

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: CHAIRMAN KEITH BALES, on January 15, 2009 at 5:00 P.M., in Room 317-A Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Keith Bales, Chairman (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, 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 & Date Posted: SB 65, 1/9/2009

Executive Action: None.

00:00:11 Sen. Bales

HEARING ON SB 65

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:44 **SEN. BOB HAWKS (D), SD 33**, opened the hearing on **SB 65**,
Revise trust land funding laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:44 Tom Schultz, Department of Natural Resources and
Conservation (DNRC)

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00:14:10 Sen. Williams now present.

00:21:55 Sen. Bales

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Informational Testimony:

00:22:13 Cathy Swift, University System

00:23:08 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division

00:26:01 Sen. Bales

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:12 Sen. Zinke

00:26:41 Mr. Schultz

00:28:59 Sen. Ripley

00:29:03 Mr. Schultz

00:31:22 Sen. Ripley

00:31:32 Mr. Schultz

00:32:17 Sen. Bales

00:32:20 Sen. Cooney

00:32:55 Mr. Schultz

00:33:02 Sen. Cooney

00:33:10 Ms. Stockwell

00:33:45 Sen. Cooney

00:33:53 Sen. Laible

00:35:44 Mr. Schultz

00:38:53 Sen. Bales

00:38:57 Sen. Barrett

00:39:44 Mr. Schultz

00:41:18 Sen. Bales

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:39 Sen. Hawks

00:44:26 Sen. Bales

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:58 P.M.

PRUDENCE GILDROY, Secretary

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