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# Report card time for legislators

MEA-MFT 2003 Legislative Voting Record

All candidates say they support public education and public services.

Are they telling the truth? This voting record is your opportunity to decide. Look for your legislators and see how they voted on issues of importance to you, your work, and your paycheck.

#### Happy with your legislators?

If you're not happy with your legislators, you're not alone. This legislature, dominated by a Republican majority, made the following decisions:

- Leave k-12 schools with \$15 million less in state funding, resulting in higher local property taxes, low salaries, and loss of valuable programs.
- Underfund state services and grant a token pay increase of 25 cents in 2005 to state employees who are expected to keep programs functioning with fewer staff and resources.
- Leave the university system \$40 million short, leading to double digit tuition increases for Montana students.
- Refuse a whole menu of fair revenue options, relying instead on one-time funding and tax cuts for wealthier Montanans, thus creating another funding crisis for the next session.

On the other hand, many legislators fought bravely and consistently to adequately fund education and essential state services. They stepped up to the plate and supported revenue, and they spoke against one-time Band-Aid solutions. Unfortunately, they were in the minority.

#### Just the facts - and our thanks

The facts are here for you to use. If you're not happy with your legislators, look for other candidates—or run yourself! If you're satisfied with your legislators, give them a call and say thanks. Volunteer to put up a yard sign next election; send 20 bucks; talk to your friends and neighbors.

Thank you for your involvement in the legislative session. Your calls and e-mails made a big difference. With your help, the next legislature will do more than give lip service to public education and public services. Remember in November!

The voting guide that follows explains the bills

and amendments MEA-MFT used for our voting record. These are the votes most important to public services and public education.

#### 2003 House Voting Record Guide

HB = House Bill

SB = Senate Bill

AMD = Amendment

# HB 2 AMD 1 (Laslovich) Eliminate Vacancy Savings at State 24-Hour Care Facilities

As introduced, HB 2 dictated a 4% vacancy savings rate for all state agencies.

This meant 4% of an agency's actual personnel costs would NOT be funded. At Montana's 24-hour care facilities, such as Warm Springs, the state prisons, and the School for the Deaf and Blind, reductions in personnel budgets cannot be absorbed without jeopardizing client and employee safety, forcing increased overtime, or expanding state employee work loads.

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 1 to HB 2 to eliminate the 4% vacancy savings for all 24-hour care facilities operated by state government.

**MEA-MFT Position: Support** 

Vote: Amendment – House Floor – 3/20/2003 Status: Failed.

# HB 2 AMD 2 (Buzzas) Restore Funding for the Montana University System

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 2 to HB 2 to restore \$8 million to the Montana University System that the House Appropriations Committee cut from the governor's proposed budget.

MEA-MFT Position: Support

Vote: Amendment – House Floor – 3/21/2003 Status: Failed. The Senate later restored \$7 million to the governor's proposed budget for the University System, leaving the system \$40 million below present law funding levels.

# HB 13 (Lewis) Increase State Employee Pay and Benefits

At the time the House first voted on the state pay plan, HB 13 provided a salary increase of 45 cents an hour for state employees as well as an \$8.1 million increase in employer health insurance contributions effective January 1, 2004.

MEA-MFT Position: Support – Priority Bill Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading - House Floor – 3/28/2003 Status: Passed the House, but the Senate removed the 45-cent salary increase and dedicated an additional \$2.4 million to cover health care

At the last possible moment, the legislature adopted a 25-cent pay increase effective January 1, 2005. In so doing, the legislature ordered the state employee vacancy savings rate to increase another 2% to a total of 6%.

premium costs.

# HB 107 (A. Olson) Provide Teacher Loan Repayment Assistance

HB 107 provided student loan repayment assistance to teachers in critical teaching shortage areas.

MEA-MFT Position: Support – Priority Bill Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> reading – House Floor – 1/23/2003 Status: Passed the House but indefinitely postponed in the Senate on the next to the last day of the session.

# HB 113 (Devlin) Divert School Lands Timber Dollars from Technology to General Fund

HB 113 continued a bad decision made by the August 2002 special legislative session to "temporarily" divert dollars derived from the harvest of timber on state school lands from k-12 technology to the state's general fund. MEA-MFT argued that this fund maneuver was unconstitutional and deprived Montana schools of a badly needed resource to maintain and enhance technology needs.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – House Floor – 2/27/2003

Status: Failed.

## HB 193 (Branae) Create Per-Educator School Funding Entitlement

HB 193 created a \$1,000 entitlement for each full-time certified educator in school districts, special education cooperatives, and state institutions. The new entitlement increased school district minimum and maximum budget authority.

MEA-MFT supported HB 193 as the best school funding bill in the session. HB 193 pro-

vided more dollars for schools and positively reformed our current, decrepit school de-funding formula.

MEA-MFT Position: Support – Priority bill Vote: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – House Floor – 2/15/2003 Status: Passed the House on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading but referred back to the House Appropriations Committee where it was tabled.

#### HB 302, AMD 1 (Rice-Fritz) Remove MEA-MFT from Governance of Statewide School Employee Health Insurance Pool

Amendment 1 to HB 302 eliminated MEA-MFT's right (and the right of other k-12 education organizations) to nominate and secure representation on the Public School Benefits Board that governed the mandatory statewide school employee health insurance pool the bill created.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: Amendment – House Floor – 2/25/2003 Status: Passed.

#### HB 302, AMD 2 (Galvin-Halcro) Make Statewide School Employee Health Insurance Pool Voluntary

Amendment 2 to HB 302 clashed with the fundamental logic and purpose of MEA-MFT's proposed mandatory statewide school employee health insurance pool. By allowing some districts to opt out of the pool, the amendment invited adverse selection and condemned the pool to a short and perilous life.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: Amendment – House Floor – 2/25/2003 Status: Failed.

# HB 302 (Lewis) Create Mandatory Statewide School Employee Health Insurance Pool

HB 302 represented MEA-MFT's second major legislative attempt in the last six years to ameliorate skyrocketing health insurance premiums throughout Montana school districts and to provide school employee equity in health care insurance costs and benefits.

MEA-MFT Position: Support – Priority bill Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – House Floor – 2/27/2003

Status: Passed the House only to be negatively amended and indefinitely postponed in the Senate. *(Continued)* 



#### MEA-MFT 2003 voting record guide (continued)

# SB 407 (DePratu) Cut Income and Capital Gains Taxation; Adopt or Increase Certain Selective Sales Taxes

See SB 407 in Senate Voting Record Guide.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – House Floor – 4/15/2003

Status: Passed.

#### SB 424, AMD 1 (Facey) Provide Per-Educator Entitlement Increase School Funding

Amendment 1 to SB 424 incorporated the school funding reform concepts of HB 193 into the last remaining school funding bill alive when the amendment was offered. (See HB 193 above.)

MEA-MFT Position: Support

Vote: Amendment - House Floor - 4/11/2003

Status: Failed.

#### HB 750 (R. Brown) Increase Cigarette Tax Coupled with a Temporary Loan from the Coal Tax Trust Fund

HB 750 represented a "grand compromise" between majority and minority party leaders. The bill provided \$76 million in new revenue for general fund budgets and a far better long-term outcome than SB 407. See SB 407 in Senate Voting Record Guide.

**MEA-MFT Position: Support** 

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading - House Floor – 3/23/2003

Status: Failed.

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Thank you for



#### 2003 Senate Voting Record Guide HB 2, AMD 1 (McCarthy) Eliminate Vacancy

Savings at State 24-Hour Care Facilities

See HB 2, AMD 1 in House Voting Record Guide.

MEA-MFT Position: Support

Vote: Amendment - Senate Floor - 4/08/2003

Status: Failed.

# HB 2, AMD 2 (Cooney) Restore Funding for Montana University System

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 2 to HB 2 to restore \$1 million to university system funding. MEA-MFT Position: Support

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 4/08/2003 Status: Failed.

#### HB 107, AMD 1 (Mangan) Remove Teacher Signing Bonus Plan from Teacher Loan Repayment Assistance Bill

Working hard to pass a morale-busting, anti-MEA-MFT signing bonus for NEW teachers only, the Senate added an amendment to HB 107 making approval of teacher loan repayment assistance contingent on approval of SB 267. See SB 267 below.

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 1 to HB 107 to remove the offensive contingency language.

**MEA-MFT Position: Support** 

 $Vote: Amendment-Senate\ Floor-4/04/2003$ 

Status: Failed.

# SB 120 (Glaser) Encourage Educators to Become Independent Contractors

SB 120 invited a limited number of certified school employees (primarily administrators) to retire, draw their retirement benefit, and then get "rehired" to do the same job as independent contractors – not subject to any salary earnings limitation and not contributing anything to the Teachers Retirement System.

SB 120 contributed to the unfunded liability of the Teachers Retirement System at everyone's expense except the individuals who might become independent contractors.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 2/07/2003 Status: Passed the Senate but tabled in House Education.

# SB 267 (Stapleton) Create Signing Bonus for Teachers New to the Profession

SB 267 purportedly provided signing bonuses for new teachers of math, science, and music; new teachers in rural areas; and new teachers who replaced teachers who retired after 26 years or more of experience.

SB 267 did not provide a signing bonus to all new hires, and it did not provide one penny in re-signing bonus for anyone currently teaching. In fact, under SB 267, many first-year teachers in Montana districts would have been employed at a higher rate of pay than teachers in their fifth, sixth, and even seventh years of teaching.

SB 267 never contemplated a legitimate source of funding.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 3/29/2003 Status: Passed the Senate but tabled in House Taxation.

#### HB 302, AMD 1 (Story) Make Statewide School Employee Health Insurance Pool Voluntary

See HB 302, AMD 2 from House Voting Record Guide. Amendment 2 to HB 302 accomplished the same purpose as the proposed House amendment but with the additional condition that only self-insured districts could opt out of the pool. This amendment killed HB 302.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: Amendment – Senate Floor – 4/04/2003 Status: Passed - thereby compelling MEA-MFT to request that HB 302 be indefinitely postponed.

#### SB 323 AMD 1 (Mangan) Maintain District Option of County Retirement Levy for Disadvantaged and Special Education Students

SB 323 was the governor's school de-funding bill. Therein she proposed to eliminate state-subsidized county retirement levies to fund the retirement costs of federally funded employees.

This idea (as finalized under SB 424) will cost Montana school districts – at a minimum – over \$20 million per biennium in perpetuity.

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 1 to SB 323 to eliminate this costly provision from the governor's proposal.

MEA-MFT Position: Support

Vote: Amendment – Senate Floor – 3/28/2003 Status: Failed.

#### SB 323 (Grimes) De-fund Public Schools

SB 323 trimmed \$17 million from total state spending on k-12 schools from 2003 budget levels.

Further, considering the additional loss of budget authority due to the county retirement provisions detailed above, SB 323 represented a significant step backwards for Montana schools.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 3/29/2003 Status: Passed the Senate but tabled in House Appropriations. Unfortunately, the legislature revived major provisions of SB 323 in SB 424.

#### SB 373 (Laible) Force MHSA to Accept **Non-Accredited Schools**

SB 373 restricted Montana school districts from joining any "interscholastic activities" organization (i.e. the Montana High School Association) that prohibits non-accredited private schools from joining.

SB 373 was essentially an end run on the Board of Public Education's standards of school accreditation and teacher certification.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 2/22/2003

Status: Failed.

#### SB 407 (DePratu) Cut Income and Capital Gains Taxation; Adopt or Increase Certain **Selective Sales Taxes**

As amended in the House and adopted in the Senate, SB 407 became the final, miserable budget balancing bill of the session. It raises \$68.4 million over the next two-plus years. It does so by increasing the tax on hotel and motel rooms to 7 percent, imposing a new 4 percent tax on rental cars, and hiking the tax on cigarettes from 18 cents to 70 cents a pack.

But SB 407 so deeply cuts income and capital gains taxation that just a handful of months down the road the 2005 Legislature will be facing most if not all of the same fiscal difficulties the 2003 Legislature faced.

SB 407 is far removed from revenue neutrality, much less revenue growth. It will contribute to our chronic inability to adequately fund a state pay plan, the Montana University System, and k-12 public education – just to mention a few needy, deserving, and unmet state responsibilities.

MEA-MFT Position: Oppose

Vote: 3rd Reading – Senate Floor – 4/3/2003

Status: Passed.

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# How did they do?

Voting records appear on the following pages.

# Voting record key

**R** = Right vote according to MEA-MFT position.

**W** = Wrong vote according to MEA-MFT position.

**E** = Excused from voting. Vote not counted.

**A** = Absent from voting (without official excuse). Counted as a wrong vote.

#### Number Right =

Number of times the legislator voted according to MEA-MFT position.

#### Percent Right =

Percentage of the legislator's votes that agreed with MEA-MFT position.



### MEA-MFT 2003 voting record guide (continued)

# SB 411 (Glaser) Define Quality Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

SB 411 described what constitutes a basic system of k-12 public schools. It failed, however, to embrace any reference to the Montana Supreme Court's 1989 decision in the original underfunded schools suit that Montana's school accreditation standards, including teacher certification, do not fully define quality education, are the minimum standards upon which quality education must be built, and do not fully define the constitutional rights of students nor the constitutional responsibilities of the state to fund public schools.

Position: Oppose

Vote: 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading – Senate Floor – 2/27/2003 Status: Passed the Senate but tabled in House Education.

# SB 483 AMD 1 (Stonington) Remove "Roll-back" Requirement for Future Budget Development

After succeeding in rolling back budgets to Fiscal Year 2000 expenditure levels, Senate leaders proposed to repeat the painful exercise as often as possible. SB 483 required that budgetary starting points be rolled back 5% at the beginning of every legislative session. Such rollbacks translated into a \$50 million rollback for k-12 funding, \$13 million rollback for the university system, and \$26 million rollback for the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

MEA-MFT requested Amendment 1 to SB 483 to remove the rollback provision.

**MEA-MFT Position: Support** 

Vote: Amendment – Senate Floor – 4/16/2003

Status: Passed.

## Don't like what happened in the legislature?

You can help change the future by giving to MEA-MFT COPE

How much is your future worth to you? Three bucks a month?

This fall, MEA-MFT locals across Montana will hold political education drives asking members to have \$3 per month deducted from their paychecks. This money will help elect friends of public employees, public education, and public services. The goal is to have at least a fourth of MEA-MFT members sign up.

MEA-MFT does not spend your dues dollars on political campaigns and candidates. Rather, members donate money voluntarily to support pro-education, pro-public service candidates. These candidates are identified through a rigorous recommendation process.

Before recommending candidates, MEA-MFT COPE (Committee on Political Education), comprised of locally elected MEA-MFT leaders, invites candidates to interview with MEA-MFT members. COPE members look carefully at can-

didates' positions and voting records on issues affecting schools, public services, and public employees. COPE members make recommendations based on the candidate's positions, *not* on the candidate's political party.

"When politicians stop getting involved in education and public services, MEA-MFT can stop getting involved in politics," said Terry Minow, MEA-MFT political director. "It doesn't look as if that will happen any time soon."

Political campaigns impact every aspect of our professional lives. They impact public schools, children, public services, and the citizens who rely on public services. That's why MEA-MFT must impact political campaigns.

For *your* future, please contact your local president for a COPE dues deduction form and sign up today! For more information, contact Minow at MEA-MFT (800-398-0826 or tminow@mea-mft.org) ■

## **MEA-MFT 2003 House of Representatives Voting Record**

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Arlene Becker (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
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Steve Gallus (D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Hal Jacobson (D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Christine Kaufmann (D)	Helena Valier	R_ R	R_ R	_R_ R	R R	R R	<u>R</u> R	R W	R R	R_ R	R R	<u>R</u> R	R R	<u>12</u> 11	100% 92%
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Gary Branae (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Eileen Carney (D)	Libby	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Paul Clark (D)	Trout Creek	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Gary Forrester (D)	Billings	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Carol Gibson (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Larry Jent (D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Jesse Laslovich (D)	Anaconda	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Monica Lindeen (D)	Huntley	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Gary Matthews (D)	Miles City	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	11	92%
Brad Newman (D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Jonathan Windy Boy (D)	Box Elder	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Sandy Weiss (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	Е	10	91%
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Tim Dowell (D)	Kalispell	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	R	10	83%
Ron Erickson (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	10	83%
Tom Facey (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	10	83%
Eve Franklin (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	R	10	83%
Dave Gallik (D)	Helena	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	10	83%
Kim Gillan (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	R	10	83%
Christopher Harris (D)	Bozeman	R	R	W	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R W	10	83% 83%
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Bob Lawson (R)	Whitefish	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	10	83%
John Musgrove (D)	Havre	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	W	10	83%
Bernie Olson (R)	Lakeside	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	10	83%
Holly Raser (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	10	83%
Brennan Ryan (D)	Stockett	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	W	10	83%
Frank Smith (D)	Poplar	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	R	10	83%
David Wanzenried (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	10	83%
Rosie Buzzas (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Tim Callahan (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Larry Cyr (D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Sue Dickenson (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Nancy Rice Fritz (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
George Golie (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Gail Gutsche (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Joey Jayne (D)	Arlee	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	W	9	75%
Ralph Lenhart (D)	Glendive	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	W	R	R	9	75%
John W. Parker	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	R	9	75%
Veronica Small-Eastman (D)	Lodge Grass	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	W	9	75%
Bill Wilson (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	W	9	75%

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**NOTE:** This voting record is ordered by percentage, listed from legislators with the highest to lowest percentage of correct votes, according to MEA-MFT positions.

# **House Voting Record** (Continued)

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Bob Lake (R)	* /															
Bruce Malcolm (R)         Emigrant         W         W         R         W         R         W         W         R         W         W         R         S         42%           Don Roberts (R)         Billings         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R	` ,														-	
Don Roberts (R)         Billings         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         R         R         W         W																
Jim Shockley (R)         Victor         W         W         R         W         W         W         R         R         R         R         W         W         R         5         42%           Ron Stoker (R)         Hamilton         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         A         A         36%         A         A         4         36%         A         A         A         36%         A         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         A         33%         A         B         B         A         W         W         W         W         W         W         W         <																
Ron Stoker (R)         Hamilton         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W	* *	-														
Karl Waitschies (R)         Peerless         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         S         42%           S. Bookout-Reinicke (R)         Alberton         W         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         R         4         36%           Verdell Jackson (R)         Kalispell         W         W         R         W         W         R         R         W																
S. Bookout-Reinicke (R)         Alberton         W         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         E         W         W         R         4         36%           Verdell Jackson (R)         Kalispell         W         W         R         W         W         W         R         R         W	` ,															
Verdell Jackson (R)         Kalispell         W         W         R         W         R         W         W         R         W<																
Rick Maedje (R)         Fortine         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         W         A         A         W	* *															
Joe McKenney (R)         Great Falls         W         W         R         R         W </td <td></td>																
Scott Mendenhall (R)         Cardwell         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         W         A         A         W<	, ,															
Jeff Pattison (R)         Glasgow         W         W         W         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         A         W																
Scott Sales (R)         Bozeman         W         W         W         W         W         W         W         R         R         R         R         W         W         4         33%           Jim Peterson (R)         Buffalo         W         W         E         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         E         3         30%           Jeff Laszloffy (R)         Laurel         W         W         W         R         A         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         3         27%           Stan Fisher (R)         Bigfork         W         W         R         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         3         25%           Penny Morgan (R)         Billings         W	` ,				W											
Jim Peterson (R)         Buffalo         W         W         E         R         W         W         R         R         W         W         E         3         30%           Jeff Laszloffy (R)         Laurel         W         W         W         R         A         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         3         27%           Stan Fisher (R)         Bigfork         W         W         W         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         3         25%           Penny Morgan (R)         Billings         W         W         W         W         W         W         W         R         R         W         W         W         3         25%           Diane Rice (R)         Harrison         W	` ,	-		W	W		W						W		4	
Stan Fisher (R)         Bigfork         W         W         R         W		Buffalo	W	W	Ε	R	W	W	W	R	R	W	W	Е	3	30%
Penny Morgan (R)         Billings         W         W         W         R         W	Jeff Laszloffy (R)	Laurel	W	W	W	R	Α	W	W	R	R	W	W	W	3	27%
Diane Rice (R)         Harrison         W	Stan Fisher (R)	Bigfork	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	R	R	W	W	W	3	25%
John Sinrud (R)         Bozeman         W         W         W         W         W         W         W         R         R         R         W         W         3         25%           Pat Wagman (R)         Livingston         W         W         R         W </td <td></td> <td>-</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>W</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>		-					W									
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Ray Hawk (R) Florence W W W W W R R W W W 2 17%																
Dave Kasten (R) Brockway W W W W W W R R W W W 2 17%	` ,	•														
TO BRIVER (R) ROZEMAN WY WY WY WY WY D WY	Joe Balyeat (R)	Bozeman	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	1	8%

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Mike Cooney (D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Brent Cromley (D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Ken "Kim" Hansen (D)	Harlem	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Sam Kitzenberg (R)	Glasgow	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Jeff Mangan (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Bea McCarthy (D)	Anaconda	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Linda Nelson (D)	Medicine Lake	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Gerald Pease (D)	Lodge Grass	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Glenn Roush (D)	Cut Bank	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Don Ryan (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Trudi Schmidt (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Debbie Shea (D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Jon Tester (D)	Big Sandy	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Ken Toole (D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	12	100%
Vicki Cocchiarella (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Jon Ellingson (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Carolyn Squires (D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Emily Stonington (D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Joe Tropila (D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	11	92%
Mike Wheat (D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	11	92%
Jim Elliott (D)	Trout Creek	E	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	91%
Dan Harrington (D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	E	W	R	E	R	R	R	R	9	90%
John Cobb (R)	Augusta	W	W	W	R	W	R	R	W	R	R	W	R	6	50%
John Bohlinger (R)	Billings	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	R	3	25%
Kelly Gebhardt (R)	Roundup	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	R	W	W	W	R	3	25%
Royal Johnson (R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	R	R	W	W	W	3	25%
Dale Mahlum (R)	Missoula	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	R	3	25%
Sherm Anderson (R)	Deer Lodge	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	2	17%
Duane Grimes (R)	Clancy	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	2	17%
Walter McNutt (R)	Sidney	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	R	2	17%
Corey Stapleton (R)	Billings	W	W	W	R	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	2	17%
Jerry Black (R)	Shelby	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	E		9%
Fred Thomas (R)	Stevensville	E	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	9%
Keith Bales (R)	Otter	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	8%
John Esp (R)	Big Timber	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	8%
Bill Glaser (R)	Huntley	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	8%
Bob Keenan (R)	Bigfork	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	8%
Rick Laible (R)	Victor	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	8%
Dan McGee (R)	Laurel	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	8%
Gary Perry (R)	Manhattan	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	8%
Bob Story (R)	Park City	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	8%
Bill Tash (R)	Dillon	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	8%
Tom Zook (R)	Miles City	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	8%
Jerry O'Neil (R)	Columbia Falls	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	1	8%
Gregory Barkus (R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
Edward Butcher (R)	Winifred	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
Aubyn Curtiss (R)	Fortine	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
Bob DePratu (R)	Whitefish	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
Mike Sprague (R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
Mike Taylor (R)	Proctor	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	0%
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