

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Bill McChesney, on February 4, 2009 at 10:30 A.M., in Room 317-B Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Bill McChesney, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Rick Laible, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)  
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Walter McNutt (R)  
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Mark Bruno, OBPP  
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Branch  
Mitzi Grover, 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:**

Department of Revenue

Executive Action: DP 10001, DP 20001, DP 70007, DP 70002,  
DP 7021, DP 70003, DP 9000, DP 80001, DP 80002,  
Proprietary Rates 0655

**Department of Revenue**

**Executive Action:**

02:18:50 Rep. Sesso entered  
02:20:15 Sen. Zinke  
02:21:02 Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue  
02:22:04 Sen. Zinke  
02:22:17 Mr. Bucks  
02:24:54 Sen. Zinke  
02:25:00 Mr. Bucks

02:25:35 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 10001** present law base adjustment for the Director's Office **BE ADOPTED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:27:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 20001** present law base adjustment, Information Technology and Processing **BE DEFERRED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:27:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved language to maintain inventories and transfer profits and taxes **BE ADOPTED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. McNutt and Rep. Nooney voted by proxy.

02:28:39 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff to meet demand **BE ADOPTED**.

**Discussion:**

02:29:36 Chairman McChesney  
02:29:43 Sen. Laible  
02:30:11 Mr. DeWitt  
02:31:55 Sen. Laible  
02:32:38 Chairman McChesney

02:33:13 Sen. Laible withdrew his motion on language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff.

02:32:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved language to pay overtime and hire temporary staff to meet demand and the language to pay for termination pay-outs be put in DP format, and included in HB 2. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:34:27 Rep. Sesso

02:34:53 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70007** debt collection for child support cases **BE DEFERRED.**

**Discussion:**

02:35:16 Rep. Sesso

02:35:43 Sen. Laible

02:36:36 Rep. Sesso

02:37:30 Sen. Zinke

02:38:08 Sen. Laible

02:38:23 Sen. Laible withdrew his motion.

02:38:57 Mr. DeWitt

02:40:34 Rep. Sesso

02:41:17 Sen. Laible

02:41:24 Rep. Sesso

02:41:46 Sen. Laible

02:38:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70007** debt collection for child support cases **BE ADOPTED.** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:42:38 **Motion:** Chairman McChesney moved **DP 70002** nonresident and non filer tax compliance **BE ADOPTED.**

02:43:07 Sen. Laible

02:43:52 Mr. Bruno

02:44:17 Sen. Zinke

02:45:29 Chairman McChesney

02:45:58 Sen. Laible

02:46:26 **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:47:09 **Motion:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 7021** abandoned property program workload increase **BE ADOPTED.**

02:47:26 Sen. Laible

02:47:47 Sen. Zinke withdrew his motion.

02:47:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 7021** abandoned property program workload increase **BE DEFERRED.** Motion carried 5-2. Sen. Hansen and Rep. McChesney voted no. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:48:02 Rep. Sesso  
02:49:16 Sen. Zinke  
02:50:16 Chairman McChesney  
02:51:02 Sen. Laible  
02:51:15 Sen. Zinke

02:52:42 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 70003** reduce smoking **BE DEFERRED**. Motion passed 5-2. Sen. Hanson and Chairman McChesney voted no. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted aye by proxy.

02:53:20 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved **DP 9000** partial funding of business equipment tax cut **BE DEFERRED**. Motion passed 6-1. Sen. Hansen voted no. Rep. McNutt and Rep. Nooney voted aye by proxy.

02:54:00 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laible moved proprietary rates for BIT collection services fund 06554 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:54:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Sesso moved **DP 80001** present law base adjustment **BE ADOPTED**. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

02:55:19 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved **DP 80002** improving property appraisal accuracy **BE DEFERRED**.

**Discussion:**

02:56:33 Rep. Sesso  
02:57:49 Sen. Laible  
02:59:24 Rep. Sesso  
02:59:43 Mr. DeWitt  
03:00:54 Rep. Sesso  
03:01:48 Sen. Laible  
03:02:52 **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Nooney and Rep. McNutt voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

03:03:33 Adjournment: 11:45 A.M.

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Mitzi Grover, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT ([jgh26bad.pdf](#))**