

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Jon Sonju, on February 9, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 455 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jon Sonju, Chairman (R)
Rep. Kevin T. Furey, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bill Nooney, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Edward Hilbert (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel (D)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Brady Wiseman (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Katie Butcher, Committee Secretary
Leanne Heisel, 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 441, HB 504
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 441

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:53 Rep. Carol Lambert (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 441, Require opt out of brain injury donation on vehicle registration.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:38 Anita Roessmann, Brain Injury Association of Montana

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a06\)](#)

00:11:35 Jim Hunt, Montana Trial Lawyers Association (MTLA)

00:17:12 Nathalia Marquis, Helena Brain Injury Support Group (HBIS)

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a07\)](#)

00:19:18 Peter Waite, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a08\)](#)

00:21:21 Shawna Mickel, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a09\)](#)

00:22:34 Tony Kolnik

00:24:13 Karen Cyr, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a10\)](#)

00:26:09 Walter Schaible, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a11\)](#)

00:27:33 Hazel Harley, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a12\)](#)

00:32:01 Judy Erickson, HBIS

[EXHIBIT\(trh29a13\)](#)

00:33:17 Al Smith, MTLA

00:34:06 Beverly Urich and Daughter Ally Urich, HBIS

00:37:30 Joseph Kerins, HBIS

Opponents' Testimony:

00:41:31 Rhonda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:43:07 Rep. Arntzen

00:43:31 Ms. Roessmann

00:45:21 Rep. Nooney
00:45:39 Rep. Lambert
00:46:23 Rep. Sonju
00:46:28 Ms. Roessmann
00:47:27 Rep. Nooney
00:47:31 Ms. Roessmann
00:47:44 Rep. Kottel
00:48:50 Mr. Hunt
00:51:28 Rep. Arntzen
00:51:52 Ms. Wiggers
00:52:55 Rep. Sonju
00:53:01 Ms. Wiggers
00:53:10 Ms. Roessmann
00:53:57 Rep. Sonju
00:54:12 Ms. Roessmann
00:55:20 James Driggers, Department of Health and Human Services
00:56:57 Rep. Sonju
00:57:47 Rep. Lambert
00:59:13 Rep. Sonju
00:59:15 Leanne Heisel
01:00:24 Rep. Sonju
01:00:28 Rep. Hilbert
01:01:04 Ms. Wiggers
01:01:28 Rep. Nooney
01:01:54 Ms. Roessmann
01:05:23 Rep. Sonju
01:06:07 Ms. Roessmann
01:06:50 Rep. Kottel
01:07:57 Ms. Roessmann

Closing by Sponsor:

01:09:37 Rep. Lambert

01:12:34__Break

01:19:38 Reconvene _____

HEARING ON HB 504

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:19:57 Rep. Dave Gallik (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 504, Revise motor vehicle laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:21:54 David Armstrong

Opponents' Testimony:

01:25:24 Aidan Myhre, Auto Alliance

Informational Testimony:

01:27:24 Barry (Spook) Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:27:54 Rep. Hilbert

01:29:39 Rep. Gallik

Closing by Sponsor:

01:30:26 Rep. Gallik

ADJOURNMENT

01:30:58 Adjournment

REP. JON SONJU, Chairman

KATIE BUTCHER, Secretary

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