

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Pat Ingraham, on April 7, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

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

Members Excused: Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division
Marissa Stockton, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HR 2, 4/5/2011; HJ 30, 4/5/2011
Executive Action on: SJ 326; SJ 328; SJ 397, HR 2

00:00:04 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:01:23 Rep. Wilmer arrived.

HEARING ON HR 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:27 Rep. Mike Milburn (R), HD 19, opened the hearing on HR 2, House Resolution in support of retaining the F-15C/D mission in Montana.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:01 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:06:07 Sen. Buttery, SD 13
00:11:58 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:12:06 Susan Campbell Reneau
00:13:27 Roger Hagan, Enlisted Association of the National Guard of Montana
00:15:54 Bob Faw
00:17:21 Bob Pavlovich, Veterans Affairs Committee

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:58 Rep. Wilmer
00:19:15 Rep. Milburn

Closing by Sponsor:

00:19:26 Rep. Milburn
00:20:20 Chairwoman Ingraham

HEARING ON HJ 30

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:20:45 Rep. Bill Beck (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on HJ 30, Interim study of privatization of Montana Veterans' Home at Columbia Falls.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:22:43 Bob Pavlovich
00:24:08 Susan Campbell Reneau (Chair ruled that she is an opponent)
00:29:07 Chairwoman Ingraham

00:29:09 Susan Campbell Reneau
00:29:26 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:29:57 Robert Hagen, American Legion of Montana
00:31:19 Larry Longfellow, Montana Veterans of Foreign Wars
00:31:47 Bob Faw

Opponents' Testimony:

00:33:24 Terry Minow, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers
(MEA-MFT)

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00:37:25 Chairwoman Ingraham

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:37:32 Rep. Kennedy
00:37:43 Terry Minow
00:38:13 Rep. Kennedy
00:38:19 Terry Minow
00:38:38 Chairman Ingraham
00:38:39 Rep. Knox
00:39:10 Terry Minow
00:39:24 Rep. Knox
00:39:47 Terry Minow
00:40:16 Rep. Hendrick
00:41:00 Terry Minow
00:41:16 Rep. MacLaren left.
00:41:32 Rep. Hendrick
00:42:38 Terry Minow
00:42:45 Rep. Hendrick
00:43:01 Terry Minow
00:43:39 Rep. Wilmer
00:44:10 Terry Minow
00:44:36 Rep. Wilmer
00:45:31 Rep. Beck
00:46:26 Rep. Kennedy left.
00:46:50 Rep. Wilmer
00:47:27 Rep. Beck
00:48:03 Rep. Smith
00:48:45 Larry Longfellow
00:48:57 Rep. Smith
00:49:15 Larry Longfellow
00:49:32 Rep. Smith
00:49:35 Rep. Beck
00:50:07 Rep. Smith
00:50:13 Rep. Beck
00:50:25 Rep. Smith
00:50:45 Rep. Skees

00:51:03 Rep. Kennedy returned.
00:51:12 Rep. Beck
00:51:18 Rep. Skees
00:51:25 Rep. Beck
00:51:35 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:51:45 Larry Longfellow
00:52:10 Rep. Skees
00:52:43 Rep. Beck
00:53:09 Rep. Price
00:53:16 Susan Campbell Reneau
00:54:03 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:54:45 Rep. Price
00:55:00 Rep. Bennett
00:55:26 Rep. Beck
00:55:53 Chairwoman Ingraham

Closing by Sponsor:

00:56:00 Rep. Beck

00:58:25 Chairwoman Ingraham
00:58:35 Rep. Price
00:58:43 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:59:26 Chairwoman Ingraham

00:59:45 10 Minute Break
01:11:04 Meeting Resumed with all members except for Rep. Wilmer, Rep. Knox, Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 326

01:11:24 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 326 BE CONCURRED IN.**

01:13:00 **Motion:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **SB 326 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(sth78a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth78a03\)](#)

Discussion:

01:13:06 Sheri Scurr, LSD
01:13:45 Chairwoman Ingraham

01:13:51 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hands, Rep. Knox, Rep. MacLaren, Rep. McGillvray and Rep. Wilmer voted by proxy.

01:13:58 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 326 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:14:38 Rep. Connell
01:16:13 Rep. Wilmer and Rep. Knox returned.
01:16:29 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:16:30 Rep. Skees
01:17:47 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:17:53 Rep. Smith
01:18:16 Chairwoman Ingraham

01:19:35 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Kennedy, Rep. Knox, Rep. McGillvray and Rep. Skees voting no. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy. Rep. Furey will carry the bill.

01:19:53 Rep. Hendrick
01:20:15 Sheri Scurr, LSD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 328

01:20:48 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 328 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:21:05 Sheri Scur, LSD
01:21:18 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:21:26 Rep. Smith
01:22:17 Rep. Knox
01:24:04 Chairwoman Ingraham
01:24:06 Rep. Kennedy
01:24:47 Rep. G. Bennett
01:26:19 Rep. Wilmer
01:29:30 Rep. Washburn
01:30:26 Rep. Hendrick
01:32:33 Rep. Price
01:33:56 Rep. B. Bennett
01:35:31 Rep. Blyton
01:36:23 Rep. Kennedy
01:36:57 Rep. G. Bennett
01:38:05 Rep. Smith
01:38:53 Rep. Price
01:39:39 Rep. Skees
01:40:56 Rep. Wilmer
01:41:59 Rep. Kennedy

01:42:59 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-15 by roll call vote with Rep. Kennedy, Rep. Knox and Rep. McGillvray voting aye. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

01:43:01 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kary moved that **SB 328 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 397

01:43:34 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 397 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

01:43:47 **Motion:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **SB 397 BE AMENDED**.
EXHIBIT(sth78a04)

01:44:35 Sheri Scur, LSD
01:45:33 Chairwoman Ingraham

01:45:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-3 by voice vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hendrick and Rep. Knox voting no. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

01:46:19 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 397 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

01:46:28 **Motion:** Rep. Kennedy moved that **SB 397 BE AMENDED**.
EXHIBIT(sth78a05)

Discussion:

01:47:13 Rep. Washburn
01:47:34 Rep. B. Bennett
01:48:20 Rep. Kennedy
01:48:53 Rep. Hendrick
01:49:22 Rep. Kennedy
01:49:29 Rep. Wilmer
01:50:15 Sheri Scurr, LSD
01:51:29 Rep. Wilmer
01:51:49 Sheri Scurr, LSD
01:52:00 Rep. Skees
01:52:04 Rep. Kennedy
01:52:37 Rep. Wilmer
01:53:20 Sheri Scurr, LSD
01:53:52 Rep. Knox
01:54:31 Rep. Kennedy

01:54:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Blyton, Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren, Rep. Swanson and Rep. Washburn voting no. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

01:56:03 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 397 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:56:26 Rep Skees
01:58:40 Rep. Wilmer
01:59:27 Rep. Knox
02:01:09 Rep. Smith
02:01:45 Rep. Price

02:02:20 **Motion:** Rep. B. Bennett moved that **SB 397 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(sth78a06)

Discussion:

02:03:17 Rep. Wilmer
02:03:28 Rep. Connell
02:03:42 Rep. Wilmer
02:04:36 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:04:40 Rep. Skees
02:04:46 Rep. Washburn
02:05:00 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:06:02 Rep. Skees
02:06:25 Sheri Scurr
02:07:29 Chairwoman Ingraham
02:07:33 Rep. Wilmer
02:08:05 Chairwoman Ingraham

02:08:15 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

02:08:37 **Motion:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **SB 397 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:08:48 Rep. Kennedy
02:09:01 Rep. Skees
02:10:50 Rep. Kary
02:11:26 Chairman Ingraham
02:11:35 Rep. B. Bennett
02:12:37 Rep. Washburn

02:13:25 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-9 by roll call vote with Rep. B. Bennett, Rep. Blyton, Rep. Connell, Rep. Hands, Rep. Price, Rep. Smith, Rep. Swanson, Rep. Washburn and Rep. Wilmer voting aye. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

02:14:15 Chairwoman Ingraham

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 2

02:14:15 Chairwoman Ingraham

02:14:37 Sheri Scurr , LSD

02:14:52 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. G. Bennett moved that **HR 2 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hands, Rep. MacLaren and Rep. McGillvray voted by proxy.

02:15:34 Chairwoman Ingraham

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:16:14

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth78aad.pdf](#))