

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chairwoman Elsie Arntzen, on February 11, 2009 at 12:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Elsie Arntzen, Chairwoman (R)
Rep. Betsy Hands, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Gary MacLaren, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Gerald Bennett (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Katie Butcher, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: None
Executive Action: HB 272, HB 256, HB 336, HB 324
HB 321

00:00:01 Call to order
00:00:57 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 272

00:01:54 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 272 DO PASS.**

00:02:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 272 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 15-0 by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(loh32a01)

00:03:15 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 272 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:03:28 Rep. Ingraham
00:04:40 Rep. More
00:05:28 Rep. Reinhart
(Rep. Grinde arrived)
00:06:52 Rep. Vance
00:07:19 Rep. Menahan
00:07:59 Rep. MacLaren
00:08:38 Chairwoman Arntzen
00:08:47 Mr. Kolman

00:09:22 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Arntzen, Rep. Becker, Rep. Driscoll, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Menahan, Rep. More, Rep. Reinhart, and Rep. Sands voting aye. Rep. Stahl and Rep. Berry voted by proxy.

00:10:48 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Becker moved that **HB 272 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried 16-0 by voice vote.

00:11:17 Mr. Kolman

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 256

00:11:53 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 256 DO PASS.**

00:12:00 **Motion:** Rep. Reichner moved that **HB 256 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(loh32a02)

Discussion:

00:13:29 Mr. Kolman

00:15:28 Rep. Vance
 00:15:51 Mr. Kolman
 00:16:10 Rep. Hands
 00:16:45 Rep. Reichner
 00:16:57 Mr. Kolman
 00:17:12 Rep. Hands
 00:17:33 Mr. Kolman
 00:18:07 Rep. Becker
 00:18:19 Mr. Kolman
 00:18:45 Rep. Reichner

00:20:09 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Stahl and Rep. Berry voted by proxy.

00:20:31 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 256 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:20:43 Rep. More
 00:22:26 Rep. Bennett

00:24:40 **Vote:** Motion failed unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Stahl and Rep. Berry voted by proxy.

00:24:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 256 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried 16-0 by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 321

00:25:13 **Motion:** Rep. Hands moved that **HB 321 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:25:29 Mr. Kolman
 00:27:14 Chairwoman Arntzen
 00:27:59 Rep. Hands
 00:29:09 Rep. Ingraham
 00:31:25 Rep. Reinhart
 00:34:02 Rep. More
 00:35:22 Rep. Reichner
 00:36:36 Rep. Hamilton

00:37:28 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Arntzen, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Ingraham, Rep. More, Rep. Reichner, and Rep. Vance voting no. Rep. Berry and Rep. Stahl voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 336

00:39:39 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 336 DO PASS.**

00:39:54 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. More moved that **HB 336 BE AMENDED.**
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Berry
and Rep. Stahl voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(loh32a03)

00:41:30 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 336 DO PASS AS
AMENDED.**

00:41:39 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Vance made a substitute
motion that **HB 336 BE TABLED.** Substitute motion carried
16-2 by voice vote with Rep. Becker and Rep. Hamilton
voting no. Rep. Berry and Rep. Stahl voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 324

00:43:55 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 324 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:44:44 Mr. Kolman

00:45:43 **Motion:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 324 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(loh32a04)

Discussion:

00:45:55 Rep. Hands

00:46:28 Mr. Kolman

00:46:47 Rep. Hands

00:46:54 Rep. Bennett

00:47:32 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep.
Stahl, Rep. Berry and Rep. Reinhart voted by proxy.

00:47:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. MacLaren moved that **HB 324 DO PASS
AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Rep. Stahl, Rep. Berry and Rep. Reinhart voted by
proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

00:48:27 Adjournment

Katie Butcher, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([loh32aad.pdf](#))