

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN BOB LAKE, on January 21, 2009 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bob Lake, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Art Noonan (D)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. J. David Roundstone (D)
Rep. Jon Sonju (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)
Rep. Brady Wiseman (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch
Jennifer O'Loughlin, 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: HB 261, 1/20/2009; HB 262,
1/20/2009

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 262

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:10 REP. BOB EBINGER (D), HD 62, opened the hearing on HB 262, Revise list of low emission wood combustion devices that qualify for tax credit.

[EXHIBIT](#)(tah14a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:29 Ron Pihl, Warmstone Fireplaces, Livingston

00:09:29 George Hart, Missoula

[EXHIBIT](#)(tah14a02)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:15:39 Shona McHugh, Bureau Chief, Business and Income Taxes Division, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:02 Rep. Butcher

00:16:37 Mr. Pihl

00:17:44 Rep. Butcher

00:17:58 Mr. Pihl

00:18:37 Rep. Vincent entered the room.

00:18:52 Rep. Wiseman

00:19:45 Shona McHugh

00:20:34 Rep. Wiseman

00:20:58 Shona McHugh

00:21:18 Rep. Hoven

00:21:40 Shona McHugh

00:22:26 Chairman Lake

00:22:54 Mr. Pihl

00:23:14 Chairman Lake

00:23:48 Mr. Pihl

00:24:36 Chairman Lake

00:24:44 Mr. Pihl
00:25:15 Rep. Noonan entered the room.
00:25:31 Chairman Lake
00:25:49 Rep. Taylor entered the room.
00:26:01 Mr. Pihl
00:26:28 Chairman Lake
00:26:58 Shona McHugh
00:27:43 Rep. Sonju
00:28:28 Mr. Pihl
00:28:32 Rep. Sonju
00:28:38 Mr. Pihl
00:29:00 Rep. Sonju
00:29:25 Mr. Pihl
00:29:48 Rep. Sonju
00:29:59 Mr. Pihl
00:30:05 Chairman Lake
00:30:43 Rep. Ebinger
00:31:05 Rep. Sonju
00:31:36 Rep. Ebinger
00:31:45 Rep. Miller
00:31:56 Rep. Ebinger
00:32:23 Rep. Butcher
00:33:05 Mr. Pihl
00:33:08 Rep. Butcher
00:33:43 Mr. Pihl
00:33:47 Rep. Butcher
00:33:58 Mr. Pihl
00:34:20 Rep. Butcher
00:35:16 Rep. Ebinger
00:36:35 Rep. Cohenour
00:37:11 Mr. Pihl
00:38:20 Rep. Cohenour
00:38:53 Mr. Pihl
00:39:13 Rep. Barrett
00:39:30 Mr. Pihl
00:39:53 Chairman Lake
00:40:13 Rep McAlpin
00:40:21 George Hart
00:41:23 Chairman Lake
00:41:48 Rep. Miller
00:42:04 Shona McHugh
00:42:39 Mr. Pihl
00:43:17 Chairman Lake

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:39 Rep. Ebinger
EXHIBIT(tah14a03)

00:45:37 Chairman Lake closed the hearing.

00:45:44 Chairman Lake announced that HB 261 was being deferred at the request of the sponsor and that executive action was deferred on HB 113, HB 163 and HB 185.

00:47:48 Rep. Jopek told the committee that the homeowner portion of the reappraisal process would be discussed in the joint reappraisal subcommittee on Friday, Feb. 23.

ADJOURNMENT

00:50:15 Adjournment: 10:00 A.M.

JENNIFER O'LOUGHLIN, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([tah14aad.pdf](#))