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THE  
FACTS”**



# MTIBRS Training & Technical Assistance

**Bond Book MCA Codes Replace MTIBRS Codes**



## Seemed easy...

- ▶ Montana first mapped the Uniformed Crime Reporting (UCR) statutes in 1978
- ▶ Annual changes were made based on modifications to FBI rules or Montana laws
- ▶ Often...
  - ▶ Many UCR codes to one MCA (e.g. PFMA)
  - ▶ Many MCAs to one UCR code (e.g. Aggravated Assault)
- ▶ Any changes to statutes required all MTIBRS reporting agencies (over 100) to make changes individually



# Applying 45 years of lessons learned

- ▶ 2019 - Montana received an FBI grant to update MTIBRS to the most recent FBI NIBRS tech specs
  - ▶ This change allowed for the ability to convert from flat file NIBRS to XML
- ▶ In 2020, the SAC was awarded a grant to assist local law enforcement & vendors with XML conversions
- ▶ These funds allowed MBCC/SAC to use 45 years of UCR, and 20 years of NIBRS data to course correct for the next chapter in crime reporting





# *New and improved* MTIBRS coding

- ▶ Because of the 2 grants, and feedback from agencies, the biggest MTIBRS change was born
  - ▶ *Using the MCAs for our MTIBRS crosswalk*
- ▶ Who memorized the MTIBRS codes?
- ▶ Taking a page from NCIC playbook
- ▶ Inconsistencies can be handled at the state level
  - ▶ Reducing NIBRS “non-sense”
  - ▶ Increasing data consistency and reliability across MT
  - ▶ Reducing vendor and agency time



# Things we've learned

- ▶ Some laws are not in the bond book
  - ▶ 46-6-212 Failure to appear
  - ▶ 46-9-311 Revocation of bail
- ▶ Modifiers for 9 MCAs - (such as 45-5-206 PFMA)
- ▶ Some MTIBRS options were deactivated - (45-5-202 ag assault)
- ▶ MCAs changed from flat file to XML - (20-4-303, Abuse of teachers, non-aggravated 13B to 90Z)
- ▶ 45-6-301 - Theft - **UG!**  

# Flexibility - consistency - simplicity (sort of)

Bond book MCA	Modifier	UCR	MCA or CFR Description
45-6-301[FEL]	C	240	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (motor vehicle theft)
45-6-301[FEL]	D	23A	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (pickpocket)
45-6-301[FEL]	E	23B	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (purse snatch)
45-6-301[FEL]	F	23C	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (shoplifting)
45-6-301[FEL]	G	23D	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (from building)
45-6-301[FEL]	H	23E	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (from coin operated machine)
45-6-301[FEL]	I	23F	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (belongings from vehicle)
45-6-301[FEL]	J	23G	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (MV parts/accessories)
45-6-301[FEL]	K	23H	Theft of Property >\$5,000/Common Scheme (all other)
<b>45-6-301[FEL]</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>26B-2024</b>	<b><i>Theft of Property &gt;\$5,000/Common Scheme (credit card fraud)</i></b>
<b>45-6-301[FEL]</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>26E-2024</b>	<b><i>Theft of Property &gt;\$5,000/Common Scheme (wire fraud)</i></b>
<b>45-6-301[FEL]</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>26A-2024</b>	<b><i>Theft of Property &gt;\$5,000/Common Scheme (fraud all other)</i></b>
<b>45-6-301[FEL]</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>26C-2024</b>	<b><i>Theft of Property &gt;\$5,000/Common Scheme (impersonation)</i></b>



## Set in stone... NOPE!

- ▶ The new MCA mapping is still a baby
- ▶ We have already collected numerous changes to be presented to the state and vendors at the end of the year
  - ▶ Options presented will have been vetted by the FBI and our MTIBRS repository vendor
- ▶ Growth and training
- ▶ Potential for vendor user groups

# Upcoming Training

- ▶ July 19, 2023 - Intimidation Assault PFMA Issues
- ▶ August 2, 2023 - XML Scheduled Submissions
- ▶ <https://mbcc.mt.gov/Data/MTIBRS-Training>

*Do you have suggestions for future session topics? We'd love to hear them! Please email your ideas to [MBCData@mt.gov](mailto:MBCData@mt.gov)*



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