

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: CHAIRMAN JOHN BRUEGGEMAN, on January 15, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brueggeman, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. David Wanzenreid (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Libby Goodwin, Committee Secretary
Tammy McGill, 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 152, 1/8/2009; SB 168, 1/12/2009
Executive Action:

HEARING ON SB 168

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:50 **SEN. RYAN ZINKE (R), SD 2**, opened the hearing on **SB 168**,
Revise highway and transportation laws.
[EXHIBIT\(his09a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:55 John Wilson, Whitefish Public Works Director

Opponents' Testimony:

00:07:58 None.

Informational Testimony:

00:08:08 Jim Lynch, Director, Montana Department of
Transportation (DOT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:13:29 Sen. Keane
00:13:34 Jim Lynch, DOT
00:15:39 Sen. Keane
00:15:55 Jim Lynch, DOT
00:16:23 Sen. Hinkle
00:17:05 Jim Lynch, DOT
00:17:59 Chairman Brueggeman
00:18:22 Jim Lynch, DOT

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:50 Sen. Zinke

HEARING ON SB 152

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:21:19 **SEN. JOHN BRUEGGEMAN (R), SD 6**, opened the hearing on **SB 152**,
Revise motor vehicle registration and driver's
license laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:22:05 Brenda Nordlund, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of
Transportation (DOT)
[EXHIBIT\(his09a02\)](#)

00:31:48 Bruce Spencer, Montana Automobile Dealers Association
00:32:34 Jane Hamman, AAA Montana, Montana Traffic Education
Association
00:33:20 Ronda Wiggers, County Treasurer's Association
00:34:07 Clyde Daly, Montana Credit Union Network

Opponents' Testimony:

00:34:40 None.

Informational Testimony:

00:34:44 None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:48 Sen. Keane
00:34:56 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:35:17 Sen. Keane
00:35:57 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:36:05 Sen. Keane
00:36:10 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:36:44 Sen. Keane
00:37:05 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:37:47 Sen. Keane
00:37:54 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:38:19 Sen. Keane
00:39:04 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:41:12 Sen. Keane
00:41:32 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:42:12 Vice-Chairman Laslovich
00:43:40 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:46:30 Vice-Chairman Laslovich
00:47:27 Brenda Nordlund, DOT
00:49:03 Vice-Chairman Laslovich
00:49:42 Sen. Laible
00:50:47 Brenda Nordlund, DOT

Closing by Sponsor:

00:52:09 Sen. Brueggeman

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.

LIBBY GOODWIN, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([his09aad.pdf](#))