Interim Study Recommended Assignments Including Interim Committee Overviews 2025-2026 Interim

| SJ HJ | Rank | Points | Study Short Title | Committee |
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| HJ 61 | 1 | 1902 | Study of the property insurance market in Montana | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |
| HJ 42 | 2 | 1660 | Interim study on procurement, no-bid contracts, and transparency on no-bid purchases | State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee |
| HJ 40 | 3 | 1653 | Interim study on transferring fiscal note production from executive branch to legislative branch | Legislative Finance Committee |
| SJ 12 | 4 | 1548 | Interim study on energy transmission | Energy and Technology Interim Committee |
| SJ 21 | 5 | 1543 | Interim study on interstate power grid development | Energy and Technology Interim Committee |
| SJ 28 | 6 | 1412 | Interim study on the legislature's ethics processes | Legislative Council |
| HJ 62 | 7 | 1321 | Study resolution on wildfire safety | Environmental Quality Council |
| HJ 23 | 8 | 1306 | Interim study on youth court laws | Law and Justice Interim Committee |
| HJ 44 | 9 | 1274 | Interim study of endocrine-disrupting chemicals and water quality | Water Policy Interim Committee |
| HJ 53 | 10 | 1273 | Request an interim study on school safety | Education Interim Committee |
| НЈ 26 | 11 | 1228 | Study guardianships and conservatorships | Children, Families, Health and Human Services Committee |
| нј 30 | 12 | 1206 | Study resolution on incentivizing housing density and affordability | Local Government Interim Committee |
| HJ 04 | 13 | 1205 | Interim study on artificial intelligence | Energy and Technology Interim Committee |
| НЈ 28 | 14 | 1135 | Interim study to identify and improve access to federal grant opportunities for the state of Montana, tribal governments, and local government entities | Local Government Interim Committee |
| HJ 74 | 15 | 1131 | Study analyzing water re-use in the state | Water Policy Interim Committee |
| SJ 33 | 16 | 1035 | Interim study of the prescription drug supply chain | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |

| | | | Interim study on moving the date of the primary | State Administration and Veterans' |
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| HJ 48 | 17 | 1033 | election | Affairs Interim Committee |
| SJ 42 | 18 | 937 | Interim study of noxious weed control | Environmental Quality Council |
| SJ 35 | 19 | 936 | Interim study of voter list maintenance and integrity | State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee |
| SJ 48 | 20 | 921 | Interim study of the public health and safety impacts of marijuana legalization | Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee |
| SJ 11 | 21 | 903 | Interim study on farmer's markets and food systems | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |
| SJ 13 | 22 | 880 | Study resolution for emergency medical services | Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee |
| SJ 08 | 23 | 868 | Request interim study of property tax special districts | Revenue Interim Committee |
| HJ 47 | 24 | 863 | Study resolution on local government entity cooperation | Local Government Interim Committee |
| нЈ 56 | 25 | 826 | Study of search and rescue services and funding | Law and Justice Interim Committee |
| SJ 37 | 26 | 820 | Interim survey of behavioral health services in Montana | Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee |
| SJ 19 | 27 | 789 | Joint resolution to study public transportation | Transportation Interim Committee |
| нј 50 | 28 | 774 | Study of uniform common interest ownership laws | Local Government Interim Committee |
| SJ 29 | 29 | 763 | Interim study resolution on coordinating efforts between OPI and DPHHS in addressing the impacts on children of prenatal exposure to meth and fentanyl | Children, Families, and Health, and Human Services Committee |
| HJ 52 | 30 | 731 | Interim study on Montana cattle industry | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |
| HJ 45 | 31 | 701 | Interim study on the impact collateral consequences have on criminal record expungement | Criminal Justice Oversight Council |
| HJ 27 | 32 | 687 | Interim study on laws regarding morticians and funeral services | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |
| HJ 32 | 33 | 666 | Interim study of advanced investigator qualifications for law enforcement | Law and Justice Interim Committee |
| нј 55 | 34 | 660 | Study on property management licensing and practice | Economic Affairs Interim Committee |
| SJ 49 | 35 | 589 | Study of youth and family behavioral health prevention | Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee |
| SJ 36 | 36 | 316 | Study dependent neglect standards for prosecutors | Criminal Justice Oversight Council |

| Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee | | |
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| Statutory duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-225, MCA | | |
| НЈ 26 | Study guardianships and conservatorships | |
| SJ 48 | Interim study of the public health and safety impacts of marijuana legalization | |
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| SJ 37 | Interim survey of behavioral health services in Montana | |
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| SJ 49 | Study of youth and family behavioral health prevention | |

Other Considerations:

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| Economic Affairs Interim Committee | | |
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| Statutory duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-223, MCA | | |
| HJ 61 | Study of the property insurance market in Montana | |
| SJ 33 | Interim study of the prescription drug supply chain | |
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| Education Interim Committee | | | |
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| Statutory duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-224, MCA | | | |
| НЈ 53 | Request an interim study on school safety | | |
| Other Cor | Other Considerations: | | |
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| | Energy and Technology Interim Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-230, MCA | | |
| SJ 12 | Interim study on energy transmission | | |
| SJ 21 | Interim study on interstate power grid development | | |
| HJ 04 | Interim study on artificial intelligence | | |
| Other cor | nsiderations: | | |
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| | Environmental Quality Council | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-202, 5-5-215, and 5-16-101, et seq., MCA | | |
| HB 70 | Study of wildland firefighting | | |
| HJ 62 | Study resolution on wildfire safety | | |
| SJ 42 | Interim study of noxious weed control | | |
| Other Co | nsiderations: | | |
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| | Law and Justice Interim Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-225, MCA | | |
| HJ 23 | Interim study on youth court laws | | |
| НЈ 56 | Study of search and rescue services and funding | | |
| НЈ 32 | Interim study of advanced investigator qualifications for law enforcement | | |
| Other Considerations: • | | | |

| Local Government Interim Committee | | | |
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| Statutory duties: 5-5-232, MCA | | | |
| НЈ 30 | Study resolution on incentivizing housing density and affordability | | |
| HJ 28 | Interim study to identify and improve access to federal grant opportunities for the state of Montana, tribal governments, and local government entities | | |
| HJ 47 | Study resolution on local government entity cooperation | | |
| НЈ 50 | Study of uniform common interest ownership laws | | |
| Other Co | nsiderations: | | |
| | State-Tribal Relations Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-202, 5-5-215, and 5-5-229, MCA | | |
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| Other Co | Other Considerations: | | |
| | Revenue Interim Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-227, MCA | | |
| SJ 08 | Request interim study of property tax special districts | | |
| Other Co | Other Considerations: • | | |
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| | State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-228, MCA | | |
| HJ 42 | Interim study on procurement, no-bid contracts, and transparency on no-bid purchases | | |
| HJ 48 | Interim study on moving the date of the primary election | | |
| SJ 35 | Interim study of voter list maintenance and integrity | | |
| Other Co | Other Considerations: • | | |

| | Transportation Interim Committee | | |
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| Statutory duties: 5-5-202, MCA | | | |
| SJ 19 | Joint resolution to study public transportation | | |
| Other Cor | Other Considerations: • | | |
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| | Water Policy Interim Committee | | |
| Statutory | duties: 5-5-215 and 5-5-231, MCA | | |
| HJ 44 | Interim study of endocrine-disrupting chemicals and water quality | | |
| SJ 74 | Study analyzing water re-use in the state | | |
| Other Cor | nsiderations: | | |
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| | Other Committees/Commissions/Study Bodies | | |
| | Criminal Justice Oversight Council | | |
| Statutory | Duties: | | |
| HJ 45 | Interim study on the impact collateral consequences have on criminal record expungement | | |
| SJ 36 | Study dependent neglect standards for prosecutors | | |
| Other Cor | Other Considerations: | | |
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| MUS Investigation Committee | | | |
| Statutory duties: HB 284, 2025 Session | | | |
| HB 284 (2025) | Investigate civil rights violations and acts of censorship committed by the Montana university system | | |
| Membership 8 Legislators: 4 House members (2 from each party); 4 Senate members (2 from each party) | | | |

School Funding Interim Commission

Membership: 8 Legislators (4 Senate, 4 House); 2 Board of Regents; 1 member of the Board of Public Education; President of the Montana Associated Students; 2 members appointed by Governor (1 Tribal College); 2 Public Members.

Appropriation: \$57,000

HB 153 Establishing the 2-Year Education Restructuring Review Commission

The commission shall:

- (1) review the history and reasons for the Montana university system incorporating vocational-technical institutions in the system;
- (2) analyze the impacts of the restructuring on the efficiency and effectiveness of 2year education in the university system;
- (3) consider how the university system addresses student demand for career and technical education training within its 2-year colleges;
- (4) examine the potential for restructuring 2-year education in the Montana university system to enhance offerings in career and technical education;
- (5) review the governance and organizational structures of university systems in other states and consider whether a different structure would lead to a more effective and efficient university system in Montana; and
- (6) prepare a report of findings and recommendations for submission to the 67th Legislature.

| Administrative Committee Assignments | | |
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| Legislative Council | | |
| Authority: Article V, Section 10, Montana Constitution and 5-11-101, MCA | | |
| SJ 28 | Interim study on the legislature's ethics processes | |
| Legislative Finance Committee | | |
| Authority: 5-12-201, MCA | | |
| НЈ 40 | Interim study on transferring fiscal note production from executive branch to legislative branch | |
| Legislative Audit Committee | | |
| Authority: Article V, Section 10, Montana Constitution and 5-13-201, MCA | | |
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