

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN RICK LAIBLE, on January 16, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Rick Laible, Chairman (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Bob Hawks (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Nadine Spencer, 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: SJ 9, 1/6/2009

Executive Action: SB 165; SJ 2; SB 41; SB 67

HEARING ON SJ 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:26 SEN. DAVID WANZENRIED (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SJ 9, Study student loan system.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:35 Mick Robinson, Montana University System

[EXHIBIT](#)(eds10a01)

00:13:00 Chairman Laible left the hearing

00:13:49 Jim Stipcich, Student Assistance Foundation (SAF)

00:20:53 Michaela Wolfinger, University of Montana student

00:21:51 David Ewer, Budget Director, Governor's Office

00:23:49 Chairman Laible returned to the hearing

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:33:00 Sen. Zinke

00:33:21 Sen. Wanzenried

00:34:01 Sen. Brown

00:34:36 Sen. Wanzenried

00:35:32 Sen. Brown

00:36:15 Sen. Wanzenried

00:37:24 Sen. McGee

00:37:43 Jim Stipcich

00:38:21 Sen. McGee

00:38:40 Jim Stipcich

00:39:09 Sen. McGee

00:39:35 Sen. Wanzenried

00:40:59 Sen. McGee

00:42:06 Sen. Wanzenried

00:43:53 Sen. McGee

00:44:06 Sen. Wanzenried

00:44:39 Sen. McGee

00:44:45 Sen. Brown

00:44:55 Ms. Wolfinger

00:45:03 Sen. Brown

00:45:25 Ms. Wolfinger

00:45:48 Sen. Brown

00:46:16 Ms. Wolfinger

00:46:47 Sen. Zinke

00:47:09 David Ewer
00:48:09 Sen. Zinke
00:48:38 David Ewer
00:50:53 Sen. Hawks entered the hearing
00:51:53 Sen. Zinke
00:52:09 David Ewer
00:52:18 Sen. McGee
00:52:35 David Ewer
00:52:48 Sen. McGee
00:53:10 Mick Robinson
00:53:55 Sen. McGee
00:54:16 Jim Stipcich

Closing by Sponsor:

00:55:12 Sen. Wanzenried

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 165

01:02:55 **Motion:** SEN. RIPLEY moved that **SB 165 DO PASS.**
01:03:05 **Motion:** SEN. RIPLEY moved that **SB 165 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT (eds10a02)

Discussion:

01:03:37 Casey Barrs, LSD
01:04:25 Chairman Laible
01:04:31 Sen. McGee
01:04:50 Casey Barrs, LSD
01:04:53 Chairman Laible
01:05:19 Sen. McGee
01:05:41 Chairman Laible
01:06:00 Sen McGee
01:06:16 Sen. Ripley
01:06:24 Casey Barr, LSD
01:06:57 Sen. McGee
01:07:21 Sen. Ripley

01:07:30 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote.

01:07:57 **Motion:** SEN. RIPLEY moved that **SB 165 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:08:05 Sen. Branae

01:08:20 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 2

Discussion:

01:09:23 Sen. Hawks
01:09:58 Chairman Laible
01:10:05 Sen. Brown
01:10:27 Chairman Laible

01:11:19 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. BROWN moved that **SJ 2 DO PASS.**
MOTION CARRIED unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 41

01:12:26 **Motion:** SEN. ZINKE moved that **SB 41 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:12:39 Sen. Brown
01:12:58 Chairman Laible
01:13:21 Sen. Hawks
01:13:56 Chairman Laible
01:14:01 Sen. McGee
01:15:01 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
01:16:45 Sen. Hawks

01:17:28 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 67

01:17:53 **Motion:** SEN. LAIBLE moved that **SB 67 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:19:31 Casey Barrs, LSD
01:20:32 Chairman Laible
01:21:18 Sen. Ripley
01:21:45 Chairman Laible
01:23:11 Sen. Ripley
01:23:32 Chairman Laible
01:23:53 Sen. McGee
01:24:22 Sen. Branae
01:24:54 Sen. Zinke
01:26:21 Sen. Peregoy
01:30:45 Sen. Hawks
01:31:02 Chairman Laible

01:31:19 Sen. Hawks-
01:33:34 Sen. McGee
01:35:47 Sen. Hamlett
01:36:19 Sen. Ripley
01:37:12 Chairman Laible
01:38:41 Sen. Zinke

01:39:03 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** 5-4 by roll call vote with Sens.
Branee, Hamlett, Hawks and Stewart-Peregoy voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 4

01:41:12 **Motion:** SEN. LAIBLE moved that **SJ 4 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:41:58 Sen. Hawks
01:43:07 Chairman Laible
01:44:43 Sen. Hawks
01:45:32 Chairman Laible
01:48:02 Sen. Zinke
01:50:10 Sen. Ripley
01:50:38 Chairman Laible
01:51:19 Sen. Ripley
01:52:06 Chairman Laible
01:52:49 Sen. McGee

01:53:01 **Motion:** Chairman Laible **WITHDREW MOTION TO DO PASS SR
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01:53:11 Sen. Ripley
01:53:31 Chairman Laible
01:54:00 Sen. McGee
01:54:07 Chairman Laible
01:54:56 Sen. Hawks

EXHIBIT(eds10a03)

Additional Exhibit

EXHIBIT(eds10a04)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:56 P.M.

NADINE SPENCER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([eds10aad.pdf](#))