TIC Requested Legislation

TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE
BECCA BROWN – SEPTEMBER 2026

The following is a summary of the bill drafts staff has drafted for the Transportation Interim Committee during the 2025-2026 interim. Drafts with a status of "approved" are officially requested committee bill drafts referred to the 70th Montana Legislature.

Draft	Description	Status	Vote	Sponsor
PD 05 LC 0524	Prohibit distracted driving related to mobile devices (Chloe's law)	Approved Sept 2026	Unanimous	Sen. Sara Novak
PD 11 LC 0525	Authorize counties to enter into contracts and agreements for improvement, repair, and maintenance of public roads and bridges under their jurisdiction	Approved Sept 2026	Unanimous	Sen. Gregg Hunter
PD 12 LC 0526	Require insurance consumers to accept or reject underinsured motorist coverage	Approved Sept 2026	Yes 5-4	Sen. Andrea Olsen
PD 01	GVW fee increase	Did not approve	Failed	N/A
PD 02	Gasoline fuel tax increase	Did not approve	Failed	N/A
PD 04	Pilot program for automated safety enforcement systems (ASES)	No action taken	N/A	N/A
PD 06	Establish rebuttable presumption that state scales are calibrated correctly	Did not approve	Failed	N/A
PD 07	Require MDT to update the Montana state rail plan	Did not approve	Failed	N/A
PD 10	MCS officer expanded authority	No action taken	N/A	N/A
PD 87	Providing MCS officers with authority to enter into cross-deputization agreements	No action taken	N/A	N/A
PD 90	Closing Highway 212 to commercial vehicles	Did not approve	Failed	N/A