

SAVA Interim Committee Legislation Idea Tracker

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Topic / Legislation Idea(s)	Meeting Discussed	Notes / Questions & Considerations
SJ 35 STUDY		
Make notices forwardable in 13-2-207 and 13-2-220	September	Would the change conflict with federal regulations or guidance?
Require school clerks to notify county election administrator of any returned school election materials	September	Frequency? Specify process in law or rule?
Streamline process and increase frequency in 50-15-409 and add definition for "Montana resident"	November	Current DPHHS guidance: "The decedent is considered a Montana resident if the reported state of residence (the address that is listed) on the death certificate is Montana."
Require clerks of court to notify count election administrator of returned jury notices	November	Frequency? Specify process in law or rule?
Increase the frequency of required voter roll maintenance in 13-2-220	January	How often? Would the change cause increased costs and/or need for additional staff?
Add best practices and suggestions from Heather Honey's UOCAVA presentation (slides 7, 15, 24) to the MCA	January	Impact to current UOCAVA voters? Would there be any implementation and/or ongoing expenses?
Add definition of "unsound mind" to the MCA	January	Are there examples from other states? What are the broader consequences of adding a definition to code?
HJ 48 STUDY		
Align Filing Timelines for Special District and School Elections	January	How would the changes impact the schools and special districts? Which schedule would better accommodate both?
VETERANS' AFFAIRS		
Regulations for Private Companies Targeting Veterans	January	What current regulations exist? How have other states approached this issue?
Add FTE for Additional Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) and Create an Education/Outreach Position	January	How many positions are needed, where in the state should they be located, and how much will it cost?