

# Government

**6 October 2014 MTN House debate/boz JY**

Democrat John Lewis and Republican Ryan Zinke sharpened the differences in their stance on several issues during their second debate in Bozeman. The event Saturday night was sponsored by the Montana Television Network.

The two faced off just days earlier at a debate in Billings.

As Jackie Yamanka reports the two men continued their disagreement over the Affordable Care Act.

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**6 October 2014 – Tape delayed – US House debate from Bozeman;** sponsored by MTN (originally aired Oct 4, 2014)

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**HOST OUT:** You can find a link to read the entire 2014 MSUB Poll at our website: [ypradio-dot-org-slash-news](http://ypradio-dot-org-slash-news)

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In the race for the open U-S House Seat, Republican Ryan Zike is leading Democrat John Lewis by a 40-to-33 percent margin.

Montana State Billings Political Science Professor Craig Wilson.

**WILSON: well, I think the H race is probably – in relative terms – a bit closer than a lot of people thought. (:12)**

About 25 percent of respondents said they were undecided.

It's an open seat because incumbent Republican Congressman Steve Daines is running for the open U-S Senate Seat.

The MSUB Poll found Daines leading Democrat Amanda Curtis by a 47-to-31-percent margin.

Professor Mathew McMullen is one of the poll's co-directors. He says what's notable about that is Daines is polling below 50-percent.

**McMULLEN: so maybe if there's any hope for, any silver lining for the Democrats in this poll is that Daines is below 50. (:12)**

Just over 20% of respondents said they were undecided in Montana's U-S Senate race.

The poll was conducted October 6<sup>th</sup>-through the 11<sup>th</sup>. This was just as voters were receiving absentee ballots in the mail.

It has a margin of error of plus or minus 5-percentage points.

The pollsters say about half of respondents were contacted via their cell phones.

**20 October 2014: LIVE U-S Senate debate from Petro Theater at MSU Billings.**

## Environment

**15 Oct 2014 US House race/public lands JY**

Both the Democratic and Republican U-S House candidates agree access to public lands in Montana is a critical part of the state's culture and heritage.

But that's about all they agree on when it comes to this issue.

As Jackie Yamanaka reports, Democrat John Lewis is aggressively going after Zinke on the issue of public lands. So Zinke held a press conference in Billings today (yesterday) to reiterate his position.

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## Health

**8 October 2014      Health Care workforce grant      JY**

The Montana Department of Labor and Industry has projected the state will need an additional 13-hundred health care workers each year for the next 10 years.

To help educate that workforce, Montana recently received a 15-million dollar federal grant.

As Jackie Yamanaka reports, the money will be used train workers in allied health and nursing through Montana's two-year, community, and tribal colleges.

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**10 October 2014      Lindeen/specialty Rx prices      JY**

Montanans who need specialty prescription drugs to battle cancer, multiple sclerosis, hepatitis, and other diseases will see changes in the way the four largest insurance companies cover those medications.

As Jackie Yamanaka reports, the state Insurance Commissioner negotiated the change for the companies that offer insurance in Montana under the federal Affordable Care Act.

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## Women's Issues

**8 Oct 2014      Curtis/Women's Rally in Blgs      JY**

Democratic U-S Senate Candidate Amanda Curtis says the contrast between her and her Republican opponent couldn't be more clear than when it comes to issues on women.

Curtis held a noon-time rally on the lawn outside the Yellowstone County Courthouse. Jackie Yamanaka reports.

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## Economy

**9 Oct 2014      MT Biz and Global Economy      JY**

There are opportunities for Montana businesses to sell their goods and services in the global marketplace.

Washington Companies based in Missoula is an example of a thriving Missoula-based business competing overseas.

As Jackie Yamanaka reports, President and CEO Larry Simkins was in Billings today (yesterday) to talk to community leaders and economic development officials about "building remarkable."

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**16 October 2014          Minneapolis Fed President/econ   JY**

The president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis says economically this district is an exciting part of the world. The 9<sup>th</sup> district covers six states, including North Dakota and Montana.

Jackie Yamanaka sat down with the district's president to talk about the health of the region's economy and has this report.

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