

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on January 5, 2007
at 1:30 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Lois O'Connor, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, 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: Organizational Meeting, 1/5/2007
Executive Action: Use of proxy votes

Introductions:

00:00:00 Committee members and staff introduced themselves and provided a brief synopsis of their legislative backgrounds. They also expressed their personal interests in agricultural, livestock, and irrigation issues.

00:06:56 **SEN. FRANK SMITH, SD 16, POPLAR** was appointed vice chair.

Proxy Votes:

00:09:44 Discussion of the use of proxy votes

00:11:32

Motion/Vote: SEN. STEINBEISSER moved the approval of proxy votes as done in previous Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation Committees. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

00:12:15 Sen. Hansen informed the Committee and interested persons that there would be no cell phone use allowed during a Committee meeting and that all interested person must sign the Visitors Sheet.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 1:40 P.M.

SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

LOIS O'CONNOR, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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