

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chairwoman Elsie Arntzen, on February 18, 2009 at
12:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Elsie Arntzen, Chairwoman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Gerald Bennett (R)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Betsy Hands, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Gary MacLaren, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Katie Butcher, 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: None
Executive Action: HB 420, HB 505, HB 523

00:00:01 Call to order

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 420

00:02:46 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 420 DO PASS.**

00:02:51 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 420 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(loh38a01)

Discussion:

(Rep. Stahl, Rep. Sands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. Grinde arrived.)

00:04:39 Rep. Ingraham

00:04:51 Rep. Reinhart

00:05:32 Matt Elsaesser, Helena City Commissioner

00:06:30 Rep. Sands

00:06:52 Rep. Reinhart

00:07:30 Rep. Stahl

00:08:32 Rep. Reinhart

00:09:00 Dustin Stewart, Montana Building Industry Association

00:10:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

00:10:58 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 420 DO PASS AS**
AMENDED.

Discussion:

00:11:13 Rep. Reichner

00:11:31 Rep. Stahl

00:11:40 Rep. Reinhart

00:12:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 505

00:13:10 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 505 DO PASS.**
Motion failed 9-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Becker,
Rep. Driscoll, Rep. Ebinger, Rep. Grinde, Rep.
Hamilton, Rep. Hands, Rep. Menahan, Rep. Reinhart, and
Rep. Sands voting aye. Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted
by proxy.

00:15:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 505 BE TABLED.**
Motion carried 17-1 by voice vote with Rep. Hands
voting no. Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

00:15:51 Rep. Stahl
00:17:38 Rep. Reinhart

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 523

00:18:11 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 523 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:19:10 Rep. Stahl
00:21:26 Rep. Menahan
00:22:21 Rep. Stahl

00:22:33 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 523 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(loh38a02)

Discussion:

00:25:06 Rep. Reichner
00:25:32 Rep. Reinhart
00:26:03 Mark Baker; Anderson, Baker and Swanson; Plum Creek
Timber Industry; Helena, Montana
00:26:50 Rep. Reichner
00:26:57 Rep. Reinhart
00:28:21 Rep. Stahl
00:29:25 Rep. Reinhart

00:29:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

00:29:48 **Motion:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 523 DO PASS AS
AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:31:04 Mr. Kolman

00:31:40 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-14 by roll call vote with Rep.
Hands, Rep. Menahan, Rep. Reinhart, and Rep. Sands
voting aye. Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

00:32:29 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Reinhart moved that **HB 523 BE TABLED
AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried unanimously by
voice vote. Rep. Hands and Rep. More voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

00:33:13 Adjournment

Katie Butcher, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([loh38aad.pdf](#))