

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: CHAIRMAN DONALD J. STEINBEISSER, on January 27, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser, Chairman (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Terry Murphy, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joan Linkenbach, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, 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: No hearing, informal informational meeting followed by Executive Action

Executive Action: SB 38, SB 167, SB 204

00:01:05 Sen. Steinbeisser
00:01:19 Dr. Jeff Jacobson, Dean, College of Agriculture and
Director, Montana Agricultural Experiment Station
Montana State University (MSU)

EXHIBIT (ags19a01)

00:24:33 Sen. Brown
00:25:11 Dr. Jacobson, MSU
00:26:54 Chairman Steinbeisser
00:27:07 Dr. Jacobson
00:28:19 Sen. Hansen
00:29:35 Dr. Jacobson
00:32:11 Sen. Hansen
00:32:42 Dr. Jacobson
00:34:37 Sen. Hansen
00:34:50 Dr. Jacobson
00:35:10 Sen. Ripley
00:35:36 Dr. Jacobson
00:37:09 Sen. Ripley
00:37:39 Dr. Jacobson
00:38:58 Sen. Ripley
00:39:45 Sen. Jackson
00:40:30 Dr. Jacobson
00:40:57 Sen. Jackson
00:41:16 Dr. Jacobson
00:42:06 Sen. Jackson
00:42:17 Dr. Jacobson
00:44:04 Chairman Steinbeisser
00:44:17 Ron de Yong, Director, Montana Department of
Agriculture (AGR)

EXHIBIT (ags19a02)

01:02:59 Sen. Brown
01:03:23 Director de Yong, AGR
01:08:54 Sen. Murphy
01:09:15 Director de Yong
01:09:50 Sen Ripley
01:10:12 Director de Yong
01:16:40 Sen. Hansen
01:17:27 Director de Yong
01:20:49 Chairman Steinbeisser

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 38

01:22:14 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SB 38 DO PASS.**

EXHIBIT (ags19a03)

01:23:16 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SB 38 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT (ags19a04)

01:25:44 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

01:25:59 Sen. Jackson

Discussion:

01:28:30 Sen. Hansen

01:28:58 Director de Yong, AGR

01:31:20 Greg Ames, Administrator, AGR

01:37:11 Sen. Larsen

01:38:22 Sen. Ripley

01:38:47 Sen. Jackson

01:39:39 Sen. Ripley

01:40:08 Sen. Jackson

01:40:25 Sen. Brown

01:40:44 Sen. Jackson

01:41:34 Sen. Brown

01:41:43 Sen. Jackson

01:41:48 Sue O'Connell, LSD

01:42:13 Sen. Brown

01:42:34 Sen. Jackson

01:43:27 Mr. Ames

01:44:31 Sen. Jackson

01:44:52 Sen. Murphy

01:45:27 Sen. Ripley

01:45:40 Sen. Jackson

01:46:32 Sen. Brown

01:46:56 Sen. Jackson

01:47:44 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Brown, Sen. Jackson, Sen. Ripley, and Sen. Steinbeisser voting aye.

Discussion:

01:49:19 Sen. Hamlett

01:50:12 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hansen moved that **SB 38 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 6-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Jackson, Sen. Ripley, and Sen. Steinbeisser voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 167

Executive Action previously held on January 20, 2009, amended the bill.

01:52:34 Chairman Steinbeisser

01:52:55 Sue O'Connell, LSD

01:53:23 **Motion:** Sen. Steinbeisser moved that **SB 117 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:53:40 Sen. Brown

01:54:50 Sue O'Connell, LSD

01:56:26 Sen. Brown

01:56:32 Sue O'Connell

01:56:44 Sen. Brown

01:56:51 Sue O'Connell

01:57:09 Sen. Hansen

01:57:46 Sen. Larsen

01:58:58 Sue O'Connell

01:59:19 Sen. Larsen

01:59:24 Sue O'Connell

01:59:34 Sen. Hamlett

02:00:05 Chairman Steinbeisser

02:00:16 Sen. Jackson

02:01:28 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Branae moved that **SB 167 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 7-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Jackson and Sen. Larsen voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 204

02:02:50 Chairman Steinbeisser

02:03:36 **Motion:** Sen. Hansen moved that **SB 204 DO PASS.**

02:03:50 **Motion:** Sen. Steinbeisser moved that **SB 204 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT (ags19a05)

Discussion:

02:04:00 Sue O'Connell, LSD

02:05:32 Sen. Hansen

02:05:36 Sue O'Connell

02:06:20 Sen. Brown

02:06:31 Sue O'Connell

02:06:57 Sen. Brown

02:07:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Further executive action on SB 204 was suspended pending completion of a revised fiscal note.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:15 P.M.

JOAN LINKENBACH, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([ags19aad.pdf](#))