

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Walter McNutt, on January 31, 2011 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Walter McNutt, Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. John Esp (R)
Rep. Steve Gibson (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Antoine Brockman, Committee Secretary
Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Jon Moe, 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 13, 1/27/2011

HEARING ON HB 13**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:30 Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D), HD 85, opened the hearing on HB 13, State employee pay plan.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:15 David Ewer, Director, Governor's Budget Office
00:06:45 Rep. Sesso entered the room.
00:09:12 Paula Stoll, Administrator, State Human Resources Division, Department of Administration

EXHIBIT(aph24a01)

00:13:50 Rep. Esp left the room.
00:14:59 Rep. Cook entered the room.
00:16:14 Rep. Esp entered the room.
00:17:12 Rep. Esp left the room.
00:17:54 Rep. Esp entered the room.
00:21:28 Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State, Office of the Secretary of State

EXHIBIT(aph24a02)

00:23:22 Eric Feaver, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)
00:25:50 Tom Schneider, Montana Public Employees Association
00:30:30 Tom Twardoski, Self
00:30:48 Rep. Gibson left the room.
00:33:04 Ursala Hatfield, Self
00:33:57 Cathy, Helena Area Chamber of Commerce
00:35:19 Kevin McRay, Associate Commissioner for Communications, Montana University System (MUS)
00:37:12 Rep. Gibson entered the room.
00:37:18 Steve Barrett, Chairman, Montana State Board of Regents
00:41:34 Jack Kirkley, The University of Montana Western - Dillion, Montana
00:44:33 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
00:45:18 Waded Cruzado, President, Montana State University (MSU)
00:48:32 Royce Engstrom, President, the University of Montana (UM)
00:51:50 Jim McGarvey, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
00:53:51 Mark Winkley, Corrections Officer, Pine Hills Correctional Facility, Miles City, Montana
00:56:36 Steve Lewis, Faculty, the University of Montana College of Technology - Helena, Helena, Montana
00:57:10 Rep. Ankney and Rep. Gibson left the room.
00:59:01 Barbra Warnick, Permitting Tech., Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Justice (DOJ)
01:01:43 Chairman McNutt left the room.

01:02:05 Rep. Sesso left the room.
01:02:58 Douglas Coffin, Professor, the University of Montana (UM)
[EXHIBIT\(aph24a03\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(aph24a04\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(aph24a05\)](#)
01:03:57 Chairman McNutt and Rep. Gibson entered the room.
01:10:22 Jennifer Gursky, Lobbyist, the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)
01:10:59 Janelle Booth, Montana State University (MSU) Student and Student Lobbyist for the Montana Associated Students (MAS)
01:11:47 Daniel Kenney, Self
01:12:36 Rep. Esp left the room.
01:12:59 Rep. Osmundson left the room.
01:13:11 Jill Cohenour, Self
01:16:06 Rich Aarstead, Self
01:17:48 Bill Beehler, Federation of Montana State Prison Employees

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: Barb Wagner, Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:19:38 Rep. Cook
01:20:20 Mr. Coffin, UM
01:20:37 Rep. Cook
01:21:16 Mr. Coffin, UM
01:21:26 Rep. Cook
01:22:01 Rep. Beck
01:22:37 Mr. Schneider, MPEA
01:22:56 Mr. Feaver, MEA-MFT
01:23:13 Rep. Brodehl
01:23:48 Ms Stoll, DOA
01:23:55 Rep Esp entered the room.
01:24:02 Rep. Brodehl
01:24:58 Ms Stoll, DOA
01:25:23 Rep. Brodehl
01:25:54 Ms Stoll, DOA
01:26:05 Rep. Hollenbaugh
01:26:24 Jon Moe, Expenditure Policy Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
01:26:42 Rep. Hollenbaugh
01:27:00 Mr. Moe, LFD

Closing by Sponsor:

01:27:43 Rep. Hiner

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:29:28

Antoine Brockman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph24aad.pdf](#))