

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Pat Ingraham, on April 5, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Pat Ingraham, Chair (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)
Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. James Knox (R)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)

Members Absent: Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)

Staff Present: Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division
Marissa Stockton, 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 397, 4/4/2011
Discussion on Study Bills requested by the committee

00:01:00 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:02:19 Rep. Bennett and Rep. Kennedey arrived

HEARING ON SB 397

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:34 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 397, Increase authority of commissioner of political practices for noncompliance.

[EXHIBIT\(sth76a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth76a02\)](#)

00:09:30 Chairwoman Ingraham

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:37 Janet Ellis
00:11:42 Matt Ellessar

Opponents' Testimony:

00:12:34 Bob Faw
[EXHIBIT\(sth76a03\)](#)
00:17:37 Becky Stockton
00:18:15 Chris Gallus
00:19:58 Rep. Smith arrived.

Informational Testimony:

00:20:09 Mary Baker, Political Practices Office (COPP)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:20:39 Rep. Washburn
00:21:51 Bob Faw
00:24:13 Rep. Skees
00:25:19 Sen. Kaufmann
00:26:20 Rep. Skees
00:27:06 Sen. Kaufmann
00:27:27 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:27:31 Rep. Skees
00:27:45 Mary Baker
00:28:13 Rep. Skees
00:29:08 Mary Baker
00:29:44 Rep. Wilmer
00:31:18 Bob Faw
00:32:07 Rep. MacLaren left.
00:32:16 Rep. Wilmer

00:32:53 Bob Faw
00:34:20 Rep. Wilmer
00:34:31 Mary Baker
00:35:52 Rep. Kennedy
00:36:12 Chris Gallus
00:38:08 Rep. Kennedy
00:38:16 Chris Gallus
00:39:02 Rep. Kennedy
00:39:15 Mary Baker
00:39:46 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:39:51 Rep. Hendrick
00:40:43 Mary Baker
00:41:41 Rep. Hendrick
00:42:07 Mary Baker
00:42:34 Rep. Hendrick
00:43:50 Mary Baker
00:45:05 Rep. Knox
00:45:29 Bob Faw
00:45:57 Rep. Knox
00:46:07 Bob Faw
00:46:13 Rep. Bennett
00:46:42 Sen Kaufmann
00:47:05 Rep. Bennett
00:47:20 Sen. Kaufmann
00:47:35 Rep. Bennett
00:47:55 Mary Baker
00:48:37 Rep. Washburn
00:48:56 Chris Gallus
00:49:19 Rep. Washburn
00:49:25 Chris Gallus
00:50:04 Rep. Washburn
00:50:32 Mary Baker
00:50:57 Rep. Washburn
00:51:22 Mary Baker
00:52:18 Rep. Connell
00:53:05 Mark Baker
00:53:39 Rep. Connell
00:54:19 Mary Baker
00:55:10 Rep. Connell
00:55:25 Chris Gallus
00:57:08 Rep. Connell
00:57:54 Chris Gallus
01:00:17 Rep. Kennedy
01:00:33 Sen. Kaufmann
01:01:30 Rep. Kennedy
01:01:39 Rep. Knox left.
01:01:53 Sen. Kaufmann
01:02:02 Rep. Kennedy
01:02:24 Sen. Kaufmann
01:03:25 Rep. Kennedy

01:03:41 Sen. Kaufmann
01:04:09 Rep. Wilmer
01:05:03 Mary Baker
01:05:06 Rep. Wilmer
01:05:17 Mark Baker
01:05:23 Rep. Skees
01:05:48 Mary Baker
01:05:50 Rep. Skees
01:06:16 Mary Baker
01:06:45 Rep. Skees
01:06:58 Chris Gallus
01:07:26 Rep. Skees
01:07:44 Chris Gallus
01:07:58 Rep. Skees
01:08:25 Chris Gallus
01:09:37 Rep. Skees
01:09:55 Chris Gallus
01:10:15 Rep. Smith
01:10:44 Mary Baker
01:10:47 Rep. Smith
01:10:51 Mary Baker
01:11:36 Rep. Smith
01:12:00 Sen. Kaufmann
01:12:11 Rep. Knox returned.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:12:35 Sen. Kaufmann
01:18:42 Chairwoman Ingraham

Discussion on Study Bills requested by the Committee:

01:19:25 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:19:39 10 Minute Recess
01:35:50 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:37:19 Rep. Hendricks
EXHIBIT(sth76a04)
01:40:02 Rep. Kennedy
01:40:45 Rep. Knox
01:40:59 Rep. Kary
01:41:19 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
01:41:44 Rep. Kennedy
01:42:40 Rep. Wilmer
01:45:04 Rep. Hendricks
01:47:48 Rep. Kennedy
01:48:07 Rep. Hendricks
01:48:14 Chairman Ingraham
01:48:22 Rep. Skees
01:48:34 Chairman Ingraham

01:49:14 Rep. Kennedy
01:49:30 Rep. Knox
01:50:14 Chairman Ingraham
01:50:25 Rep. Hendricks
01:50:41 Sheri Scurr
01:51:18 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:51:35 Rep. Wilmer
01:51:57 Rep. Connell
01:53:23 Chairman Ingraham
01:53:32 Rep. Kennedy
01:54:22 Sheri Scurr
01:55:20 Rep. Smith
01:55:31 Rep. Skees
01:56:02 Rep. Kennedy
01:56:21 Rep. Hendricks
01:56:37 Sheri Scurr
01:57:26 Majority of the Committee agreed to move to move Study Bill # LC2203 forward.
The following members objected: Rep. B.Bennett, Rep. Swanson, Rep. Wilmer,
and Rep. Price.
01:58:14 Rep. Wilmer
EXHIBIT(sth76a05)
01:58:53 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:59:12 Rep. Wilmer
01:59:45 Rep. Kennedy
02:59:57 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:00:47 Rep. Connell
02:01:52 Rep. Smith
02:02:20 Rep. Knox
02:03:33 Rep. Kary
02:04:04 Rep. Wilmer
02:05:26 Rep. Kennedy
02:08:02 Rep. Knox
02:08:09 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:08:20 Majority of the Committee agreed to move to move Study Bill #LC2200 forward.
The following members objected: Rep. Connell, Rep Kary and Rep. Kennedy.
02:08:52 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:11:09 Rep. Kennedy

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:11:34

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth76aad.pdf](#))