

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By Chairman John Sinrud, on April 16, 2007 at 4:20 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, 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: SB 407, 4/14/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON SB 407

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:02 Sen. Keith Bales (R), SD 20, opened the hearing on SB 407, Authorizing emergency discharges of coal bed methane water.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:34 Steve Pilcher, Montana Stockgrowers' Association

00:04:23 Gary Forrester, Fidelity Exploration and Production

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:04:57 Rep. Ripley

00:05:13 Sen. Bales

Closing by Sponsor:

00:05:49 Sen. Bales

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

JS/lk

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([aph80aad.pdf](#))