

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chairman Keith Bales, on March 3, 2009 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 303 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. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (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: None.

Executive Action: None.

00:00:03 Sen. Bales

FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS DISCUSSION

(continued from 8:00 a.m. meeting)

Infrastructure

00:01:10 Evan Barrett, Governor's Office of Economic Development
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b01\)](#)

00:16:45 Jim Lynch, Director, Montana Department of
Transportation (MDOT)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b02\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b03\)](#)

00:33:10 Director Dan Bucks, Department of Revenue (DOR)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b04\)](#)

00:41:01 Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources
(DNRC)

00:47:43 Director Tony Priete, Montana Department of Commerce
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b05\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b06\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b07\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b08\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b09\)](#)

00:52:23 Sen. Bales

00:52:31 Robert Johnson, Montana AFL-CIO

00:53:16 Chris Laity, Montana Chapter, American Society of
Engineers

00:54:47 Jason Knapp, Engineer, City of Deer Lodge

00:55:54 Jesse Luther, Montana Rural Water Systems, Dry Prairie
Regional Water Authority

00:56:28 Chere Jiusto, Montana Preservation Alliance

00:59:27 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association

01:02:35 Brad Reid, Diversified Plastics, Missoula

[EXHIBIT\(fcs47b10\)](#)

01:04:46 Gary Forrester, Night River Corporation

01:05:19 John Engen, Mayor, City of Missoula

01:06:51 Sen. Bales

Questions from the Committee:

01:06:55 Sen. Lewis
 01:07:28 Mr. Barrett
 01:08:34 Sen. Lewis
 01:08:53 Mr. Barrett
 01:10:06 Sen. Lewis
 01:10:21 Mr. Barrett
 01:10:26 Sen. Bales
 01:10:27 Sen. Cooney
 01:11:14 Director Bucks
 01:13:53 Sen. Bales
 01:13:58 Sen. Laible
 01:14:44 Director Lynch
 01:16:57 Sen. Laible
 01:17:06 Director Lynch
 01:17:24 Sen. Bales
 01:17:26 Sen. Laible
 01:17:47 Director Bucks
 01:20:32 Sen. Schmidt
 01:20:57 Director Bucks
 01:22:25 Sen. Schmidt
 01:22:59 Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
 01:23:09 Sen. Schmidt
 01:23:11 Ms. Purdy
 01:23:29 Sen. Schmidt
 01:23:58 Mr. Hegreberg
 01:24:40 Sen. Schmidt
 01:24:49 Sen. Bales
 01:24:51 Sen. Williams
 01:25:03 Director Lynch
 01:26:02 Sen. Williams
 01:26:25 Director Lynch
 01:26:54 Sen. Bales
 01:26:55 Sen. Laible
 01:27:04 Director Bucks
 01:28:01 Sen. Laible
 01:28:11 Mr. Barrett
 01:29:15 Sen. Laible
 01:29:56 Mr. Barrett
 01:31:01 Sen. Bales
 01:31:36 Director Lynch
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01:38:03 Mr. Barrett
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01:40:23 Sen. Laible
01:41:08 Ms. Purdy
01:41:30 Sen. Bales
01:41:32 Sen. Zinke
01:42:42 Mr. Barrett
01:44:26 Ms. Sexton
01:44:31 Sen. Zinke
01:45:33 Ms. Sexton
01:47:38 Sen. Bales
01:48:02 Kathlyn Driscoll, Ravalli County Commission
01:49:08 Sen. Bales
01:49:19 Jason Todd, Intermountain Logging Association
01:50:04 Robert Johnson, Smurfitt Stone
01:51:11 Sen. Bales

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:53 P.M.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([fcs47bad.pdf](#))