

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chairman Jeff Essmann, on January 30, 2009 at
8:00 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jeff Essmann, Chairman (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Ron Erickson (D)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Lee Heiman, Legislative Branch
Debra Polhemus, 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: SB 260, 1/21/2009

Executive Action: None

00:01:00 Chairman Essmann

EXHIBIT(tas22a01)

Relating to SB 280 heard in committee on January 28, 2009.

HEARING ON SB 260

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:27 Sen. Kim Gillan (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 260, Revise tax on publicly traded partnerships.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:05 Lindsay Sander, National Association of Publicly Traded Partnerships (NAPTP)

EXHIBIT(tas22a02)

EXHIBIT(tas22a03)

00:14:08 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association

Opponents' Testimony:

EXHIBIT(tas22a04)

Written testimony provided by David Ewer, Budget Director, Budget and Program Planning, Office of the Governor

00:14:50 Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue (DOR)

EXHIBIT(tas22a05)

EXHIBIT(tas22a06)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:53 Sen. Erickson
00:35:27 Dan Bucks, DOR
00:38:57 Sen. Story
00:39:27 Lindsay Sander, NAPTP
00:43:21 Sen. Tutvedt
00:43:41 Lindsay Sander
00:46:45 Sen. Story
00:47:00 Lindsay Sander
00:49:55 Chairman Essmann
00:51:19 Sen. Story
00:51:41 Lindsay Sander
00:53:49 Sen. Erickson
00:55:07 Sen. Story
00:55:39 Chairman Essmann

Closing by Sponsor:

00:56:13 Sen. Gillan

CONTINUATION OF HEARING ON SB 260

Due to a previously-scheduled Tax Reappraisal Committee Meeting, the sponsor Sen. Gillan was granted the privilege of closing on SB 260 to attend the meeting. Also leaving at this time to attend the meeting are Sens. Gebhardt, Tutvedt, and Kaufmann. The remaining Tax Committee members were allowed to continue with questioning those who had provided testimony.

01:02:32 Chairman Essmann
01:02:59 Dan Bucks
01:07:41 Chairman Essmann
01:07:49 Dan Bucks
01:09:05 Chairman Essmann
01:09:34 Sen. Story
01:09:47 Lindsay Sander
01:11:51 Sen. Story
01:11:59 Lindsay Sander
01:19:30 Chairman Essmann
01:20:10 Sen. Story

01:21:36 Sen. Story left the hearing.

01:22:17 Lindsay Sander
01:26:26 Chairman Essmann
01:26:45 Sen. Erickson
01:27:19 Chairman Essmann
01:27:58 Sen. Erickson
01:28:31 Dan Bucks
01:34:08 Chairman Essmann
01:34:53 Dan Bucks
01:37:56 Sen. Erickson
01:39:00 Lindsay Sander
01:39:48 Sen. Hamlett
01:40:11 Lindsay Sander
01:40:26 Chairman Essmann
01:41:28 Dan Bucks
01:43:01 Chairman Essmann

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:45 A.M.

Debra Polhemus, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([tas22aad.pdf](#))