

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chairwoman Elsie Arntzen, on March 19, 2009 at
3:00 P.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Elsie Arntzen, Chairwoman (R)
Rep. Betsy Hands, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Gerald Bennett (R)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Rep. Gary MacLaren, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

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: Housing Summit

Executive Action: None

00:00:00 Call to order

Housing Summit

00:00:04 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:03:34 Bruce Brensdal, Executive Director, Montana Board of
Housing; Administrator, Housing Division, Department of
Commerce

EXHIBIT (loh61a01)

00:05:58 Nancy Leifer, Home Ownership Manager, Department of
Commerce

00:10:48 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:10:51 Ms. Leifer

00:22:10 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:22:34 Rep. Driscoll

00:22:45 Ms. Leifer

00:22:58 Rep. Reinhart

00:23:06 Ms. Leifer

00:23:14 Rep. Reinhart

00:23:26 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:23:55 Patrick Barkey, Director, University of Montana's
Bureau of Business and Economic Research; Montana
Association of Realtors

EXHIBIT (loh61a02)

00:39:41 Rep. Hands

00:41:36 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:41:44 Mr. Barkey

00:42:22 Rep. Hands

00:42:54 Mr. Barkey

00:43:41 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:43:51 Mr. Barkey

00:44:29 Rep. Berry

00:44:46 Mr. Barkey

00:45:16 Rep. Reinhart

00:45:46 Mr. Barkey

00:46:28 Rep. Reinhart

00:46:49 Mr. Barkey

00:47:09 Rep. Hands

00:48:21 Mr. Barkey

00:48:51 Rep. Ingraham

00:49:19 Mr. Barkey

00:49:44 Rep. Reinhart

00:50:24 Dustin Frost, State Director, Congressman Denny Rehberg

EXHIBIT (loh61a03)

00:52:47 Chairwoman Arntzen

00:53:12 Mr. Frost

00:54:11 Steve Turkiewicz, Montana Banking Association

00:57:41 Rep. Berry

00:57:54 Mr. Turkiewicz

00:58:20 Rep. Ingraham
00:58:49 Mr. Turkiewicz
00:59:07 Michael O'Neil, Montana Home Choice Coalition, AWARE

EXHIBIT(loh61a04)

01:12:34 Rep. Sands
01:13:34 Mr. O'Neil
01:15:39 Rep. Sands
01:15:48 Mr. O'Neil
01:16:20 Rep. Sands
01:16:35 Chairwoman Arntzen
01:17:05 Scott Rickard, Director, Center for Applied Economic
Research
01:22:54 Rep. Hands
01:23:17 Mr. Rickard
01:24:13 Andrea Davis, HomeWORD, Missoula, Montana

EXHIBIT(loh61a05)

01:32:41 Dustin Stewart, Montana Building Industry Association

EXHIBIT(loh61a06)

01:45:17 Rep. Ingraham
01:45:52 Mr. Stewart
01:47:30 Rep. Reinhart
01:47:44 Mr. Stewart
01:48:40 Susan Jensen, Neighborworks Montana
01:49:05 Matthew Rude, Rocky Mountain Development Council
01:49:34 Bonnie Alviston
02:00:18 Betty Christianson
02:09:14 Stuart Doggett, Manufactured Housing Association

EXHIBIT(loh61a07)

02:13:09 Rep. Berry
02:13:35 Mr. Doggett
02:14:22 Rep. Hands
02:14:42 Mr. Doggett
02:15:38 Rep. Becker
02:16:03 Mr. Doggett
02:16:57 Twyla Best, Billings Association of Realtors

EXHIBIT(loh61a08)

02:18:42 David Mumford, Public Works Director, City of Billings
02:22:56 Rick Leuthold, Sanderson Stewart
02:34:00 Rep. Hands
02:35:08 Mr. Leuthold
02:36:29 Rep. Berry
02:36:48 Mr. Leuthold
02:39:11 Rep. Hands
02:40:25 Chairwoman Arntzen
02:40:34 Scott Sanders, First Interstate Bank
02:42:23 Rep. Hands
02:42:39 Mr. Sanders
02:43:24 Rep. Hands

02:44:00 Jennifer Smith, Yellowstone County Manager, American
Title and Escrow
02:52:52 Jennifer Erickson, Gallatin Association of Realtors,
Metlife Home Loans
03:00:52 Chairwoman Arntzen
03:00:57 Ms. Erickson
03:01:05 Rep. Becker
03:01:10 Ms. Erickson
03:01:58 Chantelle Mahan, Gallatin Association of Realtors,
Prudential Real Estate

EXHIBIT(loh61a09)

03:04:49 Chairwoman Arntzen
03:05:01 Ms. Mahan
03:05:15 Chairwoman Arntzen
03:05:32 Ms. Mahan
03:06:10 Ronald Elliot, Land West Real Estate, Gallatin
Association of Realtors, Broadwater Planning Board

EXHIBIT(loh61a10)

03:07:40 Clayton Fiscus, Billings, Montana

EXHIBIT(loh61a11)

03:11:42 Kathleen Schulte, Northwest Montana Association of
Realtors

EXHIBIT(loh61a12)

03:23:11 Rep. Becker
03:23:15 Ms. Schulte
03:24:06 Susan Jensen, Neighborworks Montana

EXHIBIT(loh61a13)

03:31:31 Rep. Berry
03:31:36 Ms. Jensen
03:32:30 Chairwoman Arntzen
03:32:37 Rep. Becker
03:32:44 Chairwoman Arntzen

ADJOURNMENT

03:33:34 Adjournment

Katie Butcher, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT([loh61a14](#)) HB 640 and HB 569 were handed in as examples of housing bills from the 2009 session.

Note: Dr. Scott Rickard, Director of the Center for Applied Economic Research, presented a PowerPoint but did not provide a copy during the meeting. The secretary attempted to include a copy with the minutes by contacting his office but did not receive a copy.

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh61aad.pdf](#))