

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN CAROLYN SQUIRES**, on January 22, 2007
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Carolyn Squires, Chairman (D)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Jim Shockley (R)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Lois O'Connor, Committee Secretary

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 252, 1/17/2007; SB 239,
1/17/2007; SB 260, 1/17/2007
Executive Action: None.

00:00:42

HEARING ON SB 252

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:22 SEN. LANE LARSON (D), SD 22, opened the hearing on SB 252, Road name change law. Sen. Larson requested that the hearing be postponed until Wednesday, January 24, 2007, to allow for proponent testimony.

Proponents' Testimony: None.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:03:27 The hearing on SB 252 was postponed until Wednesday, January 24, 2007, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 335.

HEARING ON SB 239

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:03 SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 239, Revise driver's license laws for military personnel.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:18 Roger Hagan, Montana National Guard Associations (MTNGA)

00:07:37 Harris Himes, Retired Marine Officer

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:08:37 Sen. Balyeat

HEARING ON SB 260

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:15 **SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R) , SD 45**, opened the hearing on **SB 260**, Felony for illegal alien to register to vote.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:43 Brad Johnson, The Honorable Secretary of State

00:13:47 Paul Nachman, Citizen, Bozeman

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts14a01)

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts14a02)

00:20:11 Mary Beveridge, Citizen, Helena

00:21:28 Marissa Stockman, Montana Eagle Forum

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts14a03)

00:24:43 Harris Himes, Montana Values Alliance

Opponents' Testimony:

00:25:33 Amanda Arnold, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts14a04)

00:27:43 Kim Abbott, Bitterroot Human Rights Alliance

[EXHIBIT](#)(sts14a05)

00:29:47 Terry Kendrick, Montana Women Vote

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:31:19 Sen. Dave Lewis to Sen. Shockley

00:32:36 Sen. Rick Laible to Ms. Kendrick, Montana Women Vote

00:33:47 Sen. Joe Balyeat to Sen. Shockley

00:38:00 Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella to Sen. Shockley rereferred to Sen. Larry Jent

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:22 Sen. Shockley

General Discussion:

00:40:27 Sen. Cocchiarella to Sen. Squires

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.

SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES, Chairman

LOIS O'CONNOR, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([sts14aad.pdf](#))