward our goal of making Montana an even better place to do business.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Webb Scott Brown".

President/CEO
Montana Chamber of Commerce

Recap of the 62nd Legislative Session

The 62nd Regular Session of the Legislature was much different than previous sessions due to a variety of factors. The state and national economies were still mired with uncertainty after the worst recession in a generation. Projected revenues were expected to fall short of proposed expenditures with no prospect of a federal stimulus bill. Although Montana was only one of a few states in the country that didn't see a budget shortfall in the last biennium, the main budget debates of 2011 revolved around the issue of whether the Governor presented a structurally balanced budget or one that relied too heavily on one-time money and intra-state fund transfers.

In addition, this session was unlike other recent ones because control of both houses was solidly in the GOP corner. In the November elections, Republicans gained seats to give them a 28-22 majority in the state Senate and a 68-32 supermajority in the state House. With Democratic Governor Schweitzer in his final two years in office, the stage was set for some significant battles over a range of issues.

The Montana Chamber came to the 62nd Session armed with a number of proactive ideas to move Montana toward long-term, sustainable growth. We dubbed our collection of good business ideas the Montana Chamber "Jobs Plan." The plan included a number of pro-business ideas in the area of workers' compensation reform, natural resource development, legal reforms, health care, help for small businesses, good government reforms, and taxes.

One of the biggest issues the Montana Chamber tackled was workers' compensation reform. Montana employers are currently paying the highest work comp premiums in the country, which hurts wages, reduces other benefits, impacts profitability, and puts our state at a competitive disadvantage. We have highlighted the issue for years, and legislators finally responded with bold proposals to overhaul the system. Our efforts paid off as lawmakers came to a bi-partisan agreement that earned the support of the Governor.

As always, the Montana Chamber also focused on legislation that has a significant impact on small businesses. As part of our pro-active agenda, we helped introduce two bills that would require the state government to study the impacts of proposed rules and proposed laws on small businesses. We were successful in clarifying medical marijuana laws to give employers better protections against frivolous lawsuits. We were also successful in securing tax relief for Montana businesses through reductions in the business equipment tax.

While we may have not passed all of our pro-jobs reforms, we were very effective in preventing the passage of most bills we opposed. The number of bad bills that would increase taxes, regulation, liability, and other costs were ever-present, but we took steps throughout the session to make sure they never made it into law.

In short, the 2011 Legislature is one that Montana businesses can be proud of. More pro-jobs, pro-business bills were passed this session than in last 10 years combined.



Jon Bennion talking to Rep. Jesse O'Hara of Great Falls about Montana Chamber priorities

Methodology Behind the Business Score

Following the last two nationally recognized Voting Reviews, we have again compiled an extensive review of the Montana Legislature and Governor. We started by selecting a number of floor votes from each legislative chamber. We have assigned different points for floor votes since some bills are more important than others. We also looked at the votes of members who sat on important business-related committees, such as Business & Labor, Taxation, Natural Resources, Judiciary, and more. And finally, we added points for legislators who introduced pro-business bills and subtracted points for legislators who introduced anti-business bills.

Using all these factors allows the Montana Chamber to more accurately reflect an individual lawmaker's overall friendliness to business, economic development, and job creation legislation. Here is how the Legislative Business Score was calculated:

FLOOR VOTES: On floor votes, legislators earned between 1 and 15 points for each bill when the legislator supported the Chamber position. If a bill is assigned a higher point value, it indicates the bill was more important. No points were awarded for votes against the Chamber position. For bills debated on the House or Senate floor, this Review usually used third reading votes as taken from the House and Senate journals. The third reading vote is the last vote on each bill, and represents a legislator's final decision on any matter before them. If a legislator was absent or excused for third reading, we went back and looked at how the legislator voted on second reading. Those second reading votes are noted with an asterisk.

SPONSORSHIP POINTS: For bill sponsorship, two points were awarded for a legislator who sponsored a pro-business bill that was supported by the Chamber. If a legislator sponsored an anti-business bill that was opposed by the Chamber, two points were subtracted. Although this may mathematically lead to some legislators having a score of more than 100% or less than 0%, all scores awarded fall within the range of 0% - 100%.

COMMITTEE VOTES: On committee votes, legislators were given one point for each bill when the legislator supported the Chamber position. No points were awarded for votes against the Chamber position. If a legislator did not sit on the evaluated committee, it did not affect the legislator's score.

P-BASE DISTRICT SCORE: We also included the Power Base (P-base) number for each district to the right of the committee scores. The P-base number is an indication of each legislative district's level of support for business as measured by the 2008 scientific P-base poll of 800 Montana voters (4.1% margin of error). A higher number reflects a more pro-business attitude among voters in the district. Those legislators who have scores in the same range as their district's P-base score are most likely representing their district according to the opinions of their constituents.

BUSINESS SCORE: Every legislator has a different number of points possible depending on committee assignments and bill sponsorship. A legislator's individual points earned were divided by the total points possible for that legislator. This final number is the legislator's Business Score. While this score does not encompass all votes on business issues, it is a very reliable indicator of what level of priority the lawmaker puts on business issues vs. other issues.

Most lawmakers do not get the thanks they deserve for their sacrifice and hard work. This is especially true of those legislators who stand up for business and economic development. Last session, we decided to do more to recognize the many legislators who are reliable voices for job creation, free enterprise and entrepreneurship. Here is a list of the awards we are giving out over the next year:

MONTANA CHAMBER "MOST-VALUABLE POLICYMAKER" (MVP) AWARD: The Montana Chamber will recognize a legislator for exceptional service to business with a "Most-Valuable Policymaker" (MVP) award. This award is reserved for a



legislator who tirelessly worked to create more jobs in the private sector with positive legislation that improves Montana's business climate. To be considered for the "Most-Valuable Policymaker" award, we used the following criteria: (1) the legislator must have a higher Business Score than the P-base District score, which is the indicator of how pro-business the legislator's constituents are; (2) no sponsorship of anti-business legislation; (3) the legislator must have supported the Montana Chamber's top priorities of this session; and (4) the legislator must have either sponsored a major piece of pro-business legislation that was a top priority of the Montana Chamber. Here is the recipient of the "Most-Valuable Policymaker" award:

MOST VALUABLE POLICYMAKER (MVP): Rep. Scott Reichner (Bigfork)

Rep. Scott Reichner

MONTANA CHAMBER "CHAMPION OF BUSINESS" AWARD: The Montana Chamber will recognize a handful of legislators in each house of the legislature throughout the interim break with its "Champion of Business" award. To be considered for the "Champion of Business" award, we used the following criteria: (1) the legislator must have a higher Business Score than the P-base District score, which is the indicator of how pro-business the legislator's constituents are; (2) no sponsorship of anti-business legislation; (3) the legislator must have supported the top three Montana Chamber priorities; and (4) the legislator must have either sponsored a piece of pro-business legislation or carried a pro-business bill on the floor. Here are the recipients of the Montana Chamber "Champion of Business" award:

SENATE : Essmann, Moore, Peterson, Priest, Tutvedt, Vincent, Walker

HOUSE : Bennett, Fitzpatrick, MacLaren, Milburn, Knudsen, C. Smith, Vance

MONTANA CHAMBER "HONORABLE MENTION" AWARD: Finally, we will also recognize legislators who helped out the Montana Chamber in some way and voted more often than not with business for their strong commitments. To be considered for the Montana Chamber "Honorable Mention" award, we used the following criteria: (1) the legislator must have a Business Score within 10 percentage points of the P-base District score, which is the indicator of how pro-business the legislator's constituents are; (2) the legislator must have supported HB 334 and HB 43, which were two of the Montana Chamber's top priorities; and (3) other factors including pro-business floor speeches, sponsorship of pro-business or anti-business legislation, or carrying a pro-business or anti-business bill on the floor. Here are the recipients of the Montana Chamber "Honorable Mention" award:

EXECUTIVE: Lt. Governor John Bohlinger

SENATE : Arthun, Balyeat, Barrett, Brendan, Brown, Buttrey, Hamlett, Hinkle, Hutton, Jackson, Jones, Lake, Lewis, Mowbray, Murphy, Olson, Ripley, Shockley, Sonju, Steinbeisser, Wittich, Zinke

HOUSE : Ankney, Arntzen, Bangerter, Beck, Berry, Blasdel, Blyton, Brodehl, Burnett, Clark, Connell, Cuffe, Ehli, Esp, Evans, Flynn, Gibson, Greef, Hansen, Harris, Hendrick, Hiner, Hollandsworth, Howard, Hunter, Ingraham, Kary, Klock, Knox, Lavin, Loney, McChesney, McGillvray, McNiven, McNutt, Miller, O'Hara, O'Neil, Osmundson, Peterson, Randall, Read, Regier, Roberts, Rosendale, Salomon, Sands, Skattum, Skees, Small, Stahl, Taylor, Washburn, Welborn, Yates

HB 334
(Rep. REICHNER - BIGFORK)
Work Comp Reforms

HB 334 was one of the Chamber's top priorities for the session. The bill will reduce work comp premiums to employers over the coming years by addressing the main cost drivers in the system

through claim closure, claim settlement, return-to-work/stay-at-work programs, revisions to course and scope law, implementation of utilization and treatment guidelines and more. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to pass the bill. The House passed the bill on third reading. The Senate passed the bill 45-5 as amended on third reading. The House concurred with the Senate amendments 95-5, which is the vote used for House members' scores. The Governor signed the bill. This vote is worth 15 points.

HB 43
(Rep. MACLAREN - VICTOR)
MEDICAL MARIJUANA REFORMS
FOR EMPLOYERS

HB 43 was another one of the Chamber's top priorities this session. The bill's main goals were to strengthen employer rights in workplace situations involving medical marijuana, prohibiting wrongful discharge and discrimination lawsuits based on the medical marijuana act, expanding drug testing laws, ensuring that insurers don't have to pay for medical marijuana as a treatment, and more. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to pass the bill. The House passed the bill and the Senate amended the bill. A Free conference Committee met and amended it, which passed the Senate 34-16 and the House 99-0. The Governor signed the bill. This vote is worth 10 points.

SB 372
(Sen. TUTVEDT - KALISPELL)
BUSINESS EQUIPMENT TAX RELIEF

SB 372 would have lowered the business equipment tax by creating a new 2% rate on the first two million dollars of business equipment. This would have been a true exemption instead of a threshold, thereby providing relief to all business

equipment tax payers. In addition, the rate would have been lowered to 1.5% on the first three million dollars of business equipment tax if the state saw growth in personal income and corporate income tax collections. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The Senate passed the bill 28-22 on third reading. The House passed the amended bill 68-32 on third reading. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 10 points.



*Webb Brown meets with Senate
President Jim Peterson of Buffalo*

HB 100
(Rep. VANCE - BELGRADE)
SMALL BUSINESS CONSIDERATION
ACT

HB 100 was a bill aimed at addressing the disconnect between state government and the private sector. The bill would allow 25 legislators to request that a business impact analysis be conducted on the effects a proposed bill may have

on the private sector. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to pass the bill. The House passed the bill 66-32 on third reading. The Senate passed the bill as amended 34-16 on third reading. The House concurred with the Senate amendments 73-25, which is the vote used for House members' scores. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 5 points.

HB 198
(Rep. PETERSON - BILLINGS)
EMINENT DOMAINE REVISIONS

HB 198 remedies a private electrical transmission company's eminent domain powers after a district court ruled that Montana law does not provide for such powers. The bill would simply restore the eminent domain provisions in law for electrical transmission companies, thereby allowing Montana to continue to build transmission lines. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The House passed the bill 69-30 on third reading. The Senate Energy and Telecom Committee tabled the bill. The Senate blasted the bill out of the committee and passed it 28-22 on third reading. The Governor issued an amendatory veto, but it was not acted on by the Legislature. The Governor allowed the bill to become law without his signature. This vote is worth 5 points.

HB 341
(Rep. SMITH - BILLINGS)
PRE/POST-JUDGMENT INTEREST

HB 341 was a legal reform measure that updated Montana's laws on pre/post-judgment interest in tort lawsuits. Montana fixed the interest rate at 10% back in 1985, but the prime rate average has been much lower since. This unnecessarily discourages defendants from appealing their cases. The bill fixed the rate at the prime rate plus two

percent. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to pass the bill. The House passed the bill 97-2 on third reading. The Senate passed the amended bill 27-23 on third reading. The House concurred with the Senate amendments 72-26, which is the vote used for House members' scores. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 5 points.

HB 342 **(Rep. SMITH - BILLINGS)** **APPEAL BOND CAPS**

HB 342 was another legal reform bill meant to remove an obstacle for a defendant's appeal of a tort judgment. Montana courts can fix the appeal bond at an amount that is equal or greater than the judgment itself. This may cause some businesses to file for bankruptcy just to appeal a case. The bill sets appeal bond caps in place of \$5 million for individuals or small businesses (100 employees or less) and \$50 million for larger businesses. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to pass the bill. The House passed the bill 96-3 on third reading. The Senate passed the bill 28-20 on third reading. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 5 points.

SB 201 **(Sen. WALKER - BILLINGS)** **SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY** **FLEXIBILITY ACT**

SB 201 creates an affirmative duty for state agencies to look at impacts to small business before passing new rules or regulations. Forty-two other states and the federal government have passed similar laws and have saved the small business community considerable money and grief. The Montana Chamber led a coalition of supporters to

pass the bill. The Senate passed the bill 31-19 on third reading. The House passed the amended bill 84-9 on third reading. The Senate concurred with the House amendment 29-20, which is the vote used for Senate members' scores. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 5 points.

SB 233 **(Sen. Keane - Butte)** **Revise Environmental Impact Laws**

SB 233 would encourage more responsible natural resource development by revising the Montana Environmental Protection Act. It clarifies the law by stating issues raised by an environmental impact statement cannot be the basis of a court challenge to a project. More resource development will create jobs and provide additional revenue to the state and schools. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The Senate passed the bill 30-20 on third reading. The House passed the amended bill 76-24 on third reading. The Senate concurred with the House amendments 32-18, which is the vote used for Senate members' scores. The Governor allowed the bill to become law without his signature. This vote is worth 5 points.

HB 275 **(Rep. REICHNER - BIGFORK)** **DEDUCTION OF ECONOMIC** **CONSUMPTION**

HB 275 is a medical malpractice reform that would bring down rates for doctors' malpractice insurance. The bill states that if damages are awarded in a malpractice claim for a deceased or disabled party's lost future earnings, the deceased or disabled party's economic consumption, which is what the person would have spent on basic necessities and personal expenditures, must be deducted from the award. The Montana Chamber

supported the bill. The House passed the bill 50-49 on third reading. The Senate failed to pass the bill 24-25 on third reading. This vote is worth 3 points.



*Jon Bennion discusses legal reforms with
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick of Great Falls*



Webb Brown discusses medical marijuana reforms with Rep. Diane Sands of Missoula

HB 555

(Rep. FITZPATRICK - GREAT FALLS) NON-DUPLICATION OF BENEFITS in INSURANCE LAW

HB 555 addresses a costly problem for Montana businesses and individuals who purchase insurance: duplication of payments through our tort system. Under current law, a claimant could try and get payment from two different insurers for the same medical bill, thereby increasing the cost of insurance for everyone. This bill remedies that problem. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The House passed the bill 56-42 on third reading. The Senate passed the amended bill 28-22 on third reading, but the vote came after the transmittal deadline. The House failed to garner the two-thirds majority needed to suspend the rules to accept the bill. This vote is worth 3 points.

HB 405

(Rep. TAYLOR - DAYTON) DEFENSIVE MEDICINE REFORMS

HB 405 addresses a huge cost built into healthcare costs and health insurance premiums: defensive medicine. Doctors routinely order additional tests and take unnecessary precautions for the sole purpose of avoiding frivolous litigation. This is something Washington, DC failed to address in its healthcare reform legislation in 2010, and the bill gives a Montana-solution. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The House passed the bill 65-34 on third reading. The Senate passed the amended bill 28-22 on third reading. The House concurred with the amendments 63-36, which is the vote used for the Senate members' scores. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 3 points.

HB 439

(Rep. Hollenbaugh - Helena) Construction Bonding Bill

HB 439 was a bonding bill aimed at the construction of over \$100 million in state government and educational buildings around the state. There was a broad coalition of contractors, business owners, educators, and government employees supporting the bill. Because it created new debt for the state, a two-thirds vote was needed in both the House and Senate. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The Senate passed the bill 36-14 on third reading. On a number of third reading attempts to pass the bill, the House failed to garner the necessary two-thirds. We used the final 60-39 vote on third reading in the House for this review. This vote is worth 3 points.

HB 359

(Rep. VANCE - BELGRADE) SETTLEMENT OF WORK COMP CLAIMS

HB 359 allows for greater freedom for insurers and injured workers to settle workers' compensation claims. According to a national study, Montana has a lower percentage of settled claims, which requires insurers to reserve more money and keep work comp premiums high. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. These changes were also incorporated into HB 334, but were passed before the major workers' compensation reforms were signed into law. The House passed the bill 98-0 and the Senate passed the bill 50-0. The Governor signed the bill. This vote is worth 3 points.



Jon Bennion discusses business equipment tax relief with Rep. Mark Blasdel of Somers

HB 585

(Rep. BENNETT - LIBBY)

PRIVATE ATTORNEY RETENTION SUNSHINE ACT

HB 585 requires greater disclosure and increased requirements for situations when the state hires outside counsel to file lawsuits. Businesses are often the targets of these lawsuits nationwide, so it is important that agreements between the state and law firms are public and subject to reasonable restrictions with legislative oversight. Several other states have passed these measures as part of a broader tort reform effort. The Montana Chamber was the lead proponent of the bill. The House passed the bill 65-32 on third reading. The Senate passed the bill 29-21 on third reading. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 3 points.

SB 370

(Sen. PRIEST - RED LODGE)

HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATE REVISIONS

SB 370 requires the state to test all new health insurance mandates for cost and effectiveness on its own employee plan before it can be passed on to the private sector. Currently, the state employee plan is exempt from complying with several mandates, thereby allowing it to escape the added costs. If a new mandate is important enough for the small businesses to pay for it, the public sector should be ready to pay the costs as well. The Montana Chamber was the lead proponent of the bill. The Senate passed the bill 28-22 on third reading. The House passed the bill 64-34 on third reading. The Governor vetoed the bill. This vote is worth 3 points.



Representative Chuck Hunter of Helena presents one of his study resolutions at a legislative hearing

SB 94

(Sen. Erickson - Missoula)

Water's Edge Tax Bill

The Montana Chamber works hard to ensure our state tax code is consistent with federal law, the law of other states, and generally encourages companies to invest in our state. SB 94 would have made Montana a complete outlier when it comes to treatment of companies that have assets in some foreign countries, including ones that are strong U.S. allies like Ireland and the Netherlands. We would have been only one of two states in the country to have such provisions. The Montana Chamber opposed the bill. The Senate passed the bill 36-14 on third reading. The House failed to pass the bill 37-63 on second reading. This vote is worth 3 points.

HB 598

(Rep. KNUDSEN - CULBERTSON)
REVISIONS TO STATE TAX LAWS

HB 589 conforms our state tax provision on net operating loss carrybacks to the timeframe set in federal law: two years for a net operating loss carryback with a 20 year carry forward. The Montana Chamber supported the bill. The House passed the bill 65-34 on third reading. The bill did not meet the revenue transmittal deadline. This vote is worth 1 point and is only included in the House review since the Senate did not vote on it.

Floor amendment To

HB 334

(Sen. Wanzenried - Missoula)

When HB 334 was brought to the Senate floor, an effort was made to amend the bill, which would have taken out some of the savings to the work comp system by maintaining the current PPD structure. The amendment failed 22-26. This vote is worth 1 point and is only included in the Senate review because the House did not vote on it.

HB 384

(Rep. KERNS - LAUREL)

Revise carrying concealed weapon in prohibited place

HB 384 would have removed longstanding restrictions on carrying a concealed weapon in security-sensitive places, which include business establishments like bars and banks. The House passed the bill 52-47 on third reading. The Senate Judiciary Committee tabled the bill. This vote is worth one point and is only included in the House review because the Senate did not vote on it.

SENATE

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 ✗ - Business Negative Vote

E - Excused
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Chamber Position		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Sponsor Points	Committee Votes	District P-base	BUSINESS SCORE	
Bill #	HB 334	HB 43	SB 372	HB 100	HB 198	HB 341	HB 342	SB 201	SB 233	HB 275	HB 359	HB 405	HB 439	HB 555	HB 585	SB 94	SB 370	AMD 334					
SENATOR	Dist #																						
Arthun, Ron	31	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	-	3/5	55	86%
Augare, Shannon	8	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	0/2	17	28%	
Balyeat, Joe	34	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+4	-	83	96%	
Barrett, Debby	36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+2	-	91	90%	
Blewett, Anders	11	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	1/3	32	29%	
Braanae, Gary	27	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	0/3	33	28%	
Brendan, John	18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	71	91%	
Brown, Taylor	22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	-	-	63	88%	
Buttrey, Ed	13	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+4	2/3	48	100%	
Caferro, Mary	40	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	+2	1/2	42	40%	
Erickson, Ron	47	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-4	0/3	55	18%	
Essmann, Jeff	28	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+4	4/4	60	93%	
Facey, Tom	48	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	13	37%	
Gallus, Steve	37	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	0/1	33	18%	
Gillan, Kim	24	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	0/3	50	31%	
Hamlett, Brad	10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	50	68%	
Hawks, Bob	33	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	15	43%	
Hinkle, Greg	7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	1/1	73	91%	
Hutton, Rowlie	17	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	1/1	45	95%	
Jackson, Verdell	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	-	-	85	93%	
Jent, Larry	32	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	1/1	32	46%	
Jones, Llew	14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+2	1/2	80	89%	
Kaufmann, Christine	41	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-6	0/3	35	5%	
Keane, Jim	38	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	+2	1/2	12	42%	
Lake, Bob	44	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+4	3/3	66	100%	

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Larsen, Cliff	50	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	0/1	37	29%
Lewis, Dave	42	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	90	100%
Moore, Eric	20	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	+2	-	20	90%
Moss, Lynda	26	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	0/2	23	21%
Mowbray, Carmine	6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	-	1/2	55	96%
Murphy, Terry	39	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	+2	1/1	56	99%
Olson, Alan	23	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+2	1/1	90	99%
Peterson, Jim	15	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	-	4/4	95	97%
Priest, Jason	30	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	+2	-	76	93%
Ripley, Rick	9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	85	94%
Shockley, Jim	45	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	-	1/1	78	90%
Sonju, Jon	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	E	+6	2/3	65	97%
Steinbeisser, Don	19	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	81	94%
Stewart-Peregoy, Sharon	21	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	23	12%
Tropila, Mitch	12	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	43	23%
Tutvedt, Bruce	3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+2	5/6	98	98%
Van Dyk, Kendall	25	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	0/3	28	31%
Vincent, Chas	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	+6	4/4	86	100%
Vuckovich, Gene	43	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	1/3	46	48%
Walker, Ed	29	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+2	-	68	93%
Wanzenried, Dave	49	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	1/2	17	43%
Williams, Carol	46	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	-	37	27%
Windy Boy, Jonathan	16	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	-2	-	25	21%
Wittich, Art	35	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	+2	4/4	80	88%
Zinke, Ryan	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+2	1/2	56	92%

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Ankney, Duane	43	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	+2	-	66	90%
Arntzen, Elsie	53	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	3/4	32	98%
Bangerter, Liz	80	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	+2	1/1	35	99%
Barrett, Dick	93	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-2	0/2	12	38%
Beck, Bill	6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	-	88	99%
Belcourt, Tony	32	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	+2	-	27	47%
Bennett, Bryce	92	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-4	-	15	42%
Bennett, Jerry	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	-	66	95%
Berry, Tom	45	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	+6	3/4	91	100%
Blasdel, Mark	10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	2/2	75	92%
Blyton, Joanne	59	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	65	96%
Boland, Carlie	23	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	2/3	33	49%
Broedehl, Randy	7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	81	96%
Burnett, Tom	63	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	50	96%
Clark, Christy	17	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	2/3	73	89%
Connell, Pat	87	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	-	88	100%
Cook, Rob	27	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-4	-	80	96%
Court, Virginia	52	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	2/3	25	47%
Cuffe, Mike	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	95	87%
Driscoll, Robyn	51	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	1/1	18	58%
Edmunds, Champ	100	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2/-2	-	65	74%
Ehli, Ron	88	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	50	96%
Esp, John	61	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+2	-	71	99%
Evans, Lila	16	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓*	✗	✓	✓*	E	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	2/3	12	92%
Fitzpatrick, Steve	20	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+4	2/2	38	100%

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Flynn, Kelly	68	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	+2	2/2	90	95%
Furey, Tim	91	✓	✓	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	-	2/3	45	47%
Gibson, Steve	78	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X	✓	-	-	51	96%
Greef, Edward	90	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	3/4	70	95%
Hale, Alan	77	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	2/2	60	74%
Hands, Betsy	99	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	-	-	7	52%
Hansen, Kris	33	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓*	✓	✓	✓	X	-	1/1	33	90%
Harris, Bill	30	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	0/1	91	91%
Hendrick, Gordon	14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	+2	-	68	98%
Hill, Ellie Boldman	94	✓	✓	X	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	-2	1/1	15	45%
Hiner, Cynthia	85	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	X*	✓*	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	-	-	53	68%
Hollandsworth, Roy	28	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	78	100%
Hollenbaugh, Galen	81	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	+2	-	13	48%
Hoven, Brian	24	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	X	✓	-	2/2	48	92%
Howard, David	60	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	1/1	95	96%
Hunter, Chuck	79	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	X	X	X	X	X	✓	+8	2/3	43	61%
Ingraham, Pat	13	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	-	73	92%
Kary, Doug	48	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	-	45	99%
Kennedy, Dan	57	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	+2	-	83	78%
Kerns, Krayton	58	X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓*	X	X	✓	X	X	X	✓*	✓	✓	✓	X	-2	1/2	55	58%
Klock, Harry	83	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+4	2/3	85	100%
Knox, James	47	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	-	56	92%
Knudsen, Austin	36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	2/2	70	96%
Lavin, Steve	8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	3/3	46	100%
Loney, Cleve	25	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	-	1/1	55	99%

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MacDonald, Margaret	54	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	1/1	30	52%
MacLaren, Gary	89	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+6	-	86	100%
Malek, Sue	98	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/2	25	40%
McChesney, Bill	40	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	-	53	68%
McClafferty, Edie	75	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/2	18	56%
McGillvray, Tom	50	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	-	46	98%
McNally, Mary	49	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	1/2	8	57%
McNiven, Jonathan	44	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	2/3	60	95%
McNutt, Walt	37	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓*	-	-	93	97%
Mehlhoff, Robert	26	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	38	62%
Menehan, Mike	82	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	1/1	42	47%
Milburn, Mike	19	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	-	-	58	96%
Miller, Mike	84	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	2/2	85	89%
More, Michael	70	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	0/1	60	70%
Noonan, Pat	73	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	2/3	15	52%
O'Hara, Jesse	18	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	1/1	83	100%
O'Neil, Jerry	3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	3/3	71	79%
Osmundson, Ryan	29	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	93	96%
Pease-Lopez, Carolyn	42	✓	✓	✗	✗*	✗	✓*	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	1/1	23	47%
Peterson, Ken	46	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	+2	1/1	81	83%
Phillips, Mike	66	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗*	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/1	18	51%
Price, Jean	21	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	-	33	52%
Randall, Lee	39	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	3/3	98	90%
Read, Joe	15	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	0/1	20	98%
Regier, Keith	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+6	0/1	100	100%

HOUSE

VOTING REVIEW KEY:

✓ - Business Positive Vote
 ✗ - Business Negative Vote

E - Excused
 * - Used Second Reading Vote

Chamber Position	Bill #	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Sponsor Points	Committee Votes	District P-base	BUSINESS SCORE
		HB 334	HB 43	SB 372	HB 100	HB 198	HB 341	HB 342	SB 201	SB 233	HB 275	HB 359	HB 405	HB 439	HB 555	HB 585	SB 94	SB 370	HB 598				
REPRESENTATIVE	Dist #																						
Reichner, Scott	9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	+4	2/3	76	100%
Reinhart, Michele	97	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	2/3	5	47%
Roberts, Don	56	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	61	96%
Rosendale, Matthew	38	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	3/4	63	92%
Salomon, Dan	12	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-2	1/3	50	95%
Sands, Diane	95	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	+4	1/2	17	51%
Schmidt, Trudi	22	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-2	0/2	28	48%
Sesso, Jon	76	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	-	2	57%
Skattum, Dan	62	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	0/1	38	88%
Skees, Derek	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	42	84%
Small, Sterling	41	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	E	+2	3/3	23	91%
Smith, Cary	55	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+14	2/3	58	100%
Smith, Frank	31	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/1	15	51%
Squires, Carolyn	96	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	2/4	23	52%
Stahl, Wayne	35	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	2/2	75	98%
Swanson, Kathy	86	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓*	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/1	37	57%
Taylor, Janna	11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+2	2/2	61	100%
Vance, Gordy	67	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	+4	2/4	73	98%
Wagner, Bob	71	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	0/1	96	73%
Warburton, Wendy	34	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓*	✗	-2	0/1	46	96%
Washburn, Ted	69	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	100	96%
Welborn, Jeff	72	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	3/3	85	94%
Williams, Kathleen	65	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	0/2	22	45%
Wilmer, Frankie	64	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	-	-	25	57%
Yates, Max	74	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓*	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓*	✗	✓	✗	-	2/2	40	77%

Review of Committee Votes POINTS

HOUSE BUSINESS AND LABOR

HJ 10 - Resolution against Citizens United decision (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Boland, Court, Furey, Noonan, Reinhart, Squires

Nays: Arntzen, Berry, Clark, Evans, Greef, Klock, McNiven, Reichner, Rosendale, Salomon, Small, Smith, Vance, Welborn

HB 440 - Require public & private employers to use E-Verify program (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Berry, Salomon, Vance

Nays: Arntzen, Boland, Clark, Court, Evans, Furey, Greef, Klock, McNiven, Noonan, Reichner, Reinhart, Rosendale, Small, Smith, Squires, Welborn

HB 620 - Revise health care laws to create healthcare gateway (Chamber Supported)

Ayes: Berry, Boland, Court, Furey, Noonan, Reinhart, Small, Squires, Welborn

Nays: Arntzen, Clark, Evans, Greef, Klock, McNiven, Reichner, Rosendale, Salomon, Smith, Vance

HOUSE JUDICIARY

HB 368 - Allow keeping firearm in vehicle or on employer's property (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Harris, Kerns, More, Read, Regier, Skattum, Wagner, Warburton

Nays: Bangerter, Driscoll, Hansen, Hill, Howard, Loney, MacDonald, O'Hara, Pease-Lopez, Peterson, Sands

HOUSE TAXATION

HB 577 - Removing tip income for unemployment & work comp (Chamber supported)

Ayes: Blasdel, Fitzpatrick, Flynn, Hale, Hoven, Knudsen, Lavin, McNally, Miller, O'Neil, Randall, Stahl, Taylor, Yates

Nays: Barrett, Malek, McClafferty, Williams

HB 626 - Increase tobacco products tax

Ayes: Barrett, Malek, McClafferty, McNally, Phillips, Williams

Nays: Blasdel, Fitzpatrick, Flynn, Hale, Hoven, Knudsen, Lavin, Miller, O'Neil, Randall, Stahl, Taylor, Yates

HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HB 507 - Create safe Montana highways act (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Sands, Smith, Squires, Swanson

Nays: Arntzen, Berry, Greef, Kerns, Lavin, O'Neil, Randall, Rosendale, Vance

SENATE HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

SB 82 - Provide for a primary seat belt law (Chamber Supported)

Ayes: Blewett, Caferro, Keane, Vuckovich, Wanzenried

Nays: Arthun, Buttrey, Jones, Mowbray, Sonju, Tutvedt, Zinke

SB 325 - Allow admissibility of seat belt use as evidence (Chamber Supported)

Ayes: Buttrey, Jones, Mowbray, Sonju, Tutvedt

Nays: Arthun, Blewett, Caferro, Keane, Vuckovich, Wanzenried, Zinke

SENATE JUDICIARY

SB 196 - Address bullying in the workplace (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Augare, Blewett, Larsen, Moss

Nays: Hinkle, Hutton, Jent, Mowbray, Murphy, Peterson, Shockley, Vincent

SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SB 240 - Revise laws related to street lighting improvement districts (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Augare, Gallus, Moss, Vuckovich

Nays: Buttrey, Olson, Sonju, Tutvedt, Wittich

SENATE TAXATION

SB 70 - Eliminate net operating loss carryback provisions (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Branae, Erickson, Gillan, Kaufmann, Van Dyk

Nays: Arthun, Essmann, Lake, Peterson, Tutvedt, Vincent, Wittich

SB 398 - Adding a high income personal income tax bracket (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Branae, Erickson, Gillan, Kaufmann, Van Dyk

Nays: Arthun, Essmann, Lake, Peterson, Tutvedt, Vincent, Wittich

SB 408 - Revise oil and gas "tax holiday" (Chamber Opposed)

Ayes: Branae, Erickson, Gillan, Kaufmann, Van Dyk

Nays: Arthun, Essmann, Lake, Peterson, Tutvedt, Vincent, Wittich



BILLS SELECTED FOR SPONSORSHIP POINTS

PRO-BUSINESS BILLS (Two POINTS ADDED)

[HB 19](#) (Diane Sands) - Clean Indoor Air Act applies to smoking of medical marijuana
[HB 43](#) (Gary MacLaren) - Employer's rights related to employee use of medical marijuana
[HB 59](#) (Tony Belcourt) - Revise renewable portfolio standard to include hydro expansions
[HB 68](#) (Diane Sands) - Revise Medical Marijuana Act and create regulatory structure
[HB 87](#) (Chuck Hunter) - Revise workers' comp laws to implement recs of LMCA
[HB 100](#) (Gordon Vance) - Require fiscal notes to include business impact
[HB 124](#) (Chuck Hunter) - Create a state-level health insurance exchange
[HB 129](#) (Gary MacLaren) - Create state-level external review process for health insurance
[HB 175](#) (Keith Regier) - Submit repeal of Montana Medical Marijuana Act to voters of MT
[HB 183](#) (Cary Smith) - Provide for high deductible health insurance thru tax credits
[HB 184](#) (Cary Smith) - Healthcare tax credits for individuals and out-of-pocket expenses
[HB 185](#) (Tom Berry) - Ban synthetic marijuana
[HB 186](#) (Chuck Hunter) - Continue allocation to WorksafeMT
[HB 196](#) (Pat Connell) - Provide that Dept. of Commerce assist local gov't with fed land mgmt
[HB 198](#) (Ken Peterson) - Generally revise eminent domain laws
[HB 219](#) (Tom McGillivray) - Index federal income tax deduction to consumer price index
[HB 235](#) (Steve Fitzpatrick) - Allow parties to liens to enter into arbitration
[HB 239](#) (Cary Smith) - Mandated benefits review by Insurance Commissioner for Legislature
[HB 248](#) (Mike Miller) - Provide for a tax credit for the purchase of long-term care insurance
[HB 268](#) (Harry Klock) - Revise laws associated with bad check fees
[HB 275](#) (Scott Reichner) - Provide offset of personal consumption expenses in survival actions
[HB 283](#) (Liz Bangerter) - Allow sex to be considered in certain insurance coverage
[HB 292](#) (Dan Kennedy) - Referendum amending right to a clean and healthful environment
[HB 300](#) (Kelly Flynn) - Allow more than 8 hour workday for certain industries if agreed to
[HB 325](#) (Keith Regier) - Eliminate class 8 business equipment property tax
[HB 334](#) (Scott Reichner) - Generally revise workers' compensation
[HB 341](#) (Cary Smith) - Revise interest payments in civil cases
[HB 342](#) (Cary Smith) - Revise appeal bonds in civil cases
[HB 357](#) (Gary MacLaren) - Provide tax credit for employer contribution to employee HSAs
[HB 358](#) (Gary MacLaren) - Revise Montana medical savings account contribution limits
[HB 359](#) (Gordon Vance) - Revise workers' compensation law on settlements
[HB 402](#) (Matthew Rosendale) - Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel
[HB 405](#) (Janna Taylor) - Medical malpractice reform
[HB 408](#) (Cary Smith) - Provide for timely filing & resolution of claims in medical liability cases
[HB 416](#) (Harry Klock) - Provide for confidentiality for medical practices quality assurance
[HB 419](#) (Bill Beck) - Generally revise captive insurance law
[HB 429](#) (Tom Berry) - Revise procedures related to the Medical Marijuana Act
[HB 431](#) (Keith Regier) - Eliminate state election day as a legal holiday
[HB 439](#) (Galen Hollenbaugh) - General obligation bonds for state government
[HB 445](#) (Cary Smith) - Allow health care choice thru out-of-state policies
[HB 472](#) (Gordon Hendrick) - Conduct an interim study to generally revise tax laws
[HB 479](#) (Sterling Small) - Provide for microbial conversion for enhanced gas recovery
[HB 526](#) (Champ Edmunds) - Create interstate health care compact
[HB 542](#) (John Esp) - Revise subdivision and platting act
[HB 555](#) (Steve Fitzpatrick) - Providing for nonduplication of health insurance benefits
[HB 573](#) (Chuck Hunter) - Generally revise health insurance laws for data and analysis generation
[HB 577](#) (Wayne Stahl) - Revise taxes by removing tip income for unemployment & work comp
[HB 585](#) (Jerry Bennett) - Require public disclosure of contracts with outside counsel for state
[HB 593](#) (Duane Ankney) - Revising clean air act mercury rules
[HB 620](#) (Tom Berry) - Generally revise health care law to create health care gateway
[HB 642](#) (Mark Blasdel) - Create select committee on efficiency in government--members--duties

[SB 82](#) (Bradley Hamlett) - Provide for a primary seat belt law
[SB 109](#) (Debby Barrett) - Revise definition of eligible renewable resources
[SB 111](#) (Jon Sonju) - Limit noneconomic damages in motor vehicle accidents
[SB 145](#) (Bob Lake) - Require administrative rules to be approved by interim committees
[SB 198](#) (Joe Balyeat) - Revise fiscal note law
[SB 199](#) (Joe Balyeat) - Revise administration of income taxes and certain penalty & interest provisions
[SB 201](#) (Edward Walker) - Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act
[SB 206](#) (Llew Jones) - Generally revise laws related to energy transmission siting
[SB 233](#) (Jim Keane) - Generally revise environmental impact laws
[SB 234](#) (Jon Sonju) - Generally revise municipal solid waste services
[SB 235](#) (Jon Sonju) - Allow admissibility of seat belt use as evidence in civil cases
[SB 236](#) (Edward Buttrey) - Revise solid waste laws related to local government
[SB 243](#) (Ryan Zinke) - General revision of workers' compensation law
[SB 270](#) (Art Wittich) - Revise appeal process for unemployment claims
[SB 274](#) (Bob Lake) - Classify expansions to hydroelectric facilities for property tax purposes
[SB 292](#) (Alan Olson) - Regulate underground coal gasification
[SB 294](#) (Edward Buttrey) - Revise workforce training grant program
[SB 297](#) (Jeff Essmann) - Provide a separate process for coal beneficiation
[SB 306](#) (Terry Murphy) - Revise mining laws on cyanide health & vat leach open-pit mining
[SB 312](#) (Chas Vincent) - Revise metal mine laws
[SB 317](#) (Chas Vincent) - Generally the Montana Environmental Policy Act
[SB 341](#) (Eric Moore) - Revise certain unemployment insurance charges to employers
[SB 359](#) (Mary Caferro) - Provide jobs for Montana veterans
[SB 367](#) (Chas Vincent) - Establish nutrient standards variances
[SB 370](#) (Jason Priest) - Require cost-benefit analysis of mandated health insurance coverage
[SB 372](#) (Bruce Tutvedt) - Lower business equipment tax -- phase more reduction
[SB 423](#) (Jeff Essmann) - Generally revise laws relating to use of marijuana

ANTI-BUSINESS BILLS (Two POINTS SUBTRACTED)

[HJ 10](#) (Ellie Boldman Hill) - Resolution against Citizens United decision
[HB 222](#) (Dick Barrett) - Provide withholding of taxes on gain from sales of real estate
[HB 316](#) (Rob Cook) - Redistribute certain revenue and income
[HB 368](#) (Wendy Warburton) - Allow keeping firearm in vehicle or on employer's property
[HB 384](#) (Krayton Kerns) - Revise carrying concealed weapon in prohibited places
[HB 440](#) (Daniel R Salomon) - Require all public and private employers to use E-Verify program
[HB 507](#) (Bryce Bennett) - Create safe Montana highways act
[HB 601](#) (Champ Edmunds) - Revise business and labor law to limit use of credit history in employment
[HB 611](#) (Rob Cook) - Generally revise use of accounts to implement House Bill No. 2
[HB 626](#) (Trudi Schmidt) - Increase tobacco product taxes
[HB 634](#) (Bryce Bennett) - Generally revise law relating to data privacy
[SB 70](#) (David E Wanzanried) - Eliminate net operating loss carryback provisions
[SB 94](#) (Ron Erickson) - Revise waters edge provisions of corporation taxes
[SB 196](#) (Jonathan Windy Boy) - Address bullying in the workplace
[SB 240](#) (Lynda Moss) - Revise laws related to street lighting improvement districts
[SB 273](#) (Carol Williams) - Extend SOL for corporate tax assessments and refunds
[SB 332](#) (Kendall Van Dyk) - Increase Montana renewable energy portfolio standard
[SB 350](#) (Ron Erickson) - Revising renewable energy portfolio standard
[SB 380](#) (Kim Gillan) - Generally revise laws regarding employer conduct re: politics, religion
[SB 398](#) (Christine Kaufmann) - Adding a high income personal income tax bracket to increase progressivity
[SB 399](#) (Christine Kaufmann) - Decouple from federal domestic production deduction
[SB 408](#) (Christine Kaufmann) - Revise oil and gas "tax holiday"

About the Governor's Voting Record

Much like the legislative voting review, this report is the most comprehensive look of the Governor's record on business issues. Like our Gubernatorial Review from 2007 and 2009, we have included more than just bills that get to the governor's desk, including the lobbying efforts directed by the Governor's office and any bills that originate from the executive branch. Very few Montanans know the governor's office and his executive branches spend hundreds of hours each session lobbying the legislature, and some are not required to report their lobbying hours.

This broad approach recognizes the true impact of the Governor and executive agencies on the legislative process. Like the legislative review, the state's overall P-base score was shown to give Montanans a comparison of the Governor's record to their own feeling toward business. Here is how the Governor's Business Score was calculated:

SPONSORSHIP POINTS: For bill sponsorship, 1 point was awarded to the Governor if an agency he oversees proposed a pro-business bill or if the idea came from the executive branch. If an agency he oversees sponsored an anti-business bill or if the idea came from his office, 1 point was subtracted.

COMMITTEE LOBBYING: The Governor was also scored on the lobbying efforts in legislative committees of the agencies and departments he oversees. If an agency he oversees supported a pro-business bill or opposed an anti-business bill, he received 2 points. If an agency he oversees supported an anti-business bill or opposed a pro-business bill, he received no points.

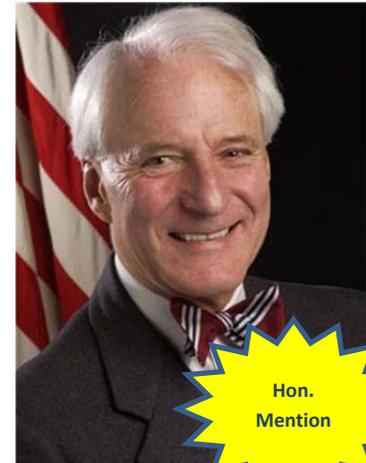
BILL SIGNINGS/VETOES: For every pro-business bill the governor signed, he received between 1 and 15 points. The point values match those awarded for legislative floor votes. For every anti-business bill the governor vetoed, he also received the assigned points. No points were awarded for signing anti-business bills, vetoing pro-business bills, or allowing a bill to become law without his signature.

BUSINESS SCORE: Finally, the Governor's total points earned were divided by the total points possible. This final number is the governor's Business Score. While this score does not encompass every aspect of the Governor's performance on business issues, it is a very reliable indicator of what level of priority he puts on business and economic issues. And since the 2011 Legislative Session is the Governor's final one due to gubernatorial term limits, we have included his career business score at the end.

** Lt. Governor John Bohlinger will receive an Honorable Mention Award for his work as chairman of the Labor-Management Advisory Council on workers' compensation reform, which led to the passage of HB 334*



Governor Brian Schweitzer



*Lt. Governor John Bohlinger**

Bills Selected to Determine Sponsorship Points

PRO-BUSINESS BILLS:

- HB 87 Revise workers' comp laws to implement recs of LMAC (+1)
- SB 243 General revision of workers' compensation laws (+1)

ANTI-BUSINESS BILLS:

- HB 222 Provide withholding of taxes on gain from sales of real estate (-1)
- SB 70 Eliminate net operating loss carryback provision (-1)
- SB 94 Revise water's edge provisions of corporate taxes (-1)
- SB 273 Extend SOL for corporate tax assessments and refunds (-1)

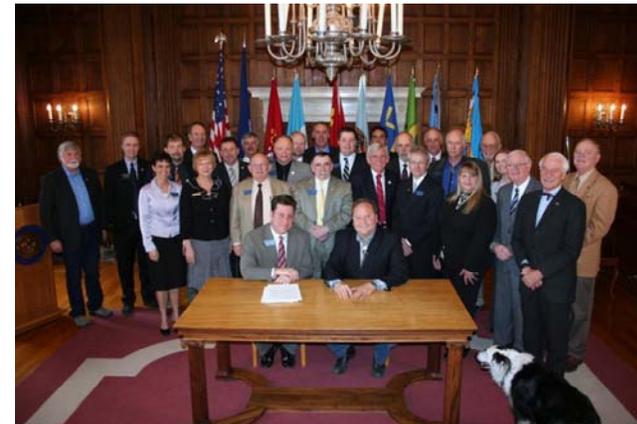


Lt. Governor John Bohlinger addresses Business Days

Committee LOBBYING

While the Governor almost never personally lobbies in legislative committee hearings, many of his representatives from various executive departments and agencies lobby bills. Since the Governor is the head of the executive branch, these representatives speak on behalf of the Governor and support his agenda. Bills selected for the sponsorship score or in the bill signings/vetoes were not used to determine the committee action score. The following bills were used to calculate points for committee action:

- SB 82 Provide for a primary seat belt law (+1)
- SB 198 Revise fiscal note law (-1)



Bill Signing for HB 334 – Work Comp Reform

Chamber Position	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Sponsor Points	Committee Lobbying	State P-base	2011 BUSINESS SCORE	CAREER BUSINESS SCORE
	HB 334	HB 43	SB 372	HB 100	HB 198	HB 341	HB 342	SB 201	SB 233	HB 59	HB 316	HB 359	HB 405	HB 577	HB 585	HB 604	SB 370					
Governor																						

✓ - Business Positive Vote

✗ - Business Negative Vote

E – Bill Became Law Without the Governor's Signature (doesn't affect score)

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