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MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chairman Donald J. Steinbeisser, on March 10, 2009
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser, Chairman (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Terry Murphy, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joan Linkenbach, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, 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 592, 3/3/2009

Executive Action: HB 48

HEARING ON HB 592

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:43 Rep. Lee Randall (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 592, Revise livestock identification law.

00:03:18 Sen. Brown present

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:15 Jack Owen, Montana Membership Chairman, National Cattlemen's Association; R-Calf USA, (NCA)

00:16:15 Rep. Dennis Getz, HD 38

00:16:34 Sen. Murphy present

00:19:58 Brett DeBruycker, President, Montana Cattlemen's Association, (MCA)

00:19:59 Chairman Steinbeisser left the room.

00:20:01 Vice Chairman Murphy took the chair.

00:22:51 Dan Teigen, Ag Task Force Chair, Northern Plains Resource Council

EXHIBIT (ags53a01)

00:28:27 Steve Hinebauch, Montana rancher

Opponents' Testimony:

00:30:38 Errol Rice, Executive Vice President, Montana Stockgrower's Association, (MSA)

00:39:18 Aeric Reilly, Montana Wool Grower's Association

EXHIBIT (ags53a02)

Informational Testimony:

00:44:20 Marty Zaluski, State Veterinarian, Department of Livestock, (DOL)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:22 Sen. Jackson

00:49:02 Mr. Rice, MSA

00:49:56 Sen. Jackson

00:50:21 Mr. Rice, MSA

00:50:27 Sen. Jackson

00:50:52 Mr. Rice, MSA

00:52:27 Sen. Jackson

00:52:55 Rep. Randall

00:55:13 Sen. Ripley

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00:56:50 Sen. Ripley
00:57:02 Rep. Randall
00:57:40 Sen. Ripley
00:57:45 Rep. Randall
00:57:50 Sen. Ripley
00:57:56 Sen. Hansen
00:58:25 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
00:58:37 Sen. Hansen
00:59:03 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
01:00:30 Sen. Hansen
01:01:39 Rep. Randall
01:02:36 Sen. Hansen
01:02:54 Rep. Randall
01:03:52 Sen. Brown
01:04:28 Rep. Randall
01:05:12 Sen. Brown
01:06:01 Rep. Randall
01:06:18 Sen. Brown
01:06:50 Rep. Randall
01:07:27 Sen. Larson left the room.
01:07:42 Sen. Brown
01:08:17 Rep. Randall
01:08:59 Sen. Brown
01:09:09 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
01:09:23 Chairman Steinbeisser present
01:09:58 Sen. Brown
01:10:16 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
01:10:57 Sen. Brown
01:11:06 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
01:11:25 Sen. Brown
01:12:00 Mr. Zaluski, DOL
01:12:43 Sen. Brown
01:13:47 Mr. DeBruycker, MCA
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01:20:00 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:20:04 Sen. Brown
01:20:14 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:20:24 Sen. Brown
01:20:54 Sen. Larsen
01:21:19 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:21:36 Sen. Larsen
01:22:25 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:22:50 Chairman Steinbeisser
01:23:21 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:24:13 Sen. Hamlett
01:24:38 Mr. DeBruycker, MCA
01:24:43 Sen. Hamlett
01:24:49 Mr. DeBruycker, MCA
01:25:02 Sen. Hamlett
01:25:30 Mr. DeBruycker, MCA
01:25:43 Sen. Hamlett
01:26:09 Mr. Owen, NCA
01:27:05 Sen. Hansen
01:27:36 Rep. Randall

Closing by Sponsor:

01:28:03 Rep. Randall
01:29:53 Chairman Steinbeisser resumed the chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 48

01:31:21 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **HB 48 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:31:49 Sen. Hamlett
01:32:03 Sen. Brown
01:35:30 Chairman Steinbeisser
01:35:37 Sen. Ripley
01:36:11 Sen. Brown
01:38:00 Sen. Hamlett
01:39:20 Chairman Steinbeisser
01:40:07 Sen. Brown
01:40:53 Sen. Ripley
01:41:36 Sen. Brown
01:42:38 Sen. Hamlett
01:43:24 Sen. Brown
01:44:05 Chairman Steinbeisser

01:44:14 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Larsen voted aye by proxy. Sen. Brown will carry the bill in the Senate.

01:44:28 Sen. Hansen

01:44:59 Chairman Steinbeisser

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

Joan Linkenbach, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([ags53aad.pdf](#))