



69th Legislative Session

OVERVIEW & SCORECARD



In February, Big Sky 55+ Chair Terry Minow asked:

“So, which direction will Montana’s 2025 Legislature take? Will it follow the path towards division, discrimination and restricting our constitutional rights? Will it strive to emulate the chaos and destruction we see on the national level? Or will it take the path towards civility, common sense and community, working together to make Montana a better state for everyone, a place in which our children can grow, thrive and be proud to live?”

Now we are looking backward and we can say - a bit of both! However, **Montanans fared much better than they could have!** The alliance between a more robust Democratic caucus in both Chambers and a critical mass of moderate Republicans - often working with the Governor - helped the latter path come through in some key policy areas. These include:

👍 Keeping healthcare for 75,000 Montanans covered under the HELP Act, which is our state’s implementation of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). Montana’s expanded Medicaid contributes \$750 million annually in new spending in Montana, plus \$450 million in new household income, and 7,500 jobs - many of them in rural hospitals and caregiving facilities that represent the major employer in those areas.

👍 Finding a bipartisan compromise that substantively fixes the spikes in residential property taxes that came out of the 2023 session. These tax spikes outraged tens of thousands of Montana residents.

👍 At long last putting real investment into a Montana Housing Trust to fund revolving loans that will build affordable housing, and leverage private sector investors in this effort. The new trust fund begins with \$31.2 million and will grow to \$500 million over time. It is a timely and proven policy that quickly adds affordable housing that will benefit thousands of Montanans.



👍 Lawmakers resisted all but one bill that politicized the elections of our judges and justices. (The one bill that passed allows political parties to endorse and donate to judicial candidates but neither allows nor requires candidates to run on a partisan ballot or platform.)

👍 The legislature also invested resources into boosting teacher pay and helping child care workers afford quality childcare for their own children.

👍 The worst bills to gut public sector collective bargaining rights and other right to work proposals went down in flames.

On the down side, the Legislature passed:

❌ Too many invasive bills that scapegoat LGBTQ communities, especially transgender Montanans. (One bill is already enjoined by a District court while the arguments play out.)

❌ A huge income tax and capital gains tax cut gift to Montana's millionaires.

❌ A handful of bills butting into the prerogatives of the Third Branch, Montana's judiciary, undermining its Constitutionally ordained independence.

❌ Bills that chip away at local governments' ability to govern themselves and provide the services their voters have voted for.

❌ Bills eroding Montanans' rights to vote and have their ballots counted.

❌ While health care passed, a bill imposing "work requirements" on older Montanans age 55-62, (who suffer much higher rates of chronic ailments and cardiovascular disease), to keep their Medicaid-supported health insurance also passed.

In hindsight, the elections in November laid the groundwork for the successes in 2025. That included more moderate Republicans winning primaries in the Spring, and a significantly larger number of Democrats winning than in the 2022 election, ending the veto-proof supermajority held by Montana Republicans in 2023.

Big Sky 55+ continues to uphold the value of supporting our champions in either party and making sure our members and voters in their districts know who has their back!



House of Representatives

TOP BILLS OF CONCERN

HB 245 REMOVE SUNSET ON MONTANA'S EXPANDED MEDICAID

Sponsor: Rep. Ed Buttrey

BS55+ position: support

Status: Became law

It removed the sunset provision that would have ended health care for 75,000 Montanans. Medicaid expansion injects nearly \$1 billion into the Montana economy annually, keeps rural hospitals open, allows unpaid family caregivers access to health insurance, and keeps thousands of Montanans healthy and able to come to work, especially seasonal workers and those in small Main Street businesses.

HB 337 REVISE INCOME TAXES TO LOWER INCOME TAXES

Sponsor: Speaker Brandon Ler

BS55+ position: oppose

Status: Became law

For the second consecutive session, Gov. Gianforte's top priority was to deliver a massive tax cut for Montana's millionaires. This was the vehicle. With a \$556 million price tag, it **delivers 66% of the cut to the top 20% – the wealthiest Montanans.** The average tax cut for the top 1% is \$6,000/year. Middle income

earners should see approximately \$160/year. A small portion of this bill would provide a small earned income tax credit increase to low income families.

HB 607 PROVIDE FOR THE HEARING AID COVERAGE ACT

Sponsor: Rep. Paul Tuss

BS55+ position: support

Status: Passed both chambers, vetoed by Gov. Gianforte

The title tells it all. It mandated insurance coverage for hearing aids for all ages (currently, insurance must cover hearing aids for ages 18 and under).

HB 827 REVISE SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME TAX

Sponsor: Rep. Melody Cunningham

BS55+ position: support

Status: Passed in the House, died in the Senate

HB 827 raised the Social Security income tax threshold closer to the median income. Currently, up to \$25,000 of Social Security income is exempt from tax, \$32,000 for joint returns. HB 827 would have raised the exemption to \$32,500 for single returns and \$48,500 for joint filers. It had a \$22 million/year fiscal note and some lawmakers felt it was too expensive.

HB 848 PASSENGER RAIL AUTHORITY SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT

Sponsor: Rep. Denise Baum

BS55+ position: support

Status: Passed in the House, died in the Senate

HB 848 would have earmarked \$2 million/year for a special revenue account that would enable Montana to leverage millions in federal and private matching funds needed to create sites, and operate twice-daily passenger rail service through the southern population centers of Montana. The route would have served the state's largest city, its fastest growing county, two main campuses of the Montana University System, plus seven smaller units and community colleges, two private colleges, and over 900,000 Montanans (either in counties crossed or adjacent to counties crossed by the line).

HB 924 GO FUND (HOUSING & CHILD CARE TRUSTS)

Sponsor: Rep. Llew Jones

BS55+ position: support

Status: Became law

The Growth and Opportunity Fund establishes a new state trust fund to accomplish long-term fiscal goals and address revenue volatility. Its initial investment, in affordable housing, is a \$31.2 million investment in the Montana Housing Trust to allow revolving loans that would finance affordable housing. In 2024, the National Association of Realtors deemed Montana the most unaffordable housing state in the nation as defined by comparing average housing costs to average income. In addition to the Housing Trust, the GO Fund establishes trusts for critical bridge and dam repairs, state pension funds, childcare and property tax relief.

Senate

TOP BILLS OF CONCERN

SB 42 PARTISAN ELECTION OF JUDGES & JUSTICES

Sponsor: Rep. Daniel Emrich

BS55+ position: **oppose**

Status: Passed in the Senate, died in the House

This was the most extreme of half a dozen bills attempting to politicize Montana's judicial system. It would have required partisan races for every level of judge from municipal courts to the Supreme Court.

SB 72 PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY FOR HOME & COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Sponsor: Sen. Mike Yakawich

BS55+ position: **support**

Status: Passed both chambers, vetoed by Gov. Gianforte

This legislation came out of the Children and Families Interim Committee based on a study that we supported in 2023 and followed throughout the interim. It would have enabled timely, critical home and community-based services for Medicaid-eligible clients. This would alleviate pressure on nursing-home and assisted living slots and get people the help they need in their communities at a lower cost.

SB 542 GENERALLY REVISE PROPERTY TAX LAWS

Sponsor: Sen. Wylie Galt

BS55+ position: **support**

Status: Became law

On the last days of the 2025 Session, bipartisan votes on a compromise that took 90 days to achieve brought substantive residential property tax cuts to primary residences. SB 542 was the vehicle. For homes with an assessed value up to the Montana median, the tax rate went from 1.35% to 0.76%, taking it down to the pre-2023 level. Tax rates increase through graduated tiers up to 1.9% for homes above \$2 million. This bill was amended in the House Taxation Committee to absorb a compromise package that included elements from the two main residential property tax vehicles - Rep. Mark Thane's HB 155 and Rep. Llew Jones' HB 231. Due to the late April date, it also accommodated Dept. of Revenue concern that it could not implement the provisions in the tiers in the first year. In tandem with HB 231, it therefore provided for a one-time \$400 rebate to primary residences for the current tax year and a partial implementation of the graduated and lowered rates.



Key Committee Actions

IMPORTANT POLICIES

HB 2 JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES 3% PROVIDER RATE INCREASE

Status: Became law

During executive action on Section B of HB 2 (the state budget), Sen. Emma Kerr-Carpenter moved to add a 3% annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). It passed with the assist of one Republican on the Subcommittee, Sen. Russ Tempel, a former County Commissioner from Liberty County. It included Senior and Long-term Care, and Home and Community Services care providers. After Montana lost a dozen nursing homes two years ago, we worked with other advocates to ensure that facilities and caregivers could compete in the marketplace for staff and keep their doors open. Big Sky 55+ noted in testimony that the current reimbursement rates were indexed to the actual costs in July 2022, and lag far behind due to actual inflation that has occurred since.

For: Sens. Kerr Carpenter, Chris Pope, and Russ Tempel; Reps. Mary Caferro and Mike Fox.

Opposed: Sens. Carl Glimm, and Dennis Lenz; Reps. Jane Gillette and Bill Mercer

SJ 21 RESOLUTION TO SECURE & STRENGTHEN SOCIAL SECURITY

Sponsor: Rep. Connie Keogh

Status: Died in the House Business & Labor Committee on a party line vote

SJ 21 mapped out key steps needed to ensure a robust retirement system for the nation, and debunked common myths and misinformation propounded by those who wish to destroy this popular safety net for Americans. After a strong, positive, and well-attended hearing articulating the case and educating lawmakers on the issue, the House Business and Labor Committee moved fairly quickly to table the bill on a party line vote.

For: Reps. Jennifer Lynch, Bob Carter, Scott Demarois, Chip Fitzpatrick, Jamie Isaly, Jonathan Karlen, Josh Seckinger, Katie Sullivan

Opposed: Reps. Ed Buttrey, Kerri Seekins-Crowe, Steve Fitzpatrick, Steve Gist, Brandon Ler, Shannon Maness, Terry Nelson, Nelly Nicol, Greg Oblander, Curtis Schomer, Courtenay Sprunger, Morgan Thiel

MOBILE HOME PARK DISPUTE RESOLUTION FUND

Sponsor: Rep. Jonathan Karlen

Status: Died in the House Judiciary Committee

HB 305 would help level the playing field for mobile homeowners when the land beneath their homes is sold, or when other disputes arise between the tenant and the park owners (park owners are increasingly out-of-state private equity firms). It was tabled in the Judiciary Committee after a close 9 to 11 vote. It garnered one Republican vote (Rep. Tracy Sharp).

For: Reps. Tom France, Denise Baum, Melody Cunningham, Alanah Griffith, SJ Howell, Tracy Sharp, Ed Stafman, Peter Strand, Zooey Zephyr

Opposed: Reps. Amy Regier, Lee Deming, Jodee Etchart, Caleb Hinkle, Jedediah Hinkle, Steven Kelly, Shane Klakken, Greg Kmetz, Tom Millett, Braxton Mitchell, Greg Overstreet

House of Representatives

BIG SKY 55+ 2025 SCORECARD

👍 = Supported BS55+ position ❌ = Opposed BS55+ position A/E = Absent/Excused

★ 3rd reading 2/10 2nd reading 4/1 2nd reading 3/3 2nd reading 4/4 3rd reading 4/5 3rd reading 4/29 2nd reading 4/1 2nd reading 3/26 2nd reading 4/22

HOUSE DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	CITY	PARTY	HB 245	HB 337	HB 607	HB 827	HB 848	HB 924	SB 42	SB 72	SB 542	SCORE
HD 28	Albus, Eric	Glasgow	R	👍	❌	👍	A	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	63%
HD 55	Barker, Brad	Red Lodge	R	👍	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	77%
HD 45	Baum, Denise	Billings	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 86	Bedey, David	Hamilton	R	👍	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	77%
HD 4	Bennett, Lyn	Columbia Falls	R	❌	❌	👍	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	👍	44%
HD 75	Bertoglio, Marta	Clancy	R	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 43	Brewster, Larry	Billings	R	❌	❌	👍	❌	👍	❌	❌	👍	👍	44%
HD 21	Buttrey, Ed	Great Falls	R	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 11	Byrne, Ed	Creston	R	❌	❌	❌	👍	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	33%
HD 81	Caferro, Mary	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	❌	77%
HD 96	Carter, Bob	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 65	Close, Brian	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 90	Cochran, Curtis	St Regis	R	👍	❌	❌	👍	👍	👍	❌	❌	👍	55%
HD 83	Cohenour, Jill	East Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 15	Crowe, Thedis	Browning	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 97	Cunningham, Melody	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 84	Darling, Julie	Helena	R	👍	❌	👍	❌	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	66%
HD 71	DeMarois, Scott	Anaconda	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	❌	88%
HD 54	Deming, Lee	Laurel	R	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	22%
HD 1	Duram, Neil	Eureka	R	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	22%
HD 61	Edwards, Becky	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	❌	77%
HD 82	Elverum, Pete	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 49	Essmann, Sherry	Billings	R	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	👍	33%

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HD 51	Etchart, Jodee	Billings	R	👍	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	👍	44%
HD 10	Falk, Terry	Kalispell	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	11%
HD 14	Fielder, Paul	Thompson Falls	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 42	Fitzpatrick, Chip	Crow Agency	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	88%
HD 76	Fitzpatrick, John	Anaconda	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 24	Fitzpatrick, Steve	Great Falls	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	👍	✖	👍	33%
HD 32	Fox, Mike	Hays	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 99	France, Tom	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 91	Fyant, Shelly	Arlee	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 77	Gillette, Jane	Three Forks	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 25	Gist, Steve	Cascade	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	A	👍	✖	👍	👍	75%
HD 78	Gregg, Randyn	White Sulphur Springs	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 60	Griffith, Alanah	Big Sky	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 72	Hawk, Donavon	Butte	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	✖	77%
HD 68	Hinkle, Caleb	Belgrade	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	11%
HD 67	Hinkle, Jedediah	Belgrade	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	11%
HD 100	Howell, SJ	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 58	Isaly, Jamie	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 18	Jones, Llew	Conrad	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 46	Joy, Denise	Billings	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 98	Karlen, Jonathan	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 9	Kelly, Steven	Kalispell	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%
HD 92	Keogh, Connie	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 37	Klakken, Shane	Grass Range	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	22%
HD 36	Kmetz, Greg	Miles City	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%

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HD 64	Kortum, Kelly	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 74	Lee, Marc	Butte	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	88%
HD 33	Ler, Brandon	Savage	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 85	Love, Kathy	Hamilton	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 73	Lynch, Jennifer	Butte	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	88%
HD 70	Maness, Shannon	Dillon	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 94	Marler, Marilyn	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 66	Matthews, Eric	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	88%
HD 52	Mercer, Bill	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%
HD 2	Millett, Tom	Marion	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 26	Miner, Russ	Great Falls	R	👍	✖	✖	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	66%
HD 5	Mitchell, Braxton	Columbia Falls	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	A	✖	✖	✖	👍	25%
HD 29	Moore, Valerie	Plentywood	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 79	Muszkiewicz, Luke	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 56	Nave, Fiona	Columbus	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 87	Nelson, Terry*	Stevensville	R		✖		👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	👍	43%
HD 50	Nicastro, Anthony	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 53	Nicol, Nelly	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	22%
HD 22	Nikolakakos, George	Great Falls	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 20	Nikolakakos, Melissa	Great Falls	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 38	Oblander, Greg	Billings	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	77%
HD 88	Overstreet, Greg	Stevensville	R	✖	✖	👍	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	33%
HD 35	Parry, Gary	Colstrip	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	77%
HD 3	Powers, Debo	Whitefish	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 47	Reavis, James	Billings	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 6	Regier, Amy	Kalispell	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%

* Rep. Terry Nelson took office on March 10, thus did not vote on all bills scored.

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HD 13	Reksten, Linda	Polson	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 80	Romano, Melissa	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 57	Rosenzweig, Scott	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 16	Running Wolf, Tyson	Browning	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	88%
HD 34	Schillinger, Jerry	Circle	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%
HD 48	Schomer, Curtis	Billings	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	77%
HD 8	Schubert, Lukas	Kalispell	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	👍	33%
HD 62	Seckinger, Joshua	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 39	Seekins-Crowe, Kerri	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	A	✖	👍	👍	38%
HD 12	Sharp, Tracy	Polson	R	✖	✖	👍	👍	👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	44%
HD 31	Smith, Frank	Poplar	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 41	Sooktis, Jade	Lame Deer	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 7	Sprunger, Courtenay	Kalispell	R	✖	✖	👍	👍	✖	✖	👍	✖	👍	44%
HD 59	Stafman, Ed	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 63	Strand, Peter	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 93	Sullivan, Katie	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	✖	👍	👍	✖	66%
HD 89	Thane, Mark	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 30	Thiel, Morgan	Sidney	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	👍	22%
HD 23	Tilleman, Eric	Cascade	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 27	Tuss, Paul	Havre	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 40	Vinton, Mike	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	11%
HD 69	Walsh, Ken	Twin Bridges	R	👍	✖	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	77%
HD 19	Weber, Jane	Great Falls	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
HD 17	Wirth, Zack	Wolf Creek	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	👍	22%
HD 95	Zephyr, Zoey	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	✖	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
HD 44	Zolnikov, Katie	Billings	R	✖	✖	✖	✖	👍	✖	✖	👍	✖	22%

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👍 = Supported BS55+ position ❌ = Opposed BS55+ position A/E = Absent/Excused

SENATE DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	CITY	PARTY	★ 3rd reading 2/27	2nd reading 4/18	3rd reading 4/15	3rd reading 4/23	2nd reading 4/15	3rd reading 4/24	3rd reading 2/27	2nd reading 2/10	2nd reading 4/29	SCORE (%)
SD 38	Beard, Becky	Elliston	R	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	11%
SD 18	Bogner, Kenneth	Miles City	R	❌	❌	❌	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	❌	44%
SD 47	Boldman, Ellie	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 1	Cuffe, Mike	Eureka	R	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	77%
SD 49	Curdy, Willis	Missoula	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 42	Dunwell, Mary Ann	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
SD 41	Ellis, Janet	Helena	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 43	Ellsworth, Jason	Hamilton	R	👍	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	44%
SD 11	Emrich, Daniel	Great Falls	R	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	11%
SD 29	Esp, John	Big Timber	R	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	11%
SD 2	Fern, Dave	Whitefish	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 31	Flowers, Pat	Belgrade	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 4	Fuller, John	Kalispell	R	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	22%
SD 39	Galt, Wylie	Martinsdale	R	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	👍	22%
SD 9	Gillespie, Bruce "Butch"	Ethridge	R	👍	❌	👍	👍	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	66%
SD 3	Glimm, Carl	Kila	R	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	❌	❌	11%
SD 37	Harvey, Derek	Butte	D	👍	👍	👍	❌	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 32	Hayman, Denise	Bozeman	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
SD 7	Hertz, Greg	Polson	R	👍	❌	❌	👍	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	33%
SD 15	Hunter, Gregg	Glasgow	R	👍	❌	👍	❌	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	55%
SD 13	Kassmier, Josh	Fort Benton	R	👍	❌	❌	❌	❌	👍	❌	👍	👍	44%

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SENATE DISTRICT	LEGISLATOR	CITY	PARTY	HB 245	HB 337	HB 607	HB 827	HB 848	HB 924	SB 42	SB 72	SB 542	SCORE (%)
SD 34	Vance, Shelley	Belgrade	R	👍	✗	👍	✗	✗	👍	✗	✗	👍	44%
SD 20	Vinton, Sue	Billings	R	✗	✗	✗	👍	✗	✗	✗	👍	✗	22%
SD 8	Webber, Susan	Browning	D	👍	👍	👍	✗	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	88%
SD 16	Windy Boy, Jonathan	Box Elder	D	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	100%
SD 24	Yakawich, Mike	Billings	R	👍	✗	👍	👍	✗	✗	✗	👍	✗	44%
SD 22	Zolnikov, Daniel	Billings	R	✗	✗	✗	👍	👍	✗	✗	👍	✗	33%

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87,617 EMAILS, LETTERS,
and other messages to our legislators and
Governor in the 2025 session. All the work
we did this year was enhanced by you.

**Thank you so much for being an
active member of Big Sky 55+!**