

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chairman John Esp, on March 9, 2009 at 3:00 P.M.,
in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Esp, Chairman (R)
Sen. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Ron Erickson (D)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Sen. Steven Gallus (D)

Staff Present: Leanne Heisel, 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 433 (Originally heard in Local
Government Committee on February
18, 2009)

Executive Action: None

WORKING MEETING TO DISCUSS SB 433

00:00:56 Chairman Esp

EXHIBIT(los52a01)

00:01:36 Steve Wade, Attorney, Helena, representing Montana
Contractors Association (MCA)

00:02:43 Leanne Heisel, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:03:03 Steve Wade, MCA

00:04:35 Chairman Esp

00:04:41 Steve Wade

EXHIBIT(los52a02)

00:11:33 Sen. Essmann

00:12:05 Steve Wade

00:13:29 Chairman Esp

00:13:40 Steve Wade

00:14:36 Sen. Gillan

00:15:20 Steve Wade

00:16:13 Sen. Gillan

00:17:21 Steve Wade

00:17:32 Jackie Flikkema, Environment & Resource Manager, Knife
River, Kalispell

00:18:12 Leanne Heisel, LSD

00:18:35 Sen. Gillan

00:18:55 Steve Wade

00:20:40 Sen. Erickson

00:21:23 Chairman Esp

00:21:59 Sen. Erickson

00:22:31 Steve Wade

00:23:14 Sen. Erickson

00:23:23 Steve Wade

00:23:37 Sen. Essmann

00:24:04 Steve Wade

00:24:14 Sen. Gallus arrived at the hearing.

00:25:07 Leanne Heisel

00:25:20 Sen. Barkus

00:25:55 Leanne Heisel

00:26:20 Chairman Esp

00:26:44 Anne Hedges, Montana Environmental Information Center
(MEIC)

00:28:20 Sen. Essmann

00:28:53 Anne Hedges, MEIC

00:29:58 Sen. Essmann

00:30:18 Anne Hedges

00:32:56 Chairman Esp

00:34:27 Anne Hedges

00:35:51 Chairman Esp

00:36:11 Anne Hedges

00:36:21 Sen. Essmann

Discussion: (Con't)

00:38:03 Steve Wade
 00:39:08 Chairman Esp
 00:39:34 Steve Wade
 00:40:33 Chairman Esp
 00:41:03 Steve Wade
 00:41:15 Chairman Esp
 00:41:25 Sen. Essmann
 00:42:15 Sen. Laslovich
 00:42:37 Steve Wade
 00:42:51 Sen. Laslovich
 00:43:00 Steve Wade
 00:44:23 Chairman Esp
 00:44:35 Sen. Laslovich
 00:45:13 Chairman Esp
 00:45:44 Sen. Laslovich
 00:46:12 Chairman Esp
 00:46:35 Sen. Gillan
 00:47:44 Steve Wade
 00:49:39 Chairman Esp
 00:50:16 Sen. Essmann
 00:51:04 Chairman Esp
 00:51:37 Sen. Laslovich
 00:52:40 Steve Wade
 00:53:38 Sen. Gillan
 00:54:50 Steve Wade
 00:55:29 Sen. Erickson
 00:56:30 Steve Wade
 00:57:04 Sen. Erickson
 00:57:13 Chairman Esp
 00:57:34 Sen. Kelly Gebhardt, SD 23
 00:59:44 Sen. Essmann
 01:00:50 Sen. Gebhardt
 01:02:24 Sen. Laslovich
 01:03:16 Steve Wade
 01:04:19 Sen. Laslovich
 01:04:52 Steve Wade
 01:05:25 Sen. Laslovich
 01:06:14 Sen. Essmann
 01:07:46 Steve Wade
 01:09:08 Chairman Esp
 01:09:26 Sen. Gillan
 01:10:19 Chairman Esp
EXHIBIT(1os52a03)
EXHIBIT(1os52a04)
 01:15:11 Sen. Essmann
 01:17:02 Sen. Erickson
 01:17:42 Leanne Heisel
 01:17:53 Sen. Erickson

Discussion: (Con't)

01:18:08 Steve Wade

01:19:30 John Alke, Attorney, Helena

01:20:59 Chairman Esp

EXHIBIT(los52a05)

01:22:35 Leanne Heisel

01:24:00 Sen. Gebhardt

01:24:58 L. Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana
Association of Counties (MACo)

01:27:59 Leanne Heisel

01:28:47 Steve Wade

01:29:13 Chairman Esp

01:29:34 Sen. Gebhardt

01:30:36 Chairman Esp

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

Debra Polhemus, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([los52aad.pdf](#))