

# 2009 MEA-MFT legislative voting record

## Report card time



**HB = House Bill**  
**SB = Senate Bill**

How did your legislators do in the 2009 legislative session? The MEA-MFT voting record tells all. Read on, and check legislators' records.

### Voting record explanation

The 2009 Montana House of Representatives was tied—50 Democrats, 50 Republicans. Good and bad bills died on tied partisan votes in committees. Consequently, MEA-MFT has an insufficient number of full House votes to judge where all representatives stood on our issues.

But we do have relevant committee votes to help us evaluate House member performance. The committee votes included in this voting record were votes on bills that, had they passed committee and gone to the floor, would have been included as 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> reading votes.

### Full House only votes

**HB 2 (Sesso) State budget.** HB 2 is the legislature's primary funding bill. It must pass. After hours of hearings and debate, the House Appropriations Committee passed HB 2 on to the full House. House Minority Leader Scott Sales (R) attempted to amend HB 2 on the floor, proposing to cut millions of dollars out of public education and state government funding. Below are just a few of Sales' amendments that would have been particularly harmful. *MEA-MFT position:* We opposed all of the following amendments. *Status:* Fortunately, all failed on the House floor.

**HB 2 Amendments (Sales).** Amendment numbers and purpose:

2005: Cut Higher Ed Student Assistance fund (WICHE, WAMI) \$4,854,818. *Vote:* House floor, failed 31-68.

2020: Cut OPI Administration \$500,000. *Vote:* House floor, failed 35-64.

2021: Cut Board of Public Ed Administration \$53,855. *Vote:* House floor, failed 38-61.

2082: Cut Department of Corrections Community Corrections by \$62,515,884, including: Adult probation and parole, Pre-release centers, Meth treatment programs, Treasure State boot camp, WATCH program (DUI offenders), Correction Connections (drug offenders), Administration and staff. *Vote:* House floor, failed 34-65.

**HB 13 (Hunter) State pay plan.** MEA-MFT and other state employee unions negotiate the pay plan with the governor; the legislature must in turn ratify. HB 13 provides increases in state contributions to employee health care plans in each year of the 2011 biennium and a one-time-only lump sum payment of \$450 for employees making less than \$45,000 per year.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading House, passed 36-62. 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, passed 5-45. *Status:* Now law.

**HB 152 (Hamilton) School facilities grant program.** HB 152 established a first-of-its-kind state-funded endowment to improve k-12 school facilities in Montana. \$13 million will be available this biennium to school districts through a competitive grant program.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading House, passed 23-77. 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, passed 18-32. *Status:* Now law.

**HB 459 (Grinde) Virtual Academy.** MEA-MFT bill. HB 459 creates a statewide virtual academy accessible to all Montana public school students. All courses will meet Montana board of public education accreditation standards and be taught by Montana licensed and endorsed teachers who are members of local bargaining units. MEA-MFT affiliates will negotiate rates of pay. Course offerings will start in the 2010-2011 school year.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading House, passed 22-78. 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, passed 17-33. *Status:* Now law.

**HB 625 (Randall) "Right to Work."** Same bill as SB 339 (See Bad Senate Bills, p. 11.) The speaker of the House never assigned HB 625 to committee. House Republican leaders attempted to blast the bill out of the speaker's desk drawer. Motion failed on a party line vote with one Republican member absent.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* Motion to blast off table in House, failed 49-50. *Status:* Died in speaker's desk drawer.

**HR 3 (More) Secession bill.** HR 3 endorsed secession from the Union! Passed in Texas, a similar proposition led to secession rallies across that state. The Montana House only narrowly defeated HR 3 on a 50-50 party

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line tie vote. Why did anyone vote for this?

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Votes:* 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading House, failed 50-50. *Status:* died in House.

#### House committee only votes

**HB 83 (Dickenson) TRS 2% multiplier at 30 years.** MEA-MFT bill. HB 83 required the legislature to raise the multiplier for calculating retirement benefits for teachers in the Teachers Retirement System at 30 years of service to 2%.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Vote:* House State Administration, failed 15-3. *Status:* Died in House State Administration.

**HB 87 (Dickenson) 1% increase in faculty Optional Retirement Plan.** MEA-MFT bill for our higher education members. HB 87 compelled the state to increase its contribution to university system faculty's retirement plan by 1%.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Vote:* House State Administration, failed 14-4. *Status:* Died in House State Administration.

**HB 198 (Hamilton) State funding to offset school district health insurance costs.** MEA-MFT bill. HB 198 appropriated \$1,000 in FY 10 and \$1,030 in FY 11 for eligible school district and state educational agency employees to help pay group health insurance premiums.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Vote:* House Education, died 8-8. *Status:* Died in House Education.

**HB 300 (Ingraham) Increase tax exemptions for Medical Savings Accounts.** HB 300 proposed tax incentives to encourage enrollment in high-deductible health care plans. High-deductible MSA health plans do not afford sufficient protection from risk of unexpected health care costs. \$5,000+ annual deductibles (and now often \$10,000+ family deductibles) coupled with low wages are unaffordable by most Montana families.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* House Taxation, failed 10-10. *Status:* Died in House Taxation.

**HB 369 (McClafferty) State funding component for Head Start.** MEA-MFT bill. MEA-MFT's first but not last attempt to create an ongoing state revenue stream for Montana's federally funded Head Start programs.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Vote:* House Education, failed 8-8. *Status:* died in House Education.

**HB 381 (Miller) Income tax credits for medical expenses.** HB 381 would save the state \$70 million a year in income tax credits for medical expenses that do nothing to control health care costs.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* House Taxation, failed 6-14. *Status:* Died in House Taxation.

**HB 388 (Van Dyk) Energy for Education.** Governor Schweitzer's HB 338 imposed a surtax of \$1 per barrel of oil and \$0.08 per thousand cubic feet of natural gas produced in Montana. Revenue from the surtax, almost \$70 million over the biennium, would have been distributed to schools via the quality educator component.

*MEA-MFT position:* Support. *Vote:* House Education, failed 8-8. *Status:* Died in House Education.

**HB 421 (Mendenhall) Muzzle politically active unions.** HB 421, deceptively and erroneously titled the "Montana Clean Government Act," caused any union to lose its bargaining rights should it engage in political action such as supporting or opposing ballot issues or assisting candidates for public office. Anti-union. Unconstitutional.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* House State Administration, failed 9-9. *Status:* Died in House State Administration.

**HB 624 (More) Tuition Tax Credits.** HB 624 was one of three tuition tax credit bills heard in the 2009 Legislature. See SB 342 and SB 512. *MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* House Taxation, failed 8-12. *Status:* Died in House Taxation.

**HB 679 (Stahl) Pension disaster.** HB 679 eliminated state defined benefit retirement plans (TRS and PERS) and replaced them with a defined contribution plan (401K).

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* House Taxation, failed 10-10. *Status:* Died in House Taxation.

#### Full Senate only votes

**SB 194 (McGee) Mini "Right to Work."** Senators McGee and Hinkle and Representative Randall all introduced "right to work"



bills. SB 194 was the least comprehensive in that it prohibited unions from organizing professional land surveyors and interns. See SB 339 and HB 625.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Senate, failed 23-25. *Status:* Died in Senate.

**SB 253 (Steinbeisser) Tip credit.** SB 253 capped minimum wage increases for tipped workers at \$6.90 per hour, even if the minimum wage rate were higher. SB 253 permitted employers to use employee tips to offset the difference between \$6.90 and any higher minimum wage amount. Montana's minimum wage would become a guarantee for everyone except tipped employees.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Senate, died 21-29. *Status:* Died in Senate.

**SB 342 (Essman) Tuition tax credit for students attending private schools.** SB 342 provided individuals and corporations a tax credit for contributing to student scholarship funds, religious and nonreligious. SB 342 paved the way for state sponsored and funded privatization of public schools. Unconstitutional.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Senate, failed 24-26. *Status:* Died in Senate.

**SB 484 (Bayleat) Work until you drop.** SB 484 imposed a 6% per year penalty on public employees enrolled in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) and all teachers enrolled in the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) who retire before age 65, regardless of their number of years of service.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, failed 24-26, two motions to reconsider, both failed 23-24. *Status:* Died in Senate.

#### **Full Senate votes and House committee votes**

**SB 67 (Liable) Gut the board of public education.** SB 67 gave the legislature veto power over any board of public education change in Montana public school accreditation standards. MEA-MFT has forever defended the board's constitutional authority.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, passed 28-22. *Status:* Died in House Education.

**SB 80 (McGee) Elect board of regents.** SB 80 proposed a constitutional amendment requiring election of the state board of regents.

SB 80 would have turned a nonpartisan policy-making board into a board charged with partisan politics. Montana's constitutional framers thoughtfully sought to keep partisan politics and political whims at arm's length from educational decisions affecting Montana public university schools and students.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Vote:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, failed 20-30. *Status:* Died in House Education.

**SB 81 (McGee) Elect board of public education.** SB 81 proposed a constitutional amendment to require the election of the board of public education. For the same reasons as with SB 80, we opposed this bill.

*MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, failed 21-29. House motion to blast out of committee, failed 46-44. *Status:* Died in House Education.

**SB 431 (Roy Brown) Drug testing certain employees.** SB 431 required anyone handling medical information to submit to drug testing without cause. *MEA-MFT position:* Oppose. *Votes:* 3<sup>rd</sup> reading Senate, passed 27-23; House Business and Labor, failed 7-11. *Status:* Died in House Business and Labor.

#### **Full House and full Senate votes**

**HB 13 (Hunter) State pay plan.** Described on p. 1.

**HB 152 (Hamilton) School facilities grant program.** Described on p. 1.

**HB 459 (Grinde) Virtual academy.** Described on p. 1.

#### **BILL SPONSOR CREDITS & DEBITS**

In addition to holding legislators accountable for their votes on various bills, MEA-MFT also held them accountable for bills they sponsored. Bill sponsors get a 10% credit for each good bill sponsored and a 10% debit for each bad bill sponsored.

#### **Good House bills**

**HB 13 (Hunter).** Described on p. 1.

**HB 152 (Hamilton).** Described on p. 1.

**HB 305 (Calf Boss Ribs) Retirement costs for federally funded employees.** HB 305 repealed an earlier law that requires school districts to fund the retirement benefits of federally funded district employees out of the

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school district's general fund rather than the county retirement fund. Died in House Appropriations. No vote.

**HB 369 (McClafferty).** Described on p. 2.

**HB 459 (Grinde).** Described on p. 1.

#### **Bad House bills**

**HB 300 (Ingraham).** Described on p. 2.

**HB 381 (Miller).** Described on p. 2.

**HR 3 (More).** Described on p. 1.

#### **Good Senate bills**

**SB 69 (Branae) Quality educator payment.** SB 69 increased state funding of the quality educator payment to \$4,600 for fiscal year 2010 and to \$6,200 for each succeeding fiscal year driving \$61 million dollars into k-12 public schools over the biennium. Died in Senate Finance and Claims.

**SB 70 (Branae) School funding.** SB 70 applied a 3% inflationary adjustment to k-12 base aid and other general fund components including the quality educator payment, At-Risk Students, and Indian Education for All. SB 70 increased state funding \$50 million over the biennium. Died in Senate Finance and Claims.

**SB 251 (Wanzenried) Classified school employee unemployment.** MEA-MFT bill. Unlike other seasonal workers in Montana, school district classified employees are NOT eligible to collect unemployment insurance benefits during months of actual unemployment. Many of these employees desperately need these benefits to support themselves and their families. MEA-MFT has attempted to correct this situation for years. Died in Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

#### **Bad Senate bills**

**SB 67 (Liable).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 80 (McGee).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 81 (McGee).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 253 (Steinbeisser).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 254 (Steinbeisser) Repeal inflationary adjustment in minimum wage.** In 2006, by a 70-30 margin, Montana voters passed Initiative 152 to raise the minimum wage and include an annual inflationary adjustment. SB

254 would have repealed the inflationary adjustment. MEA-MFT was a primary advocate of Initiative 152. Died in Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 279 (Roy Brown) NEW teacher signing bonus.** SB 279 proposed a one-time only \$10,000 signing bonus for up to 300 new (and only new) teachers. Died in Senate Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 339 (Hinkle) "Right to Work."** A typical "Right to Work" bill. Montana's collective bargaining law gives workers the right to form a union and mandates that the union represent all members of the bargaining unit equally regardless of membership status.

The law also gives unions the right to collect fees from those who choose not to belong to the union. Like all "Right to Work" legislation, SB 339 denied unions the right to demand fair share payment for the work unions are required to do by law. Died in Senate Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 342 (Essman).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 484 (Balyeat).** Described on p. 3.

**SB 512 (Windy Boy) Tuition tax credits.** SB 512 created a \$36 million biennial income tax credit for certain expenses in public, private, and home schools. Unconstitutional. Bad public policy. Incredibly expensive. Died in Senate Taxation. ■

## **THE VOTING RECORD ►**

Legislators' votes and bill sponsor credits & debits begin on p. 5.

### **Voting record key:**

HB = House Bill

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R = Right vote according to MEA-MFT position

W = Wrong vote according to MEA-MFT position

A = Absent (did not vote), counts as a wrong vote

E = Excused absence, counts for nothing



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			HB2 AMD 2005 Sales	HB2 AMD 2020 Sales	HB2 AMD 2021 Sales	HB2 AMD 2082 Sales	HB13	HB152	HB459	HB625	HR3	SB81	HB83 State Admin	HB87 State Admin	HB198 House Ed	HB300 House Tax	HB369 House Ed	HB381 House Tax	HB388 House Ed	HB421 State Admin	HB624 House Tax	HB679 House tax			SB67 House Ed	SB80 House Ed	SB81 House Ed	SB431 B&L	%Right	Bill Sponsorship
Shannon	(D)	Browning	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Dick	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Paul	(D)	Red Lodge	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Arlene	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Bob	(D)	Havre	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Anders	(D)	G. Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Carlie	(D)	G. Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Frosty	(D)	Ht. Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	10%	100%	A
Marg.	(D)	Poplar	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Jill	(D)	E. Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Sue	(D)	G. Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	20%	100%	A
Robyn	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Bob	(D)	Livingston	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
John	(D)	St. Ignatius	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Timothy	(D)	Milltown	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Wanda	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	10%	100%	A
Robin	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	10%	100%	A
Teresa	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Galen	(D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Chuck	(D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Mike	(D)	Whitefish	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	10%	100%	A
Deborah	(D)	G. Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Marg.	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Dave	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Bill	(D)	Miles City	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Edith	(D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	10%	100%	A
Robert	(D)	G. Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Mike	(D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Pat	(D)	Ramsay	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Art	(D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Carolyn	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
JP	(D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Michele	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
David	(D)	Busby	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Diane	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A

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Bill Beck	(R)	Whitefish	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	18%		F	
Mike Milburn	(R)	Cascade	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	18%		F	
Scott Reichner	(R)	Bigfork	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	18%		F	
Russell Bean	(R)	Augusta	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	16%		F	
Gordon Hendrick	(R)	Superior	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	15%		F	
Jon Sonju	(R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	14%		F	
David Howard	(R)	Park City	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	11%		F	
Ted Washburn	(R)	Bozeman	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	11%		F	
Mark Blasdel	(R)	Somers	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Edward Butcher	(R)	Winifred	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Ray Hawk	(R)	Florence	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Scott Mendenhall	(R)	Ciency	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Ken Peterson	(R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Keith Regier	(R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	10%		F	
Janna Taylor	(R)	Dayton	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	7%		F	
Bob Lake	(R)	Hamilton	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	5%		F	
Gerald Bennett	(R)	Libby	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Joel Boniek	(R)	Livingston	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Pat Ingraham	(R)	Th. Falls	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Dave Kasten	(R)	Brockway	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%	-10%	F	
Krayton Kerns	(R)	Laurel	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Tom McGillvray	(R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Mike Miller	(R)	Helmville	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	7%	-10%	F	
Michael More	(R)	G. Gateway	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%	-20%	F	
Lee Randall	(R)	Broadus	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Scott Sales	(R)	Bozeman	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Cary Smith	(R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Wayne Stahl	(R)	Saco	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	7%	-10%	F	
Gordon Vance	(R)	Bozeman	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
Bob Wagner	(R)	Harrison	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		F	
<b>NO. OF MEA-MFT RIGHT VOTES</b>			<b>68</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>					

# 2009 Senate voting record

NAME	PARTY	TOWN	SB194	SB 253	SB342	SB484	SB 67	SB 80	SB 81	SB431	HB13	HB 152	HB 459	% Right	Bill Sponsorship	Final %	Final Grade
Gary	Braae	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	20%	100%	A
Mike	Cooney	(D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Ron	Erickson	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Steve	Gallus	(D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Kim	Gillan	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Bradley	Hamlett	(D)	Cascade	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Ken	Hansen	(D)	Harlem	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Bob	Hawks	(D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Larry	Jent	(D)	Bozeman	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Carol	Juneau	(D)	Browning	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Christine	Kaufmann	(D)	Helena	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Jim	Keane	(D)	Butte	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Cliff	Larsen	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Jesse	Laslovich	(D)	Anaconda	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Lynda	Moss	(D)	Billings	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Trudi	Schmidt	(D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Carolyn	Squires	(D)	Missoula	E	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Mitch	Tropila	(D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
David	Wanzenried	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%	20%	100%	A
Carol	Williams	(D)	Missoula	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	100%		100%	A
Sharon	S-Peregoy	(D)	Cr Agency	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	91%		91%	A
Joe	Tropila	(D)	Great Falls	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	91%		91%	A
Jonathan	Windy Boy	(D)	Box Elder	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	91%	-10%	81%	B
Terry	Murphy	(R)	Cardwell	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	W	R	R	73%		73%	C
Ryan	Zinke	(R)	Whitefish	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	W	R	R	73%		73%	C
John	Brueggeman	(R)	Polson	W	R	R	R	R	W	W	W	R	R	64%		64%	D
Dave	Lewis	(R)	Helena	W	R	R	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	45%		45%	F
Taylor	Brown	(R)	Huntley	R	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	36%		36%	F
Rick	Ripley	(R)	Wolf Creek	W	W	R	W	W	R	W	W	R	W	36%		36%	F
Bruce	Tutvedt	(R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	W	R	W	36%		36%	F
Rick	Laible	(R)	Darby	E	R	W	W	W	R	R	W	R	W	40%	-10%	30%	F
Jerry	Black	(R)	Shelby	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	27%		27%	F
Gary	Perry	(R)	Manhattan	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	27%		27%	F
Donald	Steinbeisser	(R)	Sidney	W	W	R	W	W	R	R	W	R	W	45%	-20%	25%	F
Debby	Barrett	(R)	Dillon	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	18%		18%	F
Aubyn	Curtiss	(R)	Fortine	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	18%		18%	F
Jim	Peterson	(R)	Buffalo	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	18%		18%	F
Keith	Bales	(R)	Otter	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%		9%	F
Gregory	Barkus	(R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%		9%	F
John	Esp	(R)	Big Timber	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%		9%	F
Kelly	Gebhardt	(R)	Roundup	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%		9%	F
Robert	Story	(R)	Park City	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%		9%	F
Roy	Brown	(R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	R	W	18%	-10%	8%	F
Jeff	Essmann	(R)	Billings	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	R	W	18%	-10%	8%	F
Joe	Balyeat	(R)	Bozeman	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%	-10%	0%	F
John	Brenden	(R)	Scobey	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		0%	F
Greg	Hinkle	(R)	Th. Falls	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%	-10%	0%	F
Verdell	Jackson	(R)	Kalispell	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		0%	F
Daniel	McGee	(R)	Laurel	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	9%	-30%	0%	F
Jim	Shockley	(R)	Victor	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0%		0%	F
<b>NO. OF MEA-MFT RIGHT VOTES</b>				25	29	26	26	22	30	29	23	45	32	33			