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SB 140	Keith Regier	Gets rid of judicial nominating commission, establishes direct gubernatorial appointment of judges	Resolved	Is law	March 2021	OP-21-0125	N/A	N/A	Yes	Upheld	Bob Brown, Dorothy Bradley, Vernon Finley, Mae Nan Ellingson, and the Montana League of Women Voters		Governor Greg Gianforte, Montana Legislature				8/3/23
HB 102 lawsuit 1	Seth Berglee	Rewrites Montana's gun laws, including allowing guns on campus	Resolved	Partly upheld and is law, partly (guns on campus) struck down	May 2021	DA-21-0605			Yes	Decided Board of Regents maintains power to regulate guns on college campuses, striking part of HB 102	Board of Regents		State of Montana				8/3/23
HB 102 lawsuit 2	Seth Berglee	Rewrites Montana's gun laws, including allowing guns on campus	Appealed to Supreme Court	Partly in effect	June 2021	18-DV-21-0581	Gallatin County	Rienne McElyea	Yes		Steve Barrett, Robert Knight, Montana Federation of Public Employees, Lawrence Pettit, Montana University System Faculty Association Representatives, Montana State University Faculty Senate, Joy Honea, Annjeanette Belcourt, Franke Wilmer, Montana Public Interest Research Group, Ashley Phelan, Joseph Knappenberger, Nicole Bondurant, Mae Nan Ellingson		State of Montana, Governor Greg Gianforte, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
SB 319 lawsuit 1	Greg Hertz	Makes several changes to campaign finance law, including allowing joint fundraising committees, also prohibited some campaign activities on college campuses	Resolved	Partly overturned. Rules in favor of plaintiffs, finding that the bill unconstitutionally included two provisions unrelated to its title and was amended during the legislative process to the extent that its original purpose was changed. The ruling strikes down restrictions on political activity on college campuses and a judicial recusal requirement.	June 2021	1-DV-21-0611	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	No	N/A	Forward Montana, Lewis & Clark County Attorney Leo Gallagher, Montana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Alexander Blewett III, Larry Anderson, Maxon Davis, Gary Zadick		State of Montana, via Governor Greg Gianforte				8/3/23
SB 319 lawsuit 2	Greg Hertz	Makes several changes to campaign finance law, including allowing joint fundraising committees, also prohibited some campaign activities on college campuses	Appealed to Supreme Court	Partly in effect	June 2021	18-DV-21-0581	Gallatin County	Rienne McElyea	Yes		Steve Barrett, Robert Knight, Montana Federation of Public Employees, Lawrence Pettit, Montana University System Faculty Association Representatives, Montana State University Faculty Senate, Joy Honea, Annjeanette Belcourt, Franke Wilmer, Montana Public Interest Research Group, Ashley Phelan, Joseph Knappenberger, Nicole Bondurant, Mae Nan Ellingson		State of Montana, Governor Greg Gianforte, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
HB 112	John Fuller	Requires athletes to play in sports according to their sex assigned at birth	Appealed to Supreme Court	Blocked	June 2021	18-DV-21-0581	Gallatin County	Rienne McElyea	Yes		Steve Barrett, Robert Knight, Montana Federation of Public Employees, Lawrence Pettit, Montana University System Faculty Association Representatives, Montana State University Faculty Senate, Joy Honea, Annjeanette Belcourt, Franke Wilmer, Montana Public Interest Research Group, Ashley Phelan, Joseph Knappenberger, Nicole Bondurant, Mae Nan Ellingson		State of Montana, Governor Greg Gianforte, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
HB 349	Mike Hopkins	Designed to protect Freedom of Association and Free Speech on college campuses	Appealed to Supreme Court	Blocked	June 2021	18-DV-21-0581	Gallatin County	Rienne McElyea	Yes		Steve Barrett, Robert Knight, Montana Federation of Public Employees, Lawrence Pettit, Montana University System Faculty Association Representatives, Montana State University Faculty Senate, Joy Honea, Annjeanette Belcourt, Franke Wilmer, Montana Public Interest Research Group, Ashley Phelan, Joseph Knappenberger, Nicole Bondurant, Mae Nan Ellingson		State of Montana, Governor Greg Gianforte, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
HB 136	Lola Sheldon-Galloway	Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act	Awaiting Supreme Court decision	Blocked	August 2021	13-DV-21-0999	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Planned Parenthood of Montana, Joey Banks, M.D.						8/3/23
HB 171	Sharon Greef	Abortion-Inducing Drug Risk Protocol Act	Awaiting Supreme Court decision	Blocked	August 2021	13-DV-21-0999	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Planned Parenthood of Montana, Joey Banks, M.D.		State of Montana				8/3/23
HB 140	Amy Regier	Requires option to view ultrasound, fetal heartbeat, etc. before an abortion is performed	Awaiting Supreme Court decision	Blocked	August 2021	13-DV-21-0999	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Planned Parenthood of Montana, Joey Banks, M.D.		State of Montana				8/3/23
HB 229	Jane Gillette	Prohibits Obamacare insurance policies from paying for abortion, with exceptions	Awaiting Supreme Court decision	Blocked	August 2021	13-DV-21-0999	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Planned Parenthood of Montana, Joey Banks, M.D.		State of Montana				8/3/23
HB 702 lawsuit 1	Jennifer Carlson	Prohibits discrimination based on vaccine status	Appealed to Supreme Court	Partly in effect	June 2021	7-DV-21-0089	Richland County	Olivia Rieger	Yes		Netzer Law Office, Donald Netzer		State of Montana, Attorney General Austin Knudsen, Montana Commissioner of Labor and Industry Laurie Esau				8/3/23
HB 702 lawsuit 2	Jennifer Carlson	Prohibits discrimination based on vaccine status	Resolved	Partly overturned (not enforceable in health care settings)	September 2021	9-21-cv-00108	Federal court: District of Montana	Donald Molloy	No	N/A	Montana Medical Association, Five Valleys Urology, Providence Health & Services MT, Western Montana Clinic, Pat Appleby, Mark Carpenter, Diana Jo Page, Wallace Page, Cheyenne Smith		Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen, Montana Commissioner of Labor & Industry Laurie Esau				8/3/23
HB 702 lawsuit 3	Jennifer Carlson	Prohibits discrimination based on vaccine status	Pending in federal district court	Partly in effect	September 2022	4-22-cv-00081	Federal court: District of Montana	Brian Morris	N/A	N/A	Glacier County Regional Port Authority, Blackfeet Nation		Montana Labor Commissioner Laurie Esau, Montana Human Rights Bureau				8/3/23
HB 176 lawsuit 1	Sharon Greef	Closes late voter registration at noon the day before an election	Appealed to Supreme Court	Blocked	April 2021	8-DV-21-0500	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Montana Democratic Party and Mitch Bohn, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Montana Youth Action, Forward Montana Foundation, and Montana Public Interest Research Group		State of Montana, Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen				8/3/23
HB 176 lawsuit 2	Sharon Greef	Closes late voter registration at noon the day before an election	Lawsuit filed	Blocked	September 2021	13-DV-21-0451	Cascade County	John Kutzman			Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE), Montana American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), Montana Association of Centers for Independent Living, Samantha Harrington, Adam Clinch, Paul Dougherty, Cullen Hinkle, Ashley Johnson, Greg Werber, Wyatt Murdoch, Theresa Froehlich Dutoit, Jasmine Taylor, Karen Cook						8/3/23

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SB 169	Mike Cuffe	Strengthens voter ID laws	Appealed to Supreme Court	Blocked	April 2021	13-DV-21-0451	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Montana Democratic Party and Mitch Bohm, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Montana Youth Action, Forward Montana Foundation, and Montana Public Interest Research Group		Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen				8/3/23
HB 530	Wendy McKamey	Prohibits paid ballot collection	Appealed to Supreme Court	Blocked	April 2021	13-DV-21-0451	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Montana Democratic Party and Mitch Bohm, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Montana Youth Action, Forward Montana Foundation, and Montana Public Interest Research Group		Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen				8/3/23
HB 506	Paul Fielder	Puts additional sideboards on redistricting commission, also prohibits sending ballots to people under age 18	Appealed to Supreme Court		April 2021	13-DV-21-0451	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Montana Democratic Party and Mitch Bohm, Montana Native Vote, Blackfeet Nation, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Fort Belknap Indian Community, and Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Montana Youth Action, Forward Montana Foundation, and Montana Public Interest Research Group		Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen				8/3/23
HB 224	Paul Fielder	Allows trappers to snare wolves	Pending in district court	In effect	October 2022	1-DV-22-0896	Lewis and Clark County	Chris Abbott			WildEarth Guardians, Project Coyote		Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission				8/3/23
HB 225	Paul Fielder	Authorizes wolf trapping, sets season dates	Pending in district court	In effect	October 2022	1-DV-22-0896	Lewis and Clark County	Chris Abbott			WildEarth Guardians, Project Coyote		Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission				8/3/23
SB 314	Bob Brown	Liberalizes wolf hunting regs to include use of bait and night vision under some circumstances	Pending in district court	In effect	October 2022	1-DV-22-0896	Lewis and Clark County	Chris Abbott			WildEarth Guardians, Project Coyote		Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission				8/3/23
SB 267	Bob Brown	Authorizes paid reimbursement for wolf trapping/hunting	Pending in district court	In effect	October 2022	1-DV-22-0896	Lewis and Clark County	Chris Abbott			WildEarth Guardians, Project Coyote		Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission				8/3/23
HB 379	Sue Vinton	Authorizes sex-based insurance ratemaking	Lawsuit filed	In effect	November 2022	1-DV-22-0925	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan			Willard Randall, Kia Abbey, Diane Sands, MT Chapter of National Organization for Women, American Assoc. of University Women of MT	Kimberly Dudik and Upper Seven Law	State of Montana, Laurie Essau, Troy Downing				8/3/23
HB 325	Barry Usher	Elect Supreme Court justices by districts	Resolved	Referendum struck from the ballot	May 2021	2-DV-21-0120	Silver Bow County	Peter Ohman	Yes	Upheld lower court ruling, blocked from the ballot	Sister Mary Jo McDonald, Lori Maloney, Fritz Daily, Bob Brown, Dorothy Bradley, Vernon Finley, Mae Nan Ellingson and the League of Women Voters of Montana		Montana Secretary of State Christi Jacobsen				8/3/23
SB 280	Carl Glimm	Requires surgery in order to change sex on birth certificate	Awaiting Supreme Court action	Blocked	July 2021	13-DV-21-0873	Yellowstone County	Michael Moses	Yes		Amelia Marquez, John Doe		Governor Greg Gianforte, Montana Department of Health and Human Services, DPHHS Director Adam Meier				8/3/23
SB 265	Steve Fitzpatrick	Revises arbitration laws among utility companies	Resolved	Permanently enjoined	May 2021	1-21-cv-00047	Federal court: District of Montana	Kathleen DeSoto, Susan Watters	No	N/A	Portland General Electric Company, Avista Corporation, PacifiCorp, Puget Sound Energy Inc.		NorthWestern Corporation, Talen Montana LLC, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
SB 266	Steve Fitzpatrick	Revises unfair trade practices regarding utility companies	Resolved	Permanently enjoined	May 2021	1-21-cv-00047	Federal court: District of Montana	Kathleen DeSoto, Susan Watters	No	N/A	Portland General Electric Company, Avista Corporation, PacifiCorp, Puget Sound Energy Inc.		NorthWestern Corporation, Talen Montana LLC, Attorney General Austin Knudsen				8/3/23
SB 358	John Esp	Repeals numeric nutrient standards for water quality	Resolved	In effect	March 2022	4-22-cv-00032	Federal court: District of Montana	Brian Morris	N/A	N/A	Upper Missouri Waterkeeper		United States Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Administrator Michael Regan				8/3/23
HB 701 lawsuit 1	Mike Hopkins	The main bill establishing MT's recreational marijuana program	Lawsuit filed	In effect	July 2023		Federal court		N/A	N/A	Tom and Jerry Reed (out of state MJ investors)	Brian Miller	Montana Department of Revenue		The residency requirement in MT's MJ law is unconstitutional violation of U.S. Constitution interstate commerce clause		8/9/23
HB 701 lawsuit 2	Mike Hopkins	The main bill establishing MT's recreational marijuana program	Lawsuit filed	In effect	July 2023		Lewis and Clark County		N/A	N/A	Tom and Jerry Reed (out of state MJ investors)	Brian Miller	Montana Department of Revenue		The residency requirement in MT's MJ law is unconstitutional under state constitution's equal protection clause because it discriminates against them based on residency status		8/9/23
SB 199	Greg Hertz	Food freedom	Lawsuit filed	In effect	December 2023		Lewis and Clark County	Christopher Abbott	N/A	N/A	Jeff Havens, former DPHHS employee	Havens representing himself	Sen. Hertz, DPHHS director Breerton, Gov. Gianforte		Bills are unconstitutional (unclear how so), endanger food safety, infringe on local control		12/6/23
HB 407	Mark Noland	Bans local governments from restricting single-use plastics	Lawsuit filed	In effect	December 2023		Lewis and Clark County		N/A	N/A	9 plaintiffs	Cottonwood Environmental Law Center and Helena-based Morrison Sherwood Wilson & Deola	State of Montana	AG's office	Unconstitutionally restricts local gov power and violates right to clean and healthful environment		12/7/23

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SB 99	John Fuller	Prohibits transgender medical & surgical treatments on minors	May 2023		Preliminary injunction granted on 9/27/23	Blocked	Missoula County	Jason Marks	N/A	N/A	Belgrade transgender student and parents, Missoula family, two doctors (Dr. Katherine Mastretta of Bozeman and Dr. Juanita Hodas of Washington/Missoula)	American Civil Liberties Union, the ACLU of Montana, Lambda Legal and Petros Cole of Seattle	Greg Gianforte, Austin Knudsen, DPHHS, Charlie Bretton, the state Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Nursing			Seven different ways the bill violates MT and U.S. constitutions, including equal protection of the laws, the right of parents to direct the upbringing of their children, the right to privacy, the right to seek health care, the right to dignity, and the right to freedom of expression. Also state doesn't have a compelling interest and cite the Armstrong abortion decision re: medical privacy		9/27/23
HB 359	Braton Mitchell	Drag queen bill	July 2023		Preliminary injunction granted on 11/29/23. State has appealed the preliminary injunction, decision on summary judgment or permanent injunction won't be made until after that appeal is decided (update as of 11/30/23)	Blocked	Federal court: District of Montana	Brian Morris	N/A	N/A	Imperial Sovereign Court of the State of Montana (LGBTQ group), Adria Jawort (trans woman), Rachel Corcoran (Billings teacher), Montana Book Company, Imagine Nation Brewing Co., Bumbee Aerial Fitness, Western MT Community Center, Great Falls LGBTQ+ Center, The Myrna Loy	Upper Seven Law: Constance Van Key, Rylee Sommer-Flanagan, Nik Zupanic	Austin Knudsen, Elsie Arntzen, JP Gallagher (Chief executive of Butte-Silver Bow)	AG's office		Law is too vague/confusing/broad to be complied with, violates U.S. constitutional First Amendment and equal protection rights (viewpoint and content discrimination), unfair/unconstitutional singles out specific groups, lack of public comment opportunity in free conference committee	State has right to limit what minors are exposed to, including things that are "less than obscene." Law is more narrow than plaintiffs allege.	12/1/23
HB 562	Sue Vinton	Charter schools	June 2023		Temporary injunction issued (says the independent commission structure is likely unconstitutional)	Partially blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Chris Abbott	N/A	N/A	MT Quality Education Coalition, MT League of Women Voters, 8 teachers and parents	Upper Seven Law	State of MT, Greg Gianforte, Elsie Arntzen	Kasey Koehler (Miles City), Corrie Fiestel (Fort Belknap Reservation), Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy	Intervenor status granted by district court	Law is unconstitutional (under MT Constitution) in at least 4 different ways, including limiting who can sit on the governing boards, appropriating tax dollars to private schools (which are exempt from laws governing public schools), exempting charter schools from Indian Education for All, creating separate and unequal school systems		10/25/23
SB 93	Mike Cuffe	Additional requirements for ballot initiatives	May 2023		Lawsuit filed	In effect	Lewis and Clark County	Kathy Seetley	N/A	N/A	Cottonwood Environmental Law Center, John Meyer	Greg Gianforte, Christi Jacobsen, Austin Knudsen				The law goes beyond the Legislature's authority to legislate about ballot initiatives; the constitution spells out initiative requirements/limitations		8/3/23
HB 721	Matt Regier	Dismemberment Abortion Prohibition Act	May 2023	ADV-2023-231	Temporary injunction issued	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	Planned Parenthood, Samuel Dickman (MD)	Raph Graybill		AG's office		Privacy clause of the MT Constitution, 1999 Armstrong precedent	Said this one was harder for state to justify, but state has an interest in preventing dismemberment abortions due to the type of procedure it is	8/3/23
HB 575	Lola Sheldon-Galloway	Prohibits abortion of viable unborn children (~24 weeks), requires ultrasounds to determine viability	May 2023		Temporary injunction issued	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	Planned Parenthood	Raph Graybill		AG's office		Privacy clause of the MT Constitution, 1999 Armstrong precedent, would interfere with abortion providers delivering abortion drugs early in pregnancies, creates additional burdens on rural Montana	Ultrasounds are strong tool for determining gestational age, diagnosing problems, and gathering medical information. Ultrasounds are widely available around the state	8/3/23
HB 544	Jane Gilette	Medicaid funding for abortions only allowed for life of mother, rape/incest pregnancy, or medically necessary	May 2023		Temporary injunction issued	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	Planned Parenthood, Blue Mountain Clinic, All Families Healthcare	Raph Graybill		AG's office		Privacy clause of the MT Constitution, 1999 Armstrong precedent, is an improper barrier to lower income Montanans accessing abortion, court precedents prohibit discrimination based on income	Is reasonable regulation to ensure state is not paying for elective abortion, important for state to justify spending if audited by federal government; state has legitimate interest in determining how taxpayer money is spent	8/3/23
HB 862	Mike Hopkins	Prohibits state money being used for abortion except rape/incest and life of mother	May 2023		Temporary injunction issued	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	Planned Parenthood, Blue Mountain Clinic, All Families Healthcare	Raph Graybill		AG's office		Privacy clause of the MT Constitution, 1999 Armstrong precedent, is an improper barrier to lower income Montanans accessing abortion, court precedents prohibit discrimination based on income	Consumer protection and data privacy concerns give the state grounds to regulate (e.g. ban) TikTok	8/3/23
SB 419 lawsuit 1	Shelley Vance	TikTok ban	May 2023		Preliminary injunction issued 11/30/23	Blocked	Federal court: District of Montana	Donald Moloy	N/A	N/A	5 Montana TikTok users	Austin Knudsen		AG's office		Unconstitutional (U.S. Constitution) First Amendment violation, improper preemption of federal law/federal government's role	Unconstitutional (U.S. Constitution) First Amendment violation, improper preemption of federal law/federal government's role	11/30/23
SB 419 lawsuit 2	Shelley Vance	TikTok ban	May 2023		Lawsuit filed	Blocked	Federal court: District of Montana				TikTok	Jackson, Murdo, & Gran Austin Knudsen		AG's office		Unconstitutional (U.S. Constitution) First Amendment violation, improper preemption of federal law/federal government's role		8/3/23
HB 576	Rhonda Knudsen	Loosens regulations on coal mining	June 2023		Temporary block issued	Blocked	Federal court: District of Montana	Brian Morris	N/A	N/A	Citizens for Clean Energy, MT Environmental Information Center, Sierra Club, WildEarth Guardians					Conflicts with federal law		8/3/23
SB 392	Steve Fitzpatrick	Revises determination of court costs in coal mining litigation	June 2023		Temporary block issued	Blocked	Federal court: District of Montana	Brian Morris	N/A	N/A	Citizens for Clean Energy, MT Environmental Information Center, Sierra Club, WildEarth Guardians					Conflicts with federal law		8/3/23
SB 442 (veto) lawsuit 1 (consolidated w/ #2)	Mike Lang	Greg Gianforte's veto of the bill/legislature override opportunity	June 2023		Hearing held 12/7/23	Vetoed	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	Wild Montana & MT Wildlife Federation	Upper Seven Law	Greg Gianforte, Christi Jacobsen	Dale Schowengardt		The timing and mechanics of the veto and sine die did not give legislature a chance to override the veto	This is a "political question" that's improper for the court to decide, the Legislature should make its own rules to resolve this issue in the future	12/8/23
SB 442 (veto) lawsuit 2 (consolidated with #1)	Mike Lang	Greg Gianforte's veto of the bill/legislature override opportunity	June 2023		Hearing held 12/7/23	Vetoed	Lewis and Clark County	Mike Menahan	N/A	N/A	MACO	Michael Black	Greg Gianforte, Christi Jacobsen	Dale Schowengardt		The timing and mechanics of the veto and sine die did not give legislature a chance to override the veto	This is a "political question" that's improper for the court to decide, the Legislature should make its own rules to resolve this issue in the future	12/8/23
HB 971	Josh Kassmier	Prohibits evaluation of greenhouse gases in MEPA	May 2023	Held v. Montana	District court ruled in favor of plaintiffs	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Kathy Seetley	Yes		16 Montana youths backed up by national environmental group Our Children's Trust		State of Montana, the governor, attorney general and several state agencies	AG's office		The Montana Constitution's right to a clean and healthful environment makes so climate change impacts have to be considered when state permits basically anything that could affect CO2 or other greenhouse gases	Greenhouse gases emitted in Montana are too minuscule to impact the global climate	10/2/23
SB 557	Mark Noland	Puts additional requirements on permits suing under MEPA and prohibits of greenhouse gases	May 2023	Held v. Montana	District court ruled in favor of plaintiffs	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Kathy Seetley	Yes		16 Montana youths backed up by national environmental group Our Children's Trust		State of Montana, the governor, attorney general and several state agencies	AG's office		The Montana Constitution's right to a clean and healthful environment makes so climate change impacts have to be considered when state permits basically anything that could affect CO2 or other greenhouse gases	Greenhouse gases emitted in Montana are too minuscule to impact the global climate	10/2/23
HB 937	Lola Sheldon-Galloway	Creates licensure of abortion clinics	September 2023	DV-23-592	Temporary restraining order issued (largely because DPHHS had not enacted or even proposed any rules to implement the bill)	Blocked	Lewis and Clark County	Christopher Abbott	N/A	N/A	All Families Healthcare, Blue Mountain Clinic, and Helen Weems, APRN-FNP	ACLU of Montana, the Center for Reproductive Rights, and law firm Dechert, LLP	State of Montana, DPHHS, Charlie Bretton			Bill mandates DPHHS' rule rules, but DPHHS hasn't even started rulemaking ahead of the bill's effective, making compliance with the law impossible. Bill also is unconstitutional under the Montana Constitution and Armstrong precedent	Law merely strengthens status quo prohibitions, plaintiffs took long to request a preliminary injunction, SOS has evidence of double voting in prior election(s), SOS has had no complaints with registrations since law has been in effect, plaintiffs don't understand criminal law and precedent	9/28/23
HB 892 lawsuit 1	Lyn Hellegard	Clarifies prohibition on double voting	October 2023		Lawsuit filed (state response to request for preliminary injunction filed 12/13/23)	In effect	District of Montana (federal court)		N/A	N/A	MontPIRG, MPFE	Raph Graybill, Elias Law Group	SOS, AG, COPP	AG attorneys and SOS attorneys	RNC and MTGOP, petition filed to intervene	Law is too vague and too broad, goes further than (proper) intent of proposed double voting	Law is too restrictive and potentially opens up voters and groups like theirs to criminal charges for legal voting registration practices	12/6/23
HB 892 lawsuit 2	Lyn Hellegard		November 2023		Lawsuit filed	In effect	Gallatin County		N/A	N/A	MT League of Women Voters	Upper Seven Law	SOS, AG, COPP					11/27/23
SB 458 (note: there is a separate lawsuit challenging Gianforte & DPHHS withholding public documents related to implementing this bill. That case is not part of this tracker)	Carl Glimm	Defines "sex" in law	October 2023		Lawsuit filed	In effect	Missoula County		N/A	N/A	Two transgender women, one transgender man, two people who are intersex or androgynous, the Montana Two Spirit Society	Upper Seven Law	Governor, AG	AG's office		Creates potential for discrimination, requires individuals to reveal private medical information to obtain government documents, ignores tribal cultural significance of Two Spirit people		10/13/23
SB 109	Keith Regier	Redistrict the PSC districts	October 2023		Preliminary injunction requested 11/29/23	In effect, new districts will be used in 2024 elections unless blocked	Lewis and Clark County		N/A	N/A	Gallatin County Commissioner Donald Siefert, Former Republican Montana Secretary of State Bob Brown, and Montana Conservation Voters.	Upper Seven Law				Legislature engaged in a partisan gerrymander of the districts		12/1/23

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HB 903	Mike Hopkins	Revises marijuana laws	August 2023		Preliminary injunction (on increased fees) by which opposing parties try to work on a settlement	Increased fees temporarily blocked	Lewis and Clark County		N/A	N/A	Granite Peak Holdings (Elevated), Top Shelf Botanicals, MarfMint		State of Montana	AG's office		Increased fees are burdensome, will lead to business closures and job losses, and are not justified	State has legitimate regulatory costs	11/13/23
SB 202	Greg Hertz	Food freedom	Lawsuit filed	In effect	December 2023		Lewis and Clark County	Christopher Abbott	N/A	N/A	Jeff Havens, former DPHHS employee	Havens representing himself	Sen. Hertz, DPHHS director Eberlein, Gov. Gianforte		Bills are unconstitutional (unclear how so), endanger food safety, infringe on local control		12/6/23	