

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN GERALD PEASE**, on March 8, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gerald Pease, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Roy Brown (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (D)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Andrew Geiger, Legislative Branch
Lois O'Connor, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 143, 2/24/2007; HB 334,
2/24/2007; HB 428, 2/24/2007
Executive Action: HB 428, HB 334, HB 143, HB 31, HB
428

00:02:11

HEARING ON HB 143

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:09 **REP. MICHELE REINHART (D)**, HD 97, opened the hearing on **HB 143**, Transfer quarterly report requirement for motor vehicle wrecking facility.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:51 Bob Gilbert, Montana Automobile Dismantlers and Recyclers Association

00:05:19 Ed Thamke, Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

00:05:55 Dean Roberts, Motor Vehicle Division, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:06:44 Rep. Reinhart

HEARING ON HB 334

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:07:21 **REP. BILL MCCHESENEY (D)**, HD 40, opened the hearing on **HB 334**, Make build-design highway program permanent.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:39 Jim Currie, Montana Department of Transportation (DOT)

00:16:05 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association

00:18:38 Jay Skoog, American Council of Engineering Companies of Montana

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:19:49 Sen. Jerry Black to Rep. McChesney rereferred to Mr. Currie, DOT

00:20:50 Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella to Mr. Currie, DOT, rereferred to Rep. McChesney

00:23:15 Mr. Currie, DOT

00:23:37 Sen. Frank Smith to Mr. Currie, DOT

00:25:00 Sen. Gerald Pease to Mr. Currie, DOT

Closing by Sponsor:

00:26:59 Rep. McChesney

HEARING ON HB 428

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:53 **REP. DAVE GALLIK (D), HD 79**, opened the hearing on **HB 428**, Revise junk vehicle laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:08 Sheryl Wood, Associate Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:30:16 Bob Gilbert, Montana Automobile Dismantlers and Recyclers Association

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:27 Rep. Gallik

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 428

00:32:30 Motion/Vote: SEN. COCCHIARELLA moved that HB 428 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy. SEN. BRUEGGEMAN will carry.

Please refer to Page 5 for the reconsider of this action.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 334

00:33:06 Motion/Vote: SEN. BROWN moved that HB 334 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy. SEN. SMITH will carry.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 143

00:34:09 Motion/Vote: SEN. COCCHIARELLA moved that HB 143 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy. SEN. BRUEGGEMAN will carry.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 31

00:36:08 Motion: SEN. COCCHIARELLA moved that HB 31 BE CONCURRED IN.

00:36:13 Motion: SEN. COCCHIARELLA moved to amend HB 31 with amendment #HB003101.AAG.

EXHIBIT(his49a01)

Discussion:

00:37:57 Sen. Pease to Sen. Cocchiarella

00:38:15 Sen. Cocchiarella

00:38:47 Sen. Roy Brown to Sen. Cocchiarella

00:40:29 Sen. Jesse Laslovich

00:41:46 Vote: Motion to adopt #HB003101.aag carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy.

00:42:11 Motion/Vote: SEN. LASLOVICH moved that HB 31 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy. SEN. COCCHIARELLA will carry.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 428

00:44:38 Motion/Vote: SEN. BRUEGGEMAN moved to RECONSIDER THE MOTION on HB 428 for the purposes of amendment. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. KITZENBERG voted aye by proxy. No further action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:55 P.M.

SEN. GERALD PEASE, Chairman

LOIS O'CONNOR, Secretary

GP/lo

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([his49aad.pdf](#))