

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chairman John Brueggeman, on March 5, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brueggeman, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Libby Goodwin, Committee Secretary
Tammy McGill, 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 116, 3/2/2009; HB 120, 3/2/2009;
HB 125, 3/2/2009

Executive Action: HB 120, HB 125

HEARING ON HB 125

00:00:48 **Opening Statement by Sponsor:** Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D),
HD 26, opened the hearing on HB 125, Amend law to
delete reference to single state registration system.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:09 Tim Reardon, Department of Transportation (DOT)
00:03:11 Spook Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association

Opponents' Testimony:

00:03:39 None

Informational Testimony:

00:03:42 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:03:45 Sen. Keane
00:04:00 Mr. Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association

00:04:12 **Closing by Sponsor:** Rep. Mehlhoff

HEARING ON HB 116

00:04:40 **Opening Statement by Sponsor:** Rep. Walter McNutt (R),
HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 116, Clarify proof of
insurance for motor vehicles.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:42 Brenda Nordlund, Department of Justice (DOJ)
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Opponents' Testimony:

00:07:07 None

Informational Testimony:

00:07:12 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:28 Vice-Chairman Tutvedt
00:08:05 Sen. Laslovich
00:08:29 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
00:09:44 Vice-Chairman Tutvedt
00:10:24 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
00:10:53 Sen. Hinkle
00:11:40 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
00:12:30 Sen. Hinkle
00:12:34 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ

00:12:51 **Closing by Sponsor:** Rep. McNutt

00:13:25 Vice-Chairman Tutvedt left the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 120

00:13:39 **Opening Statement by Sponsor:** Rep. Bill McChesney (D),
HD 40, opened the hearing on HB 120, Allow use of
electronic bid bonds for highway projects.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:54 Tim Reardon, DOT
00:18:00 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association

Opponents' Testimony:

00:18:45 None

Informational Testimony:

00:18:48 Russ Katherman, Department of Administration

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:19:14 Sen. Keane
00:19:39 Rep. McChesney
00:19:53 Mr. Reardon, DOT

00:20:36 **Closing by Sponsor:** Sen. McChesney

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 120

00:21:32 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Laslovich moved that **HB 120 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Tutvedt and Sen. Zinke voted by proxy. Sen. Windy Boy was excused.

00:21:47 Tammy McGill

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 125

00:22:25 **Motion:** Sen. Laible moved that **HB 126 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:22:37 Tammy McGill

00:22:47 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Tutvedt and Sen. Zinke voted by proxy. Sen. Windy Boy was excused.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:25 P.M.

Libby Goodwin, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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