

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Donald J. Steinbeisser, on February 3, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser, Chair (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Frederick "Eric" Moore (R)
Sen. Terry Murphy (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Rowlie Hutton (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, 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 216, 1/27/2011; SB 220, 1/27/2011

Executive Action: SB 218; SB 195; SB 216

HEARING ON SB 216

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:53 Sen. Jim Peterson (R), SD 15, opened the hearing on SB 216, Designate the
"code of the west" the "code of Montana".
00:01:39 Sen. Hutton now present

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:37 John Ostlund, Montana Association of Counties (MACo), Yellowstone County
00:12:37 Ed Bartlett, representing himself
00:13:17 Rep. Jonathan McNiven, HD 44
00:15:29 Bruce McIntyre, representing himself
00:16:36 Candace Payne, representing herself
00:18:11 Glenn Marx, representing himself

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:47 Sen. Hawks
00:22:10 Sen. Peterson
00:24:37 Sen. Hawks
00:25:00 Sen. Peterson
00:25:32 Sen. Brown
00:26:39 Sen. Peterson
00:29:24 Sen. Larsen
00:30:18 Sen. Steinbeisser
00:30:30 Sen. Peterson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:04 Sen. Peterson

HEARING ON SB 220

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:52 Sen. Kim Gillan (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 220, Add knowing
spectator as person who commits offense of animal fighting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:55 Dave Pauli, Montana Animal Care Association

[EXHIBIT](#)(ags27a01)

00:41:56 Wendy Hergenraeder, Montana State Director, The Humane Society of the
United States

[EXHIBIT](#)(ags27a02)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:45:35 Sen. Ripley
00:46:05 Sen. Gillan
00:47:13 Sen. Brown
00:48:09 Mr. Pauli
00:49:44 Sen. Brown
00:49:54 Mr. Pauli
00:50:56 Sen. Steinbeisser
00:51:05 Mr. Pauli
00:52:23 Sen. Steinbeisser
00:52:37 Mr. Pauli
00:52:43 Sen. Moore
00:53:09 Sen. Gillan
00:53:29 Sen. Moore
00:53:35 Sen. Gillan
00:53:39 Sen. Brown
00:54:04 Sen. Gillan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:55:38 Sen. Gillan

[EXHIBIT](#)(ags27a03)

Sen. Stewart-Peregoy not present

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 195

00:59:04 **Motion:** Sen. Ripley moved that **SB 216 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:59:22 Sen. Branae

00:59:39 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.
Sen. Stewart-Peregoy was excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 218

01:00:18 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **SB 216 DO PASS.**

01:00:29 Stewart-Peregoy now present

01:00:51 **Motion:** Sen. Steinbeisser moved that **SB 216 BE AMENDED.**

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01:01:04 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

01:02:29 Sen. Hawks

01:02:32 Ms. O'Connell

01:04:35 Sen. Brown

01:05:12 Krista Lee Evans, Montana Agricultural Business Association (MABA)

01:06:00 Sen. Hawks

01:06:59 Ms. Evans, MABA

01:08:17 Sen. Larsen

01:08:31 Ms. Evans

01:08:48 Sen. Steinbeisser

01:09:12 Sen. Windy Boy not present

01:09:27 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote, by those present and voting.
Sen. Windy Boy was excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 216

01:10:35 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ripley moved that **SB 216 DO PASS.** Motion carried
unanimously by voice vote.

Sen. Windy Boy and Sen. Steward Peregoy now present.

Committee Discussion on SB 220:

01:11:08 Sen. Brown

01:12:26 Sen. Murphy

01:13:23 Sen. Brown

01:13:38 Sen. Moore

01:13:57 Sen. Steinbeisser

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT(ags27a05)

Letter from Ole Norgaard re: SB 218

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:40 p.m.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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