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MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Jim Shockley, on January 28, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)
Sen. Ron Arthun, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Carmine Mowbray (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Llew Jones (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Nadine Spencer, 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: SB 181, 1/26/2011; SB 182, 1/26/2011; SB 188, 1/26/2011

Executive Action: SB 181, Be Tabled

HEARING ON SB 181

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:32 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 181, Eliminate and revise statutes related to MDOT boards and councils.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor: None

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 181

00:02:19 **Motion:** Sen. Arthun moved that **SB 181 DO PASS**.

00:02:24 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jent moved that **SB 181 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Sen. Balyeat, Sen. Blewett, Sen. Jones and Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

00:03:25 Sen. Balyeat entered the hearing

HEARING ON SB 188

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:55 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 188, Eliminate and revise statutes related to Administration boards & councils.

00:05:27 Sen. Balyeat left the hearing.

00:07:55 Sen. Windy Boy entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:17 Sheryl Olson, Department of Administration (DOA)

00:11:28 Sen. Jent left the hearing

00:11:55 Sen. Blewett entered the hearing

Opponents' Testimony:

00:15:31 Gordon Morris, representing Lewis and Clark County Commissioners and also representing Art Pembroke, Director, Information and Technology Services for Lewis and Clark County

EXHIBIT(sts22a01)

00:19:11 Sen. Balyeat entered the hearing

00:19:30 John Barrows, Executive Director, Montana Newspaper Association (MNA)
00:22:43 Sheryl Wood, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
00:26:40 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
00:29:30 Bonnie Lorang, Montana Independent Telecommunications System (MITS)

EXHIBIT(sts22a02)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:40:20 Sen. Windy Boy
00:40:31 Sen. Jent entered the hearing
00:41:08 Bonnie Lorang, MITS
00:42:16 Sen. Windy Boy
00:42:23 Chairman Shockley
00:42:40 Bonnie Lorang
00:43:05 Chairman Shockley
00:43:17 Sen. Windy Boy
00:43:40 Sheryl Olson, DOA
00:44:03 Sen. Jent
00:45:18 Sen. Van Dyk
00:45:44 Chairman Shockley
00:45:48 Sen. Jent
00:46:46 Sen. Van Dyk
00:47:12 Sen. Arthun
00:47:29 Gordon Morris
00:48:25 Sen. Windy Boy
00:48:49 Chairman Shockley
00:48:56 Sen. Mowbray
00:50:23 John Barrows, MNA
00:51:07 Chairman Shockley
00:52:17 Sheryl Wood, MACo

Closing by Sponsor:

00:53:02 Sen. Van Dyk

Additional Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:57:16 Sen. Balyeat
00:57:50 Rachel Weiss, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:58:01 Sen. Van Dyk
00:58:20 Chairman Shockley
00:58:33 Sen. Arthun
00:59:00 Sen. Van Dyk

HEARING ON SB 182

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:59:36 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 182, Eliminate 2 advisory units for board of regents.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:01:56 Dan Villa, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:04:14 Sen. Windy Boy
01:04:25 Dan Villa
01:04:35 Sen. Mowbray
01:04:50 Dan Villa
01:05:36 Chairman Shockley

Closing by Sponsor:

01:05:50 Sen. Van Dyk

Discussion on Pension Bills

01:06:46 Chairman Shockley
01:09:15 Sen. Jent
01:09:41 Chairman Shockley
01:09:57 Sen. Balyeat
01:11:15 Chairman Shockley
01:11:34 Sen. Jent
01:12:02 Chairman Shockley
01:12:23 Sen. Arthun
01:12:50 Sen. Balyeat
01:14:21 Rachel Weiss
01:14:43 Chairman Shockley
01:15:08 Sen. Balyeat
01:15:32 Chairman Shockley

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:20 P.M.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sts22aad.pdf](#))