

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Rick Jore, on January 22, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 137 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rick Jore, Chairman (C)
Rep. Roger Koopman, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Holly Raser, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bob Lake (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Michael Lange (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present:

Donci Bardash, Committee Secretary
Susan Fox, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 267, 1/12/2007; HB 283,
1/12/2007
Executive Action: HB 45; HB 135; HB 178; HB 181; HB
182

00:00:52 Rep. Jore

HEARING ON HB 267

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:17 Rep. Ron Erickson (D), HD 93, opened the hearing on
HB 267, Clarify impact fee laws.

EXHIBIT(edh14a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:46 John McGee, Florence-Carlton School District

EXHIBIT(edh14a02)

00:14:26 Terri Win, Sommers and Lakeside School District

00:20:24 Lance Melton, Montana School Boards Association

EXHIBIT(edh14a03)

00:22:57 Tim Davis, Montana Smart Growth Coalition

00:26:41 Don Hoffman, East Helena School District

00:27:26 Gary Griffith, Monforten School District

00:30:25 Annie Glover, MEA/MFT

Opponents' Testimony:

00:31:06 Dustin Stewart, Montana Building Industry Association

EXHIBIT(edh14a04)

00:38:20 Glenn Oppel, Montana Association of Realtors

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:58 Rep. Everett

00:39:30 Mr. Melton

00:39:41 Rep. Everett

00:40:05 Mr. McGee

00:40:15 Rep. Everett

00:40:38 Mr. McGee

00:40:57 Rep. Lake

00:42:12 Ms. Fox

00:43:41 Rep. Lake

00:44:08 Ms. Fox

00:44:44 Rep. Lake

00:45:13 Mr. McGee

00:46:02 Rep. Wilmer

00:46:37 Mr. Stewart

00:46:54 Rep. Lange arrives

00:46:58 Rep. Wilmer

00:47:05 Mr. Stewart

00:47:46 Rep. Wilmer
00:48:11 Mr. Stewart
00:49:06 Rep. Cordier
00:49:51 Mr. McGee
00:50:31 Rep. Cordier
00:50:40 Mr. McGee

Closing by Sponsor:

00:51:46 Rep. Erickson

HEARING ON HB 283

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:54:22 Rep. Margaret Campbell (D), HD 31, opened the hearing on HB 283, Increase amount for non-beneficiary students.

[EXHIBIT \(edh14a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(edh14a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(edh14a07\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:03:51 Rep. Carol Juneau, SD 8, Browning
01:06:23 J.Wescom, Fort Peck College Student
01:07:23 Evelyn Red Elk a.k.a. Sacred Voice Heard, student
01:09:18 Faye Kasuske, Fort Peck College student
01:10:48 Joe McDonald, Salish Kootenai College President
[EXHIBIT \(edh14a08\)](#)
01:13:14 Andrew Zimmer, Salish Kootenai College student
01:16:17 Alexis Johnson, Stonechild College student
01:18:25 Callie Scott, Salish Kootenai College student
01:20:50 Richard Little Bear, Chief Donlife College
01:24:05 Leah Cabigas, Stone Child College student
01:26:25 Melanie Strong, Salish Kootenai College graduate
01:28:24 John Saloas, Blackfeet Community College
01:29:51 Patricia Castro, Blackfeet Community College student
01:31:05 Antoinette Juarez, Blackfeet Community College student
01:32:38 Vince Mace, Fort Belknap College student
01:34:42 Kaine Bishop, Fort Belknap College student
01:35:27 Rep. Joey Jayne, HD 15, Arlee
01:37:19 Sen. Frank Smith, SD 16, Poplar
01:39:20 Anita Big Spring, Salish Kootenai College
01:40:55 Rep. Bixby
01:43:18 Linda Racine, Blackfeet Community College

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:44:47 Rep. Lange
01:45:27 Rep. Campbell
01:45:37 Rep. Lange
01:46:21 Rep. Campbell
01:46:40 Rep. Lange
01:47:16 Rep. Campbell
01:47:25 Rep. Ward
01:47:44 Rep. Campbell
01:48:06 Rep. Everett
01:48:20 Rep. Campbell
01:48:43 Rep. Lake
01:49:12 Rep. Campbell
01:49:45 Mr. McDonald
01:50:11 Rep. Butcher
01:50:42 Mr. McDonald
01:51:07 Rep. Butcher
01:51:20 Mr. McDonald
01:51:32 Rep. Butcher
01:51:40 Mr. McDonald
01:52:21 Rep. Butcher
01:52:42 Mr. McDonald
01:53:00 Rep. Butcher
01:54:12 Mr. McDonald
01:54:42 Rep. Jore
01:54:56 Mr. Zimmer

Closing by Sponsor:

01:55:13 Rep. Campbell

01:58:38 Break
02:08:43 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 45

02:09:26 **Motion:** Rep. Ward moved that **HB 45 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:09:51 Rep. Ward
02:12:28 Rep. Raser
02:12:48 Rep. Ward
02:13:54 Rep. Raser
02:14:12 Rep. Ward
02:14:43 Rep. Raser
02:15:34 Rep. Ward
02:17:08 Rep. Raser

02:17:25 Rep. Ward

02:18:03 Rep. Lake

02:18:43 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Lange made a substitute motion that **HB 45 BE TABLED**. Substitute motion carried by roll call vote with Reps. Raser, Wilmer, Cordier, Grinde, Hamilton, and Bixby voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 135

02:20:32 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 135 DO PASS**.

02:20:55 **Motion:** Rep. Grinde moved that **HB 135 BE AMENDED**.
EXHIBIT(edh14a09)

Discussion:

02:21:54 Rep. Grinde

02:22:37 Rep. Jore

02:22:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:23:14 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that the HB 135 **DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

02:23:24 Rep. Raser

EXHIBIT(edh14a10)

02:24:31 Rep. Jore

02:24:47 Rep. Lake

02:26:00 Rep. Jore

02:26:12 Rep. Lake

02:26:18 Rep. Grinde

02:27:10 Rep. Lange

02:27:52 Rep. Raser

02:29:35 Rep. Bixby

02:30:48 Rep. Hamilton

02:31:34 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hamilton **CALLED THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION THAT HB 135 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion failed 6-9 by roll call vote with Reps. Raser, Wilmer, Cordier, Grinde, Hamilton, and Bixby voting aye.

02:32:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 135 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 181

02:34:16 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 181 DO PASS.**

02:34:40 **Motion:** Rep. Grinde moved that **HB 181 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(edh14a11)

Discussion:

02:35:22 Rep. Grinde

02:36:17 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Butcher **CALLED THE QUESTION ON THE AMENDMENT.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:36:43 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 181 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

02:37:08 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Everett **CALLED THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION THAT HB 181 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion failed 6-9 by roll call vote with Reps. Raser, Wilmer, Cordier, Grinde, Hamilton, and Bixby voting aye.

02:38:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Lange moved that **HB 181 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried by voice vote with Rep. Raser voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 182

02:38:50 **Motion:** Rep. Raser moved that **HB 182 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:39:24 Rep. Wilmer

02:39:44 Rep. Jore

02:40:23 Rep. Raser withdrew her motion without objection.

02:40:52 Rep. Jore

02:41:27 Rep. Lake

ADJOURNMENT

02:41:52 Adjournment: 5:42 P.M.

REP. RICK JORE, Chairman

DONCI BARDASH, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([edh14aad.pdf](#))