

**MINUTES**

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

**COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN GREG LIND**, on March 7, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Greg Lind, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)  
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)  
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)  
Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)  
Sen. Bill Tash (R)  
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)  
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Claudia Johnson, Committee Secretary  
Joe Kolman, 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 94, 3/6/2007; HB 167, 3/6/2007  
Executive Action: HB 167, HB 94

00:00:00 Chairman Lind

**HEARING ON HB 94**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:11 **REP. KENDALL VAN DYK (D), HD 49**, opened the hearing on **HB 94**, Revise underground storage tank penalty factors.

**Proponents:**

00:03:20 John Arrigo, Administrator, Enforcement Division, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), and spoke for Ronna Alexandria, Montana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Stores Association, who is also in support.

**EXHIBIT (nas48a01)**

**Opponents:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:11:47 Sen. Tash to John Arrigo, DEQ

00:16:30 Sen. Perry to Rep. Van Dyk

00:17:14 Sen. Curtiss to John Arrigo, DEQ

00:19:23 Sen. Curtiss to Edward Danke, Bureau Chief, DEQ

00:21:13 Sen. Lind to John Arrigo, DEQ

00:24:26 Sen. Curtiss to John Arrigo, DEQ

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:26:38 Rep. Van Dyk

**HEARING ON HB 167**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:27:51 **REP. BETSY HANDS (D), HD 99**, opened the hearing on **HB 167**, Revise process for adopting solid waste management plan.

**Proponents:**

00:31:37 Art Compton, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

**Opponents:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:32:31 Sen. Gebhardt to Rep. Hands

00:34:51 Sen. Gebhardt to Louise Moore, Bureau Chief of Energy  
and Prevention Bureau, DEQ

00:37:22 Sen. Tash to Louise Moore, DEQ

00:38:15 Sen. Kaufmann to Louise Moore, DEQ

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:39:01 Rep. Hands

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 167**

00:41:04 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. GEBHARDT moved that HB 167 BE  
CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 94**

00:42:06 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. TROPILA moved that HB 94 BE  
CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

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SEN. GREG LIND, Chairman

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CLAUDIA JOHNSON, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([nas48aad.pdf](#))**