



Montana Grain Growers Association

2021 Montana Legislative Update – Week 11



Past President Vince Mattson

March 22, 2021

Last week, lobbyist, John Semple testified in opposition to [HB 410](#) - pollinator protection act that requires noxious weed management programs for certain state lands and establishes to administer a program to reimburse for damages and [SB 164](#) - revises non-degradation standard for nitrates in a ground water mixing zone and increases the maximum concentration of nitrates allowed from all permitted discharge sources.

Past President Vince Mattson was appointed to the Board of Hail Insurance. Montana Department of Agriculture Director Mike Foster and Executive Vice President Alison Vergeront testified on his behalf.

As always, there will be more to come and please feel free to reach out with questions, comments and concerns.





Upcoming:

[HB 636 - Revise property tax rates for agricultural, commercial, and residential property](#)

Revises property tax rates; revises the tax rate for class three agricultural property and class four residential and commercial property to mitigate the effects of revaluation

Sponsored by: Fiona Nave

Wednesday, March 24

[HB 642 - Establish a farm-to-school grant program at OPI](#)

Establishes a pilot farm to school grant program; requires the Office of Public Instruction to establish and administer the program

Sponsored by: Laurie Bishop

Wednesday, March 24

[SB 83 - Revise special lien law](#)

Allows a nonpossessory special lien on implements of husbandry, construction equipment, forestry equipment and motorized lawn care and landscaping equipment; provides for enforcement of nonpossessory special liens

Sponsored by: Brian Hoven

Wednesday, March 24

[SB 288 - Revise property exemption for agricultural processing facilities](#)

Revises the property tax exemption for agricultural processing facilities; expands the exemption to all types of oilseed processing facilities; removes the employment requirement

Sponsored by: Walt Sales

Wednesday, March 24

[SB 376 - Corporate tax modernization through double-sales factor apportionment](#)

Revises apportionment of income for purposes of Montana's corporate income tax; adopts a double-weighted sales factor apportionment model

Sponsored by: Greg Hertz

Tuesday, March 23

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