

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chairman Dennis Himmelberger, on April 8, 2009 at 10:31 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis Himmelberger, Chairman (R)
Rep. Sue Dickenson, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Russell Bean (R)
Rep. Joel Boniek (R)
Rep. Frosty Boss Ribs (D)
Rep. Dee Brown (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Sue Malek (D)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Absent: Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Marshall McEwen, 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: None

Executive Action: SB 495

00:01:08 Rep. Belcourt and Rep. MacLaren joined the committee.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 495

00:01:27 **Motion:** Rep. Bean moved that **SB 495 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:01:35 Chairman Himmelberger

00:01:53 Rep. Brown

00:02:01 Chairman Himmelberger

00:02:11 Rep. Wilmer

00:03:34 Rep. Brown

00:04:05 Rep. Dickenson

00:05:31 Chairman Himmelberger

00:07:11 Rep. Brown

00:07:45 Chairman Himmelberger

00:07:52 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Bean, Rep. Boniek, Rep. Brown, Rep. Hendrick, Rep. Himmelberger, Rep. MacLaren, Rep. O'Hara, and Rep. Washburn voting aye. Rep. Hands, Rep. Phillips, and Rep. Van Dyk voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

00:09:02 Chairman Himmelberger

00:09:14 Rep. Hands joined the committee.

00:09:52 Rep. Belcourt

00:10:02 Chairman Himmelberger

00:10:25 Rep. Brown

00:10:58 Chairman Himmelberger

Discussion on Redesigning Absentee Ballots:

00:11:31 Linda McCulloch, Montana Secretary of State

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00:14:59 Chairman Himmelberger

00:15:11 Rep. Brown

00:15:53 Ms. McCulloch

00:16:00 Rep. Brown

00:16:04 Ms. McCulloch

00:16:07 Rep. Brown

00:16:19 Ms. McCulloch

00:16:41 Ms. Heffelfinger, Legislative Services Division, exited the committee.

00:16:55 Rep. Brown

00:18:27 Rep. Wilmer

00:19:12 Ms. McCulloch

00:19:25 Rep. Wilmer
00:19:46 Chairman Himmelberger
00:19:49 Rep. Hands
00:21:06 Ms. McCulloch
00:21:22 Rep. Hands
00:21:29 Rep. Washburn
00:22:18 Ms. McCulloch
00:22:28 Rep. Ingraham
00:23:14 Ms. McCulloch
00:23:22 Rep. Brown
00:24:21 Rep. Ingraham
00:25:00 Ms. McCulloch
00:25:30 Rep. Boniek
00:26:23 Ms. McCulloch
00:26:34 Chairman Himmelberger
00:26:41 Rep. Hendrick
00:27:49 Chairman Himmelberger
00:28:13 Ms. McCulloch
00:28:39 Rep. Dickenson
00:30:25 Chairman Himmelberger
00:30:35 Rep. Dickenson
00:30:52 Rep. Brown
00:30:55 Chairman Himmelberger

ADJOURNMENT

00:31:29 Adjournment: 11:02 A.M.

Marshall McEwen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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