

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Vice Chair Joe Tropila, on March 4, 2009 at 10 A.M., in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Roy Brown (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Joe Balyeat, Chairman (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Carolyn Squires (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, 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: HB 80, HB 171, HB 195, HB 94,
2/24/2009

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 80

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:02 Rep. Deborah Kottel (D), HD 20, opened the hearing on
HB 80, Revise professional and occupational licensing
laws.

EXHIBIT (bus48a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:46 Jack Kane, Deputy Administrator, Business Standards
Division, Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI)

00:17:41 Darcy Moe, Attorney, Business Standards Division, DOLI

00:18:06 Rick Reisig, CPA, Chair, Montana Board of Public
Accountants

EXHIBIT (bus48a02)

00:20:51 Ryan Screnar, CPA, President, Montana Society of CPAs

EXHIBIT (bus48a03)

00:23:01 Gloria Hermanson, Montana Society of Otolaryngology

00:23:38 Mona Jamison, Attorney, Lobbyist, Boyd Andrew Community
Services

00:30:25 Candace Payne, Rimrock Foundation

00:32:15 Aidan Myhre, Montana Addictive Service Providers

00:32:47 Pat Keim, Alternatives, Inc.

00:33:26 Margaret Morgan, Montana Association of Physical
Therapists

00:34:09 Holly Franz, Montana Society of CPAs

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:17 Rep. Kottel

00:36:23 Sen. Balyeat entered and assumed the position of
Chairman.

HEARING ON HB 171

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:36:50 Rep. Shannon Augare (D), HD 16, opened the hearing on HB 171, Repeal state regulation of pro and semipro combative events.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:24 Jack Kane, Deputy Administrator, Business Standards Division, Department of Labor

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:44:43 Wayne Johnston, Executive officer, Montana Athletic Program

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:45:12 Rep. Augare

00:46:00 Sen. Windy Boy arrived.

HEARING ON HB 195

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:46:08 Rep. Robin Hamilton (D), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 195, Revise restaurant beer and wine license laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:49:05 Shauna Helfert, Administrator, Liquor Control Division, Department of Revenue

00:52:44 Mark Staples, Montana Tavern Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:58:23 Paul Peterson, self, Bozeman

01:01:44 Sen. Windy Boy left the room.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:18:46 Sen. Barkus
01:18:56 Shauna Helfert
01:20:30 Chairman Balyeat

01:20:56 Sen. Keane left the room.

01:23:22 Shauna Helfert
01:24:04 Chairman Balyeat
01:24:44 C. A. Daw, Chief Legal, Department of Revenue
01:25:09 Chairman Balyeat
01:29:55 Mark Staples
01:31:17 Chairman Balyeat
01:32:40 Shauna Helfert
01:32:51 Sen. Brown
01:34:41 Shauna Helfert
01:35:09 Sen. Barkus
01:35:17 Paul Peterson

01:35:27 Sen. Jackson arrived.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:38:16 Rep. Hamilton

01:39:46 Sen. Keane returned.

HEARING ON HB 94

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:40:00 Rep. Walter McNutt (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 94, Clarify liquor license laws related to security interests.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:47:30 Amy Grmoljez, Attorney, Montana Bankers Association
[EXHIBIT \(bus48a04\)](#)

01:52:32 Steve Turkiewicz, Montana Bankers Association

01:53:09 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy left the room.

01:54:53 Steve Yeakel, Montana Independent Bankers
01:55:15 Clyde Dailey, Montana Credit Union Network

Opponents' Testimony:

01:55:53 Shauna Helfert, Administrator, Liquor Control Bureau,
Department of Revenue

EXHIBIT (bus48a05)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:59:39 Sen. Keane

01:59:46 Rep. McNutt

02:00:03 Sen. Barkus

02:01:50 Shauna Helfert

Closing by Sponsor:

02:02:29 Rep. McNutt

02:07:16 Chairman Balyeat

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT (bus48a06) Followup on HB 160 of 3/3/09 from Jacqueline
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:13 P.M.

Linda Keim, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([bus48aad.pdf](#))