

City of Missoula Lobbyist Report
Week of February 18 - February 23, 2013

Bills and Committees Testified

Supported HB 194 Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws in S - Local Government; opposed HB 443 Revise termination and authorization of tax increment financing in H - Taxation; support SB 324 Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements in S - Local Government; oppose SB 284 Establish the property fairness act in S - Local Government; oppose HB 486 Revise municipal election laws to include property owners in H- Local Government; support HB 499 Amending conveyance exemptions for subdivision regulations in H- Local Government; support HB 531 Revise exemptions for certain divisions of land in H- Local Government; opposed SB 365 Revise laws related to use of chloride-based deicers on Montana roads in S - Local Government

Other Direct Lobbying

Lobbied members of S- Local Government on SB 365 Revise laws related to use of chloride-based deicers on Montana roads; lobbied bill sponsor for amendments on SB 324 Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements; lobbied members on H- Taxation to oppose HB 443 Revise termination and authorization of tax increment financing in H - Taxation.

Other Activities

Opposed SB 313 Generally revise electric scooter and electric bike laws in S- Highways and Transportation but after additional information was gathered withdrew our opposition. Tracked

executive action on SB 324 Generally revise the subdivision laws related to lease or rent requirements (passed out of committee, position is support), HB 314 Revising special district laws (passed out of committee as amended and passed 2nd reading, position is neutral as amended), SB 284 Establish the property fairness act (tabled, position was oppose), HB 486 Revise municipal election laws to include property owners (tabled, position was opposed), HB 499 Amending conveyance exemptions for subdivision regulations (passed out of committee, position was support), HB 531 Revise exemptions for certain divisions of land (passed out of committee, position was support), SB 365 Revise laws related to use of chloride-based deicers on Montana roads (tabled, position was oppose); networked with environmental groups on HB 365 regarding sponsor assertions regarding the bill.

SB 41 Prohibiting consideration of future subdivision impact also passed H- Local Government, amended, in executive action this week. **The City's position is opposed. During executive action, Legislative staff said the legislation will not impact local government's ability to take into consideration growth plans, transportation plans, and other planning policies when considering subdivision impact.**