

2017-2018 Interim Appointments: 65th Legislature

(As of May 23, 2017)

Subject to change

Committee to be Appointed	Deadline for Appointment	Appointing Authority and Number of Members	Legal Citation	2015-2016 Appointments	2017-2018 Appointments
Legislative Council Susan Fox, LSD Executive Director, x. 3066	Immediately following organization of House and Senate	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) [Speaker, President, and Minority Leaders serve <i>ex officio</i>] ¹	5-11-101 5-11-102	Hess, Essmann, Bryce Bennett, MacDonald Keenan, Buttrey, Facey, <i>Driscoll</i> Knudsen, Barrett, Hunter, Sesso	Berglee, Galt, Schreiner Morigeau Thomas, Buttrey, Facey, Pomnichowski Knudsen, Sales, Eck, Sesso
Environmental Quality Council Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Policy Analyst, x. 3747	Before 50th day (March 6, 2017) *Vacancies must be filled no later than 10th legislative day (January 13, 2017) ² 50% from standing committees that consider same issues, at least one from a joint sub, Ch. 390, L. 2015 removed term limits.	Speaker (6 Representatives; 2 members of the public with concurrence of minority leader) ³ Committee on Committees (6 Senators) President of the Senate (2 members of the public with concurrence of minority leader)	5-16-101 5-16-103 5-16-104	J. Bennett, White, Manzella, Curdy, Ellis, Lieser Scott Aspenlieder Bert Linder C. Smith, Ripley, Brenden, Keane, Vuckovich, Phillips Brooke Erb Roy Morris	White, Manzella, Gunderson, Hamlett Curdy, Ellis Scott Aspenlieder Kylie Paul C. Smith, Lang, Vincent, Pomnichowski, Vuckovich, Phillips Matt Vincent John Brenden

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Legislative Consumer Committee Robert Nelson, Consumer Counsel, x. 2771	Before 60th day (March 17, 2017) Vacancies must be filled no later than 10th legislative day (January 13, 2017) ²	Speaker (2) Committee on Committees (2) ⁴ A member serves until term of office ends or successor is appointed.	5-15-101 through 5-15-105	Cuffe, Olsen J. Taylor, Driscoll	Cuffe, Olsen Fielder, Malek
Districting and Apportionment Commission Susan Fox, Leg. Services	During the regular session immediately preceding the taking of the census ⁵	[Civil Office – no legislators.] Senate Majority Leader (1) ⁶ House Majority Leader (1) Senate Minority Leader (1) House Minority Leader (1) First four members choose or Supreme Court (1)	Article V, section 14, Montana Constitution 5-1-101 5-1-102	No appointment necessary	No appointment necessary until 2019
Legislative Audit Committee Angus Maciver, Legislative Auditor	Before <i>sine die</i> Vacancies must be filled no later than 10th legislative day (January 13, 2017) ²	Speaker (6) Committee on Committees (6)	5-13-202	Brodehl, Burnett, Holmlund, Court, Tropila, Hayman McNally, Dee Brown, T. Brown, Pomnichowski, Tutvedt, Vuchovich	Brodehl, Burnett, Bartel, Court, Abbott, Hayman McNally, Dee Brown, Keenan, MacDonald, Gauthier, Vuckovich,
Legislative Finance Committee Amy Carlson, Legislative Fiscal Analyst	Before <i>sine die</i> Vacancies must be filled before 10 th legislative day (January 13, 2017) ²	Speaker (2) Chairman of House Appropriation (4 members of the Committee) Committee on Committees (2) Chairman of the Fin and Claims Committee (4 mem of the Comm)	5-12-202	Osmundson, Noonan Ballance, Dudik, Tropila, Tschida Moore, Wolken Jones, Keenan, Caferro, Sesso	Holmlund, McCarthy Ballance, Dudik, Ryan, Hopkins Osmundson, Wolken Jones, Sesso McClafferty, Moore

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<p>Ten interim committees (listed below)</p> <p>Susan Fox, Legislative Services</p>	<p>Before <i>sine die</i></p>	<p>Speaker (4 or 6 as listed below)</p> <p>Committee on Committees (4 or 6 as listed below)</p> <p>Appointments categorical as noted below⁷</p>	<p>5-5-211</p>		
<p>1. Economic Affairs Interim Committee</p>	<p>Before <i>sine die</i></p>	<p>Speaker (4)</p> <p>Committee on Committees (4)</p> <p>Not less than half from:</p> <p>House: Business and Labor Agriculture Appropriations Federal Relations, Energy, & Telecommunications</p> <p>Senate: Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation Finance & Claims</p>	<p>5-5-211</p>	<p>Ricci, Lang, Lynch, McConnell</p> <p>Ripley, Vance, Whitford, Facey</p>	<p>Noland, Ricci, McConnell, Stewart-Peregoy</p> <p>Buttrey, Vance, Facey, Whitford</p>
<p>2. Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee</p>	<p>Before <i>sine die</i></p>	<p>Speaker (4)</p> <p>Committee on Committees (4)</p> <p>Not less than half from:</p> <p>House: Human Services Appropriations</p> <p>Senate: Public Health, Welfare, and Safety Finance & Claims</p>	<p>5-5-211</p>	<p>Ehli, Olszewski, Pierson, Karjala</p> <p>Webb, Moore, Sands, Caferro</p>	<p>Lenz, Knokey, Pierson, Kelker</p> <p>Moore, Olszewski, Caferro, Sands</p>

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3. Education Interim Committee	Before <i>sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) Not less than half from: House: Education Appropriations Senate: Education and Cultural Resources Finance & Claims	5-5-211	Formerly Education and Local Government Committee Lamm, Jones, Berglee, Funk, Price, Woods Vance, Arntzen, Rosendale, Stewart-Peregoy, Cohenour, Moe	Jones, Anderson, Funk, Bachmeier Salomon, Tempel, Facey, McClafferty
4. Local Government Interim Committee	Before <i>sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) Not less than half from: House: Local Government Appropriations Senate: Local Government Finance & Claims	(SB 151, Ch. , L. 2017)		A.Hertz, Trebas, Fern, Dunwell Webb, Thomas, Boland, MacDonald

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5. Law and Justice Interim Committee	Before <i>sine die</i>	Speaker (6) Committee on Committees (6) Not less than half from: House: Judiciary Appropriations Senate: Judiciary Finance & Claims	5-5-211	Lavin, Laszloffy, Mortensen, Eck, Hill, Pease-Lopez Sales, Swandal, Kary, Malek, Moe, Sands	Patelis, Usher, Sheldon-Galloway, Lynch, Karjala, Kipp Regier, Sales, Swandel, Gross, MacDonald, Sands
6. Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee	Before <i>sine die</i>	Speaker (6) Committee on Committees (6) Not less than half from: House: Taxation Transportation Appropriations Senate: Taxation Highways and Transportation Finance & Claims	5-5-211	Essmann, Hertz, Redfield, Jacobson, Peppers, Smith Hoven, Thomas, Blasdel, Barrett, Malek, Kaufmann	G.Hertz, Redfield, Beard, Jacobson, Smith, Hamilton Ankney, Blasdel, Hoven, Barrett, Cohenour, McClafferty
7. State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee	Before <i>sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) Not less than half from: House: State Administration Appropriations Senate: State Administration Finance & Claims	5-5-211	Mandeville, McKamey, B. Bennett, Swanson D. Brown, Kary, Larsen, Windy Boy	Mandeville, McKamey, Swanson, Hayman Brown, Kary, Malek, F. Smith

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8. Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee	<i>Before sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) Committee members appointed must be selected from the following standing committees: House: Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications; Appropriations. Senate: Finance and Claims Energy	5-5-211	Zolnikov, Regier, Steenberg, Pope Connell, Ankney, Larsen, Driscoll	Zolnikov, Skees, Perry, Bishop Richmond, Sales, McNally, Wolken
State-Tribal Relations Committee	<i>Before sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4)	5-5-229	Doane, Greef, Kipp, Perry Hansen, Fielder, Windy Boy, Cohenour	Doane, O'Hara, Windy Boy, Peppers Hinebauch, Small, Gross, Whitford
Water Policy Committee	<i>Before sine die</i>	Speaker (4) Committee on Committees (4) At least two members of the committee must possess experience in agriculture.	5-5-231	B. Brown, Glimm, Williams, Z Brown Fielder, Vincent, Hamlett, Stewart-Peregoy	Glimm, B.Brown, Z.Brown, Fleming Connell, Welborn, Cohenour, Sesso

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Legislative Branch Information technology (formerly Computer Systems) Planning Council	Not specified	Speaker: The chief clerk and other representative of the House ⁸ President: Secretary of the Senate and other representative of the Senate ⁸ Sergeant-at-Arms or other representative of the respective house – [omitted if HB 560 passes]	5-11-402	Grovom Wagoner Marilyn Miller Webb, Pommichowski	
CSG West - Legislative Council on River Governance	Not specified	Legislative Council (4)	Legislative Council action	Perry, “Doc” Moore Fielder, Vuchovich	
Pacific Northwest Economic Region Susan Fox or Matt Morrison	Not specified	Speaker (1) House Minority Leader (1) President (1) Senate Minority Leader (1)	5-11-707	Cuffe (alt:Wagoner) Williams (alt: Steenberg) Vincent (Dee Brown) Larsen (Sesso)	Cuffe Morigeau Wolken (Sesso)

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<p>NCSL & CSG Interstate Committees</p> <p>(Susan Fox)</p>	<p>Not specified</p>	<p>Legislative Council (<i>with recommendations from Speaker, H. Minority Leader, President, S. Minority Leader</i>)</p>	<p>5-11-305</p>		
<p>Board of Investments Legislative Liaisons</p> <p>(Dana Chapman, Board of Investments PO Box 200126 2401 Colonial Drive, 3rd Floor Helena MT 59620-0126 406-444-0002 dchapman@mt.gov www.investmentmt.com)</p>	<p>Through even-numbered year</p>	<p>President (1 senator)</p> <p>Speaker (1 rep)</p> <p>May not be same party, preference to legislators who have a background in investments or finance</p>	<p>2-15-1808</p>	<p>Sen. Bob Keenan (12/31/2016)</p> <p>Rep. McCarthy (12/31/2016)</p>	<p>Sen. Scott Sales (12/31/18)</p> <p>Rep. McCarthy (12/31/2018)</p>
<p>Board of Research and Commercialization Technology (Montana)</p> <p>David Desch, Dept. of Comm, 841-2759</p>	<p>2-year term; (due to staggering, there will be appointments each June or July 1)⁹</p>	<p>[Civil Office – no legislators.]</p> <p>Speaker (1) –</p> <p>House Minority Leader (1) – reminder 6/16</p> <p>President (1) – reminder 6/16</p> <p>Senate Minority Leader (1) – reminder 6/15</p>	<p>2-15-1819</p>	<p>Dr. Robert Bargatze (resigned) Jim Davison to serve (exp. 6/16)</p> <p>Eric Fulton (6/30/16)</p> <p>Larry Farrar (exp. 6/17)</p>	<p>Jim Davison (exp. 6/30/18)</p> <p>Eric Fulton (6/30/18)</p>

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Board of Review for One-Stop Licensing Cathy Fitzgerald, x6789	Not specified	[Civil Office – no legislators.] Speaker: 1 individual who is not a legislator President: 1 individual who is not a legislator	30-16-302	Diane Rice	John Brenden
Capital Complex Advisory Council Angie Gifford, DofA	Not specified	Speaker (2) Committee on Committees (2)	2-17-803	McKamey, Price Debby Barrett, Hamlett	W.Sales, Price Kary, Sands
Community Health Center Advisory Group	Not specified – 2 year terms	Speaker (2, from different parties) President (2, from different parties)	50-4-810 (HB 406, ch. 436, L. 2007)	Olszewski, Court Thomas, Sands	Terminated.
Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children		President	20-1-230	Ed Buttrey	
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program Advisory Committee Mark Smith, Section Supervisor, DEQ, x. 5325	Not specified	Speaker (1) President (1) (House and Senate appoint. may not represent same political party)	75-6-231 (4)(a)(v)	B. Smith Moore (Rosendale)	B. Smith

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Economic Development Advisory Council Carolyn Jones (841-2594), Anne Pichette (841-2751), DofComm	On or before 10th legislative day (January 13, 2017)	Speaker (2) Committee on Committees (2)	2-15-1820	Moore, Dunwell Hoven, Wolken	D.Jones, Dunwell Hoven, F. Smith
Education Commission of the States	The term of each commissioner appointed by the legislature is 4 years, and legislators shall serve until the expiration of their appointments, even though their legislative terms may have ended.	One representative appointed by the speaker of the house. One senator appointed by the committee on committees.	20-2-502	Debra Lamm (exp. 5/19) Arntzen (exp. 9/18)	Debra Lamm (exp. 5/19) Regier
Forest Lands Taxation Advisory Committee Gene Walborn, Deputy Director, D of Rev	none in statute	Senate Majority (1) Senate Minority (1) House Majority (1) House Minority (1)	15-44-103	[DoR will seek appointments when committee is activated]	White Hamilton
Future Fisheries Review Panel Michelle McGree, FWP, x.2432	(Members serve 2-year terms)	Speaker (1) Committee on Committees (1)	87-1-273 * civil office – statute needs changing	Welborn Hinkle	Matt Regier Hinkle

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Gaming Advisory Council Angela Nunn, x9132, D of Justice	3-year term. End of each member's term on the Council ¹⁰	Speaker (1) Committee on Committees (1)	2-15-2021	Mortenson (exp June 2019) Blasdel (exp. 4/2018)	Mortenson (exp June 2019) Blasdel (exp. 4/2021)
HELP Act Oversight Amanda Harrow	Members shall serve 4-year terms. Vacancies on the committee must be filled by the same appointing authority. (b) A member who was appointed while a senator or a representative but who is no longer serving in the legislature must be replaced by the appointing authority.	President – 1 Senator Senate Minority Leader – 1 Senator Speaker – 1 Representative Minority Leader – 1 Representative	53-6-131	Keenan – 4 years Caferro – 4 years Wittich Noonan	Keenan, cont. Caferro, cont. Wagoner Abbott
Heritage Preservation and Development Commission (Montana) Elijah Allen, Executive Director, 843-5247	Not specified (expiration of 2-year term) (should not be legislators)	[Civil Office – no legislators.] Speaker (1) President (1)	22-3-1002	Bill Beck (exp. 4/18) David Hoffmann (exp. 4/16)	
Information Technology Board Samantha Cooley, x. 4616, DofA Ron Baldwin, ITSD	Not specified	Speaker (1) President (1)	2-15-1021	Wagoner Webb/Pomnichowski	Wagoner

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<p>Land Information Advisory Council</p> <p>Jenny Stapp, State Librarian, (406) 444-3116</p>	<p>Members serve 2-year term beginning July 1 of odd-numbered year & ending June 30 of succeeding odd-numbered year.)</p>	<p>Speaker: 1 Representative (Appointee may not be of same political party as Senate appointee.)</p> <p>Committee on Committees: 1 Senator (Appointment must be made <u>before</u> appointment by Speaker.)</p>	<p>90-1-405</p>	<p>Mandeville</p> <p>Sesso</p>	<p>Loge</p> <p>Sesso</p>
<p>Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Council (SB 351, Ch. 351, L. 2011)</p>	<p>Staggered 3-year terms</p>	<p>Speaker of the House – 2 members, at least one of whom must be a health provider.</p> <p>President of the Senate – 2 members, at least one of whom must be a health provider.</p>	<p>53-6-710, 53-6-711</p>	<p>[pending – not activated at this time]</p>	
<p>Public Defender Commission</p> <p>Stacy Otterstrom, Gov. Office</p>	<p>Not Specified</p>	<p>Civil Office – no legislators.</p> <p>Speaker - submit nominees to Governor</p> <p>President of Senate – submit nominees to Governor</p>	<p>2-15-1028</p>	<p>Speaker - submit nominees to Governor when needed (Bonnie Olson 5/16)</p> <p>President of Senate – submit nominees to Governor when needed (Roy Brown)</p>	

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<p>Rail Service Competition Council</p> <p>Pat Murdo, Legislative Services</p>	<p>From the economic affairs interim committee established in 5-5-223, selected by the presiding officer of the economic affairs interim committee with the concurrence of the vice presiding officer at the first interim committee meeting at the beginning of each interim.</p>	<p>Two members, one from the majority party and one from the minority party and one from each house of the legislature,</p>	<p>2-15-2511</p>	<p>Sen. Tom Facey</p> <p>Rep. Mike Lang</p>	
<p>Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission</p> <p>Ann Wick, Water Resource Specialist, 444-5700, DNRC</p>	<p>Appointments when vacant to 4-year terms</p>	<p>Speaker (2)</p> <p>President (2)</p>	<p>2-15-212</p>	<p>Debby Barrett (exp. 5/19)</p> <p>Dick Barrett (exp. 11/16)</p> <p>K. Williams (exp. 11/20)</p>	<p>The RWRCC has no active appointments as all commenced negotiations have been settled into eighteen respective compacts.</p>
<p>Sage Grouse Oversight Team</p> <p>Carolyn Sime, DNRC, 444-0554, sagegrouse@mt.gov</p>		<p>President of the Senate</p> <p>Speaker of the House</p>	<p>2-15-243 civil office – statute needs changing</p>	<p>Sen. Matt Rosendale</p> <p>Rep. Mike Lang</p>	<p>Sen. Mike Lang</p> <p>Rep. Casey Knudsen</p>

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Small Business Compliance Assistance Advisory Council DEQ: John Podolinsky	Members serve for 3 years – owners or representatives of owners of small business stationary sources -- no legislators	House majority leader House minority leader Senate majority leader Senate minority leader	2-15-2110	Keith Ouzts (exp 12/22/2018) Matthew Regier (exp. 5/1/2018) Duane Mitchell (exp. 9/2018) Terry Schultz (12/15/2018, appt in December)	
State Fund Liaison Pat Murdo, Legislative Services	By statute at the first interim committee meeting	Presiding officer of the economic affairs interim committee shall appoint from the majority party and the minority party (Legislative liaisons shall serve from appointment through each even-numbered calendar year).	2-15-1019	Sen. Gordon Vance Rep. Ryan Lynch	
Uniform Law Commission Susan Fox, LSD	Upon vacancy	Legislative Council	1-12-101	Jonathan Byington Karen Powell Todd Everts, ex officio Edwin Eck, life member	
Workforce Innovation (formerly “Investment”) Board Casey Schreiner, DofLabor	Not specified; early in the session	Speaker (1) President (1)	29 USC 3111 (new 2015) EO 09-2015	Ricci, Kipp Smith	Ricci

New Appointments from 2017 Legislation

Bill – Committee to be appointed	Deadline	Authority	Status – 5/17	Appointments
SB 59 – MT Criminal Justice Oversight Council (DOC)	Effective on passage and approval – June 30, 2019	Speaker (1) House Minority Leader (1) President (1) Senate Minority Leader (1)	To Governor	Patelis Lynch
SB 315 - Libby Asbestos Superfund Advisory Team (DEQ)	Effective 7/1/17	1 House member whose district includes at least a portion of Lincoln County appointed by Speaker. 1 Senate member whose district includes at least a portion of Lincoln County appointed by President	Ch. 317, L. 2017	Gunderson
HB 622 – Invasive Species Upper Columbia Conservation Commission (DNRC)	On passage and approval (5/7/17) through June 30, 2019	1 House member by Speaker and 1 Senate member by President – coordinated to be bipartisan	Ch. 348, L. 2017	Regier

End Notes

1. Section 5-11-101, MCA, provides that if ". . . a legislator is or would be a member of the Legislative Council by virtue of a legislative leadership position and the legislator will not serve in the following legislative session because of term limits, the legislator may designate another member of the same house and the same political party to serve on the legislative council in the legislator's place."

2. If there is a vacancy on the committee at the beginning of a legislative session because a member's term of office as a legislator has ended, a member of the same political party must be appointed in the same manner as the original appointment, no later than the 10th legislative day, to serve until a successor is appointed . (This provision applies to the Environmental Quality Council, Legislative Audit Committee, Legislative Consumer Committee, and Legislative Finance Committee.)
3. Vacancies for public members of the Environmental Quality Council are subject to the a notice requirement by 5-16-104, MCA: When a vacancy on the Environmental Quality Council of a public member appointed under 5-16-103(3), MCA, has occurred or is expected to occur, the appointing authority shall have posted in a conspicuous place in the state capitol a notice announcing the actual or anticipated vacancy and describing the procedure for applying for appointment. A copy of the required notice must be sent to the Lieutenant Governor, who may publish the notice in an appropriate publication.
4. Under 5-15-102, MCA, a person who is an employee, agent, officer, partner, or director of any regulated company or who has served a regulated company in any capacity within the 3 years previous to his or her appointment may not be a member of the committee.
5. Under 5-1-101, MCA, the commission of five citizens must be appointed in the session. Legislators select the first four members and those for must select a fifth member within 20 days or turn the process over to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court is not under a time deadline.
6. Appointments must be in the order indicated. See letter from Susan Fox and Robert Person to the appointing authorities dated January 29, 1999, for more details.
7. Section 5-5-211 requires that membership be provided for by legislative rules. (See Joint Rule 30-70.) The appointing authority shall attempt to select not less than half the members from the designated standing committees. Appointing authorities are to take into account term limits of members. No legislator may serve on more than one interim committee unless no other legislator is available and willing to serve.
8. Other members include the Executive Director of the Legislative Services Division, Legislative Auditor, and Legislative Fiscal Analyst. It has been customary for House and Senate representatives to include at least one of the staff members listed and one legislator who has an active interest in the application of information technology in the legislative branch to serve.
9. The members must live in the state, but there is no requirement legislative appointments be legislators.
10. Each Gaming Advisory Council member serves a 3-year term. A legislator serves for 3 years or until his or her term as a legislator ends, whichever occurs first.
11. Reviewed for appointments and civil office 2/08 (legislators may not serve in a civil office).