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| 2/3/2017 | 15:27:08 | Missoula | MT | 59802 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 15:30:08 | Hamilton | MT | 59840 | Raw milk has a good track record for food safety, with fewer illnesses than a number of "legal foods". With consumers obtaining raw dairy products direct from the farm, there is a higher degree of transparency and traceability than there is with most foods. Please approve this Bill. |
| 2/3/2017 | 15:38:54 | Martinsdale | MT | 59053 | Please pass the Montana Raw Milk Bill (HB 325). We as consumers should be allowed free choice when it comes to what we feed our families. The risks involved with raw milk are far less than the risks of many foods legally sold in grocery stores, and the health benefits are so much greater. Please stand up for the individual rather than just the large corporations. |
| 2/3/2017 | 16:22:20 | Fort Benton | MT | 59442 | I want to not only be able to choose my dairy and food choices but I also want to be able to provide these healthy choices. I own dairy goats, drink the milk, make cheese and yogurt. Under the current law I am not allowed to sell to even friends and family who so desperately want a healthier alternative to the ultrapasteurized products offered in stores. When they have to add vitamins and white dyes back in to replace what they have destroyed....do you really think that is healthier?? I was raised on raw milk . Both grandparents as well as our family had milk cows. Our children also had goats milk when we had the milking goats before. Now I have a small herd that other than what I drink and use, I have to make soap with as it is the only commodity I can sell as income from my herd other than the livestock itself. When we bought several of our goats in WA, the dairy owner sells his raw milk at \$19/ gallon and cannot keep up with demand! People know the value of the raw milk there as a highly nutritious food source for their families. I feel it is important for people to be able to choose their own food sources. Please pass this important bill |
| 2/3/2017 | 16:22:49 | Missoula | MT | 59802 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 17:18:11 | Charlo | MT | 59824 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 18:56:45 | Missoula | MT | 59802 | There's really no substitute for raw milk when you make your own cheese. Science shows sickness from milk comes from poor handling, not lack of pasteurized. This probation [sp? prohibition] is outdated and unsupported by science. |
| 2/3/2017 | 19:06:28 | Red Lodge | MT | 59068 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 19:10:12 | Brockway | MT | 59214 | I urge you to please pass the Montana Raw Milk Bill HB325. The safe exchange of raw milk has been a common occurrence for years and years. By making the sale of raw milk illegal, you are only making criminals out of good people. It's cow's milk for goodness sake. More people get sick and/or die from prescription drugs or vaccines than the consumption of raw milk. |
| 2/3/2017 | 19:13:41 | Stevensville | MT | 59870 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 19:33:37 | Hamilton | MT | 59840 | Please support HB 325. The consumption of raw milk and raw milk products is already a legal right throughout the United States; consumers should be able to obtain these products legally from Montana sources. Montanans should be able to make health decisions for themselves. My brother, who has battled colon cancer and infections that nearly took his life, needed to drink raw milk and he should not have to commit a crime to do so. |
| 2/3/2017 | 20:33:59 | Victor | MT | 59875 | I want the option of buying milk where I want |
| 2/3/2017 | 20:44:28 | Ennis | MT | 59729 | I Support HB 325 for direct raw milk sales in Montana. It is my right to be able to choose my own food as I see fit, especially because raw milk kefir is one thing that dramatically helps some health issues I face. |
| 2/3/2017 | 21:11:00 | Victor | MT | 58975 | |
| 2/3/2017 | 22:24:03 | Great Falls | MT | 59405 | |

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| 2/3/2017 | 22:50:04 | Missoula | MT | 59803 | For years my son with multiple allergies struggled to drink milk. Raw milk is the only milk he can drink without digestive problems. Four years of safely drinking milk, I grew up on farm fresh milk from my grandparents farm in MT. with no problems. |
| 2/4/2017 | 0:30:02 | Philipsburg | MT | 59858 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:13:23 | Clinton | MT | 59825 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:34:13 | Bigfork | MT | 59911 | I have an allergy to pasteurized milk, but not to raw milk. I want legal access to this important food, for my health, and for the probiotics it contains that boost my immune system. |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:35:27 | Bigfork | MT | 59911 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:39:57 | Browning | MT | 59417 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:53:16 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | The nutrition profile of pasteurized, homogenized milk pales in comparison to raw milk. We all could benefit from the full nutritional profile of fresh raw milk. It should not be a crime to purchase raw milk. Making it illegal is criminal. |
| 2/4/2017 | 1:54:22 | Cascade | MT | 59421 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 3:59:11 | Manhattan | MT | 59741 | I urge you to pass this bill in favor of food freedom. We, as human beings, have the right to decide what does and what does not go into our bodies. There is no evidence that raw milk is a dangerous food. Actually, people who otherwise cannot drink milk (pasteurized) because of lactose intolerance or other milk sensitivities benefit from raw milk and are able to digest it and benefit from its nutrition, because the enzymes (protein) in raw milk are not denatured and rendered useless by the heat of pasteurization. In any case, we the people of Montana should not have to "urge our lawmakers" to "allow" us to drink milk from the source. Eliminate this prohibition and decriminalize the sale of raw milk. |
| 2/4/2017 | 4:19:45 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | This legislation MUST be passed!!!! very important to boost the economy for the state of Montana and support the people's right to choose their food of choice..... |
| 2/4/2017 | 10:34:05 | Broadview | MT | 59015 | Please vote yes to make real food legal again in Montana. Even the dairies dip out of the tank because they know how good and healthy the real raw milk is for a body. |
| 2/4/2017 | 13:04:32 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | Please support HB 325 regarding the sale of raw milk. Raw milk, when procured properly, is not a health threat. In fact, when procured properly, it is a nutritional powerhouse that we, Montanans, should have access to. |
| 2/4/2017 | 13:29:53 | Belgrade | MT | 59714 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 13:52:05 | Bozeman | MT | 59715 | I Support HB 325 for direct raw milk sales in Montana. I want to choose the better nutrition of properly procured raw milk for my family. |
| 2/4/2017 | 15:11:37 | Pray | MT | 59065 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 15:36:52 | Clinton | MT | 59825 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 16:06:00 | Helena | MT | 59601 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 19:13:48 | Pryor | MT | 59066 | It would be wonderful to give the choice of raw milk drinking back to the private person, not the government. Thank you |
| 2/4/2017 | 19:42:19 | Baker | MT | 59313 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 19:58:54 | Bigfork | MT | 59911 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 20:42:56 | Billings | MT | 59105 | I support HB 325!! Montana needs to allow the on farm sales of raw milk for small operations!! |
| 2/4/2017 | 20:51:08 | Cardwell | MT | 59722 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 23:04:57 | Clinton | MT | 59825 | |
| 2/4/2017 | 23:53:00 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | It is about being free to decide for yourself what you want to put in your body. |

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| 2/5/2017 | 1:43:20 | Lewistown | MT | 59457 | We support HB 325. We have had dairy cows for years and wish we lived closer to our grandchildren so we could share milk with them. But since we don't live close we'd like our grown children to have the right to buy raw milk for themselves and their children. [Mr. and Mrs. D. H.] |
| 2/5/2017 | 14:40:58 | Bozeman | MT | 59718 | |
| 2/5/2017 | 16:19:59 | Hamilton | MT | 59840 | Processed milk only benefits the big milk corporations. The process turns healthy protein into sugar and destroys all the goodness of milk and I can't drink it! Raw milk has worked for humans for 1000s of years. When the legislation represents a particular lobby it doesn't represent me - us! |
| 2/5/2017 | 16:59:45 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | Please pass house bill 325 to legalize the on farm sale of raw milk. This is a safe product that increases the health of consumers and a viable option to allow family farms to be sustainable. |
| 2/5/2017 | 17:22:22 | Augusta | GA | 30906 | |
| 2/5/2017 | 18:25:26 | Park City | MT | 59063 | I support HB 325! Montana citizens deserve the freedom to decide and make their own food choices. Small scale milk producers should be able to sell their products directly from the farm..it improves local economies and helps ensure a fresher product with more transparency. |
| 2/5/2017 | 18:33:46 | Ennis | MT | 59729 | |
| 2/5/2017 | 21:05:04 | Billings | MT | 59101 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 4:01:44 | Billings | MT | 50102 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 4:03:27 | Billings | MT | 50102 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 4:09:25 | Billings | MT | 59105 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 4:57:09 | Billings | MT | 59106 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 4:58:10 | Billings | MT | 59106 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 15:19:57 | Bozeman | MT | 59715 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 16:06:25 | Billings | MT | 59101 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 16:12:40 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 17:11:18 | Denver | CO | 80223 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 18:22:26 | Marysville | MT | 59640 | To Whom It May Concern, There are many reasons raw milk is beneficial to healthy living. HB 325 should be passed, and I am urging the legislators to vote yes on the Bill. [J. N.] |
| 2/6/2017 | 19:14:24 | Billings | MT | 59105 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 19:29:36 | Helena | MT | 59602 | Montanans deserve the right to choose what type of milk they want to buy. Just like we can purchase raw meat, eggs, and honey, we should be able to purchase raw milk. Raw milk is beneficial in many products such as soaps and cheeses as well as drinking in its natural form. Heating the milk oxidizes most of the vitamins and kills both good and bad bacteria. This greatly reduces the benefits of consuming milk. Many vitamins are fat soluble and therefore are no longer present in reduced fat milks the big dairy's offer. Please vote yes on HB 325 to support small farmers and consumer demands for a raw milk option. People deserve the right to choose! |
| 2/6/2017 | 20:10:48 | Martinsdale | MT | 59053 | |
| 2/6/2017 | 20:59:41 | Billings | MT | 59102 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 3:30:43 | Red Lodge | MT | 59068 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 6:38:06 | Clancy | MT | 59635 | |

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| 2/7/2017 | 16:31:40 | Laurel | MT | 59044 | My family enjoys the consumption of raw milk and support HB 325. Raw milk is already legal in many states throughout the United States and I believe consumers should be able to obtain these products legally from local Montana sources. When you can buy your food directly from the farmer there is a greater transparency and higher quality controls in place. Raw milk has a good track record in food safety when it is produced on a small scale and is a great source of income for rural farmers. Please support HB 325 Thank you, [The B. Family] |
| 2/7/2017 | 16:38:14 | Billings | MT | 59102 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 18:54:17 | Bozeman | MT | 59718 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 19:20:33 | Big Sandy | MT | 59520 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 19:41:34 | Harrison | MT | 59735 | |
| 2/7/2017 | 19:52:23 | Hamilton | MT | 59840 | People are always amazed when they find out that selling raw milk is illegal here in Montana. The most common response is an eye roll and snide remark. These comments come from both interested buyers and happy consumers of pasteurized milk. What I find interesting is that public opinion and our current law makers seem to be on two very different tracks with this issue. Aren't they in office to represent us? Or have they decided that they know better than we and need to make our decisions for us? Sadly, it appears to be the latter. The issue of legalizing raw milk is not a safety issue, as many want us to think, but a control issue. I would like you to think about this for a minute. If they can keep milk illegal than what is next? Will it soon be illegal to buy eggs from your neighbor? Or fresh produce at the farmer's market? Or that quarter of beef you buy every Fall from the rancher down the road? Or even start regulating yard sales? It is time our State Government start listening to Montanans. If you would like to be able to purchase raw milk support HB 325! And if you could care less about raw milk still support HB 325! Each small step that we take to take back our freedoms matter, for all of us. |
| 2/7/2017 | 23:16:16 | Pony | MT | 59747 | I am in favor of the raw milk bill being passed as my family, friends and I have enjoyed the health benefits of raw milk for decades and would like to be able to buy raw milk when we aren't able to produce it ourselves and to sell it when we are able to. |
| 2/8/2017 | 0:21:38 | Bozeman | MT | 59715 | I support HB 325. I believe people should be given the freedom to choose for themselves whether or not they would like to consume raw milk. Legalizing the sale of raw milk as has been done in so many other states is also an important way to allow small dairy farmers to exist in today's market. |
| 2/8/2017 | 1:50:57 | Saint Regis | MT | 59866 | I ask that you support HB 325 'legalizing' the sale of raw milk in Montana. We are an agricultural based state. Many of our families were raised on raw milk and raw milk products and enjoyed health way better than what almost every American has today. The fact of research proving the positive health impacts of raw milk and the severe and negative impacts of pasteurized and processed milk done by Weston Price and other medical professionals stands against the falsehoods claimed by the government and dairy industry. That the government continually insists that raw milk is evil and pasteurized milk is healthy and it is upheld by our state 'leadership' is beyond credible belief. Weston Price has a website with indepth scientific research that is irrefutable. Take a look and support the healthy choices of the people you were elected to serve. All of us. |
| 2/8/2017 | 3:14:51 | Wibaux | MT | 59353 | |
| 2/8/2017 | 3:22:25 | Bozeman | MT | 59715 | When I travel in Idaho, I can stop and buy raw milk at grocery stores. I want that same ability in my home state. I had it when I first moved to Bozeman 40 years ago (and I'm here to tell the tale). |
| 2/8/2017 | 5:35:15 | Plevna | MT | 59344 | |

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| 2/8/2017 | 15:16:45 | Red Lodge | MT | 59068 | I have been drinking raw milk for 3 years now. It has all 20 amino acids and essential fatty acids. Pasteurization kills all the natural vitamins in the milk so that synthetic vitamins have to be added back into the store product. Also the beneficial enzymes are destroyed by the heat. Homogenization changes the healthy fats in milk to small artery clogging fats and changes the proteins so that they become inflammatory to the body. I would not drink "store-bought" milk ever again as it is actually creates illness. Raw milk is one of the healthiest foods available. It also contains lactoferrin, an iron-binding protein which has anti-cancer, anti-viral and anti-microbial properties. Please allow direct sale of raw milk in Montana. Thank you |
| 2/8/2017 | 17:11:39 | Missoula | MT | 59804 | |
| 2/8/2017 | 17:49:12 | Belt | MT | 59412 | There are 40 states where raw milk is legal and it makes sense for the agricultural state of Montana to be number 41. Raw milk is a natural product with proven health benefits. It is frustrating that some products that could be actually detrimental to one's health are legal, while it is illegal to purchase raw milk. Please support HB 325 and allow the consumer the choice of purchasing raw milk! Thank you so much for your consideration of this bill! |
| 2/8/2017 | 20:12:25 | Shepherd | MT | 59079 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 3:21:53 | Darby | MT | 59829 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 4:11:35 | Helena | MT | 59602 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 4:19:36 | Absarokee | MT | 59001 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 6:48:27 | Stevensville | MT | 59870 | Five good reasons to make raw milk legal in Montana/to support HB 325... 1. The consumption of raw milk and raw milk products is already a legal right throughout the United States; consumers should be able to obtain these products legally from Montana sources. 2. The current prohibition on the sale of raw milk is costing Montana farmers revenue. Why should producers in neighboring states get the business of Montana consumers? 3. Raw milk sales will boost the rural economy of Montana; producers offering raw milk and raw milk products can increase their sales of other farm foods once consumers are buying from their farms. 4. Raw milk has a good track record for food safety, with fewer illnesses than a number of "legal foods". With consumers obtaining raw dairy products direct from the farm, there is a higher degree of transparency and traceability than there is with most foods. 5. HB 325 affirms the right to contract and respects property rights of Montana consumers who are seeking to obtain raw milk and raw milk products through private ownership in dairy livestock. |
| 2/9/2017 | 6:53:33 | Lewistown | MT | 59457 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 8:30:03 | Helmville | MT | 59843 | Please support legal raw milk sales in Montana, so that people who want to partake of quality raw milk can do so without having to own their own dairy animal or break the law |
| 2/9/2017 | 12:46:23 | Belle Fourche | SD | 57717 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 15:55:20 | Conrad | MT | 59425 | I support HB 325. Up and coming farms along with existing farms would greatly benefit from this passing. Diversity on the farm and ranch allows for greater sustainability. I encourage you to vote yes for food choice! |
| 2/9/2017 | 16:10:48 | Livingston | MT | 59047 | I feel the benefits of raw milk far outweigh anything negative. I feel people should be able to make their own choices. As an Ag state I believe we should be on the cutting edge of agriculture not standing in line behind 40 other states that have legalized raw milk sales already. |
| 2/9/2017 | 22:38:55 | Thompson Falls | MT | 59873 | |
| 2/9/2017 | 22:39:45 | Thompson Falls | MT | 59873 | |

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| 2/10/2017 | 0:02:02 | Butte | MT | 59701 | I have generations of farmers in my family that were established in the Midwest & Iowa. My father was raised on a farm and I was fortunate enough to also be raised on a farm. I am now farming here in Montana, which is "suppose" to be an agricultural state. Every single person in our generations was raised on fresh cows milk, all of us grew up to be extremely healthy, never sickly like people are now, not one time did we EVER experience any kind of food poisoning from drinking raw milk. I urge you to please vote for HB 325 and make it legal and "right" for Montana producers and consumers to have the personal right and option of buying and supplying a God given food source to those of us who do not want to feed commercial chemical and poison laden milk to our families. People who want raw milk know what they are asking for and accept responsibility for that choice; we don't need "big brother politicians" telling us what we cannot eat. Montana is "wild west" RED state not a "nanny state." Montana consumers who don't care about what kind of chemical laden foods they put in their bodies are not stopped from making that choice, why should those of us who choose to eat healthy farm raised products be stopped from making that same choice? I have lived long enough to see what the centralization and industrialization of food production has done to our population. My paternal grandmother lived to be almost 100 years old and never had one ounce of industrialized food pass her lips. She drank raw milk everyday, ate vegetables and fruit from her own property and farm raised meats and she died of OLD AGE and not some dreaded disease that has flooded our population since food has been mass commercialized. I think it is time for Montana politicians to start paying attention to the voters and taxpayers of this state and what WE want, not what the lobbyist corporations want. If you want to worry about people getting sick from food (milk) why don't you turn your attentions to the hundreds of people in Montana who are being infected daily by salmonella for corporate industrialized food. |
| 2/10/2017 | 0:51:40 | Wolf creek | MT | 59648 | |
| 2/10/2017 | 13:05:21 | Helena | MT | 59602 | |
| 2/10/2017 | 15:39:27 | Manhattan | MT | 59741 | I urge you to support HB 325. I take offense at the criminalization of raw milk when there are so many things on our grocery store shelves that are so much worse for us. The health benefits are obvious to those who have regularly consumed it. I can destroy my body with sugar, alcohol and the wide array of untested food additives/replacements (not to mention prescription and over the counter medications), but I do not have the freedom to choose a wholesome food that has been consumed for thousands of years? Please allow reasonable people the freedom to choose raw milk. |
| 2/10/2017 | 18:19:58 | Bozeman | MT | 59718 | I support HB 325.....Government should not regulate what we eat and drink.....[D. R.] |
| 2/11/2017 | 19:45:35 | Havre | MT | 59501 | I Support HB 325 for direct raw milk sales in Montana. |
| 2/11/2017 | 23:18:41 | Park City | MT | 59063 | |
| 2/12/2017 | 20:30:53 | Helena | MT | 59601 | |
| 2/14/2017 | 0:45:50 | Bigfork | MT | 59911 | I can make my own food choices, I trust my local farmer far more than I trust the food off the store shelves. Give me the freedom to choose. |
| 2/14/2017 | 18:46:13 | Anaconda | MT | 59711 | |