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FMT POSITION Support
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SPONSOR Greg Overstreet (R)
HD-88, Ravalli
FMT POSITION Oppose
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HB 154: Establish a housing fairness tax credit ♦

SPONSOR Jonathan Karlen (D)
HD-98, Missoula
FMT POSITION Support
OUTCOME Failed

HB 154 would have established the housing fairness tax credit, including targeted property tax relief for low-income homeowners and renters.

♦ Failed to pass a Senate committee and is only scored for the House.

HB 208: Providing authority for municipalities to control unauthorized occupancy of municipal property

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HD-88, Ravalli
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SCORECARD

Key: Republican Democrat Y=Yes N=No E=Excused A=Absent (Not factored into score)

	SCORE	HB 311	HB 642	HB 154	HB 208
Albus, Eric	0%	N	Y	N	A
Barker, Brad	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Baum, Denise	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Bedey, David	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bennett, Lyn	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Bertoglio, Marta	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Brewster, Larry	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Buttrey, Edward	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Byrne, Ed	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Caferro, Mary	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Carter, Bob	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Close, Brian	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Cochran, Curtis	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Cohenour, Jill	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Crowe, Thedis	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Cunningham, Melody	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Darling, Julie	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
DeMarois, Scott	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Deming, Lee	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Duram, Neil	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Edwards, Becky	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Elverum, Pete	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Essmann, Sherry	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Etchart, Jodee	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Falk, Terry	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Fielder, Paul	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Fitzpatrick, Chip	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Fitzpatrick, John	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Fitzpatrick, Steve	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Fox, Mike	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
France, Tom	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Fyant, Shelly	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Gillette, Jane	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Gist, Steve	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Gregg, Randyn	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Griffith, Alanah	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Hawk, Donavon	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Hinkle, Caleb	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Hinkle, Jedediah	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Howell, SJ	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Isaly, Jamie	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Jones, Llew	67%	Y	Y	Y	A
Joy, Denise	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Karlen, Jonathan	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Kelly, Steve	0%	N	Y	N	A
Keogh, Connie	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Klakken, Shane	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Kmetz, Greg	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Kortum, Kelly	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Lee, Marc	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Ler, Brandon	0%	N	Y	N	A
Love, Kathy	0%	N	Y	N	Y

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Lynch, Jennifer	75%	Y	N	Y	N
Maness, Shannon	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Marler, Marilyn	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Marshall, Ron ▲	0%	-	-	N	Y
Matthews, Eric	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Mercer, Bill	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Millett, Tom	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Miner, Russ	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mitchell, Braxton	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Moore, Valerie	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Muszkiewicz, Luke	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Nave, Fiona	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Nelson, Terry ■	25%	Y	-	-	-
Nicastro, Anthony	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Nicol, Nelly	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Nikolakakos, George	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Nikolakakos, Melissa	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Oblander, Greg	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Overstreet, Greg	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Parry, Gary	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Powers, Debo	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Reavis, James	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Regier, Amy	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Reksten, Linda	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Romano, Melissa	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Rosenzweig, Scott	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Running Wolf, Tyson	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Schillinger, Jerry	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Schomer, Curtis	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Schubert, Lukas	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Seckinger, Joshua	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Seekins-Crowe, Kerri	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Sharp, Tracy	25%	Y	Y	N	Y
Smith, Frank	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Sooktis, Jade	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Sprunger, Courtenay	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Stafman, Ed	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Strand, Peter	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Sullivan, Katie	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Thane, Mark	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Thiel, Morgan	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Tilleman, Eric	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tuss, Paul	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Vinton, Mike	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Walsh, Ken	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Weber, Jane	100%	Y	N	Y	N
Wirth, Zack	0%	N	Y	N	Y
Zephyr, Zooey	100%	Y	N	Y	A
Zolnikov, Katie	25%	Y	Y	N	Y

▲ Rep. Marshall resigned on March 3.
■ Rep. Nelson took office on March 10.

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Beard, Becky	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Bogner, Kenneth	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Boldman, Ellie	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Cuffe, Mike	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Curdy, Willis	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Dunwell, Mary Ann	100%	Y	N	N	Y
Ellis, Janet	100%	Y	N	N	Y
Ellsworth, Jason	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Emrich, Daniel	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Esp, John	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Fern, Dave	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Flowers, Pat	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Fuller, John	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Galt, Wylie	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Gillespie, Bruce	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Glimm, Carl	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Harvey, Derek	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Hayman, Denise	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Hertz, Greg	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Hunter, Gregg	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kassmier, Josh	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kerr-Carpenter, Emma	100%	Y	N	N	Y
Lammers, Gayle	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Lenz, Dennis	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Loge, Denley	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y

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Mandeville, Forrest	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Manzella, Theresa	0%	N	Y	Y	N
McGillvray, Tom	0%	N	Y	Y	N
McKamey, Wendy	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Morigeau, Jacinda	100%	Y	N	N	Y
Morigeau, Shane	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Neumann, Cora	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Noland, Mark	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Novak, Sara	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Olsen, Andrea	100%	Y	N	N	Y
Phalen, Bob	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Pope, Christopher	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Regier, Matt	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Ricci, Vince	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Smith, Laura	75%	Y	N	Y	Y
Tempel, Russ	25%	N	Y	Y	Y
Tezak, Tony	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Trebas, Jeremy	25%	Y	Y	Y	N
Usher, Barry	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Vance, Shelley	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Vinton, Sue	0%	N	Y	Y	N
Webber, Susan	75%	Y	Y	N	Y
Windy Boy, Jonathan	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Yakawich, Mike	50%	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zolnikov, Daniel	25%	Y	Y	Y	N

SB 405: Provide additional funding for the Housing Montana Fund ▼

SPONSOR Dave Fern (D) SD-2, Flathead **FMT POSITION** Support **OUTCOME** Failed

SB 405 would have required the state transfer \$50 million into the Housing Montana Fund within 2 weeks of passing to support affordable housing developments across the state. ▼ Only scored for the Senate..