

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN JIM SHOCKLEY, on January 14, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Carolyn Squires (D)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. John Brueggeman, Vice Chairman (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Libby Goodwin, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 123, 1/6/2009; SB 124, 1/6/2009
Executive Action: SB 99

DISCUSSION ON SB 99

00:01:56 Chairman Shockley
EXHIBIT(sts08a01)

00:02:38 Sen. Bales
00:03:49 Chairman Shockley
00:04:11 Sen. J. Tropila
00:05:00 Sen. Cooney
00:04:00 Chairman Shockley
00:05:59 Sen. Balyeat

HEARING ON SB 123

00:06:52 **Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D),**
SD 48, opened the hearing on **SB 123,** Revise MAPA
regarding amendment of rationale.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:12:03 None.

Opponents' Testimony:

00:12:10 Ann Brodsky, Legal Counsel, Governor's Office

Informational Testimony:

00:19:51 Mark Cadwallader, Department of Labor and Industry

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:20:20 Sen. Cooney
00:21:08 Sen. Squires
00:23:21 Sen. Bales
00:23:43 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
00:26:30 Sen. Bales
00:26:49 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
00:28:06 Chairman Shockley
00:28:15 Mark Callwallader, DLI
00:28:45 Sen. Bales
00:29:09 Mark Callwallader, DLI
00:30:33 Sen. Bales
00:31:08 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
00:33:12 Sen. Cooney
00:34:06 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office

EXHIBIT(sts08a02)

00:35:02 Sen. Cooney
00:36:01 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
00:36:31 Sen. Cooney

00:36:40 Chairman Shockley
 00:37:13 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:37:39 Chairman Shockley
 00:37:49 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:38:00 Chairman Shockley
 00:38:10 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:38:17 Chairman Shockley
 00:38:52 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:40:50 Chairman Shockley
 00:41:44 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 00:42:02 Chairman Shockley
 00:43:00 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 00:43:37 Chairman Shockley
 00:44:06 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 00:46:22 Chairman Shockley
 00:47:30 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 00:47:43 Chairman Shockley
 00:47:46 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:48:02 Chairman Shockley
 00:48:11 Sen. Bales
 00:49:14 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:50:27 Sen. Bales
 00:51:19 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:51:34 Chairman Shockley
 00:52:03 Ann Brodsky, Governor's Office
 00:53:19 Chairman Shockley
 00:53:45 Sen. Cooney
 00:55:47 Chairman Shockley
 00:55:52 Sen. Balyeat
 00:56:31 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 00:58:51 Sen. Bales
 00:59:38 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 01:00:50 Sen. Bales
 01:01:16 Chairman Shockley
 01:01:22 Mark Cadwallader, DLI
 01:02:15 Chairman Shockley

Closing by Sponsor:

01:02:43__Sen. Squires

HEARING ON SB 124

01:06:38 **Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D),**
SD 48, opened the hearing on **SB 124,** Revise absentee
 ballot laws and changes caused by death of candidate.

EXHIBIT(sts08a03)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:08:23 Vicky Zeier, Missoula County Clerk and Recorder,
Treasurer

01:10:05 Lisa Kimmet, Secretary of State's Office

01:12:02 Sarah Cobler, Montana Conservation Voters

Opponents' Testimony:

01:12:29 None.

Informational Testimony:

01:12:33 None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:37 Sen. Balyeat

01:14:00 Vicky Zeier, Missoula County

01:14:46 Sen. Cooney

01:17:36 Sen. Balyeat

Closing by Sponsor:

01:19:06 Sen. Squires

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 124

01:21:00 **Motion:** SEN. SQUIRES moved that **SB 124 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:21:09 Sen. Cooney

01:21:46 Sen. Squires

01:22:23 Sen. Bales

01:22:54 Sen. Cooney

01:23:40 Sen. Bales

01:23:59 Sen. Balyeat

01:25:39 Dave Bohyer

01:26:54 Sen. Cooney

01:27:26 Dave Bohyer

01:28:44 Sen. Bales

01:29:24 Sen. Cooney

01:30:01 Chairman Shockley

01:30:15 Sen. Balyeat

01:31:18 Sen. Squires

01:32:18 Chairman Shockley

01:32:28 Sen. Squires

01:32:42 Sen. Shockley

01:33:15 Without objection Sen. Squires withdrew the Do Pass
motion

01:33:53 Chairman Shockley

01:33:58 Sen. Squires

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 99

Discussion:

01:34:39 Chairman Shockley

01:35:35 Sen. Balyeat

EXHIBIT(sts08a04)

01:36:16 **Motion:** SEN. BALYEAT moved that **SB 99 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED.** (15 days to 10 days)

01:36:24 Sen. Windy Boy

01:37:03 Sen. Balyeat

01:38:45 **Substitute Motion:** SEN. SHOCKLEY moved that **SB 99 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED.** (10 days to 7 days)

01:38:15 **Vote:** **SUBSTITUTE MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Brueggeman voted by proxy.

01:38:53 Sen. Bales

01:39:58 Sen. Balyeat

01:40:10 Sen. Bales

01:40:24 Dave Bohyer

EXHIBIT(sts08a05)

01:41:14 Chairman Shockley

01:41:21 Sen. Squires

01:41:31 Dave Bohyer

01:42:08 Chairman Shockley

01:42:14 Sen. Balyeat

01:43:01 Chairman Shockley

01:43:12 Sen. J. Tropila

01:43:21 Chairman Shockley

01:44:07 Sen. Bales

01:45:07 Sen. Shockley

01:45:30 Sen. Bales

01:45:57 Chairman Shockley

01:46:25 Sen. Bales

01:46:58 Chairman Shockley

01:47:10 Sen. Bales

01:47:17 Chairman Shockley

01:47:35 Sen. Cooney

01:47:59 Chairman Shockley

01:48:09 Sen. Bales

01:48:16 Sen. Balyeat

01:49:22 Sen. Brenden

01:50:03 Chairman Shockley

01:50:13 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. WINDY BOY moved that **SB 99 DO PASS AS AMENDED. MOTION FAILED** 5-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Shockley, Sen. Black, Sen. Windy Boy, and Sen. J. Tropila voting aye. Sen. Brueggeman voted aye by proxy.

01:52:45 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. SQUIRES moved that **SB 99 BE TABLED. MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brueggeman voted by proxy.

DISCUSSION ON SB 30

01:53:34 Dave Bohyer

EXHIBIT(sts08a06)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:55 P.M.

LIBBY GOODWIN, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([sts08aad.pdf](#))