

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Vice Chair Art Wittich, on February 4, 2011 at 3:26 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Art Wittich, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Lynda Moss (D)
Sen. Alan Olson (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Jon Sonju, Chairman (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch
Kirk Lundby, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 222, 2/1/2011
Executive Action: SB150 Tabled
SB 222 Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 222

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:03 Sen. Shannon Augare (D), SD 8, opened the hearing on SB 222, Revise qualifications for firefighters.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:29 Joseph Sands, representing the Montana State Council of Professional Firefighters (SCPF)
00:03:16 Alec Hanson, representing the Montana League of Cities of Towns (MLCT)
00:05:21 Doug Neil, representing the Montana State Fireman's Association (SFA)
00:07:29 Richard Grady, representing the Canyon Creek Rural Fire District

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:20 Sen. Vuckovich
00:10:53 Sen. Augare
00:11:26 Sen. Buttrey
00:11:48 Doug Neil, (SFA)
00:11:50 Vice Chair Wittich
00:11:58 Doug Neil
00:12:05 Sen. Buttrey
00:12:27 Vice Chair Wittich
00:12:38 Doug Neil
00:13:52 Sen. Gallus entered the committee room
00:14:05 Vice Chair Wittich

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:31 Sen. Augare

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 222

00:14:58 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Olson moved that **SB 222 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:15:32 recess
00:20:32 reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 150

00:20:48 **Motion:** Sen. Olson moved that **SB 150 DO PASS.**

00:20:55 **Motion:** Sen. Olson moved that **SB 150 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(los28a01)

Discussion:

00:21:19 Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:22:35 Sen. Olson
00:23:12 Vice Chair Wittich
00:23:30 Sen. Olson
00:23:32 Vice Chair Wittich

00:24:48 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Sen. Sonju and Sen. Tutvedt voted by proxy.

00:25:01 **Motion:** Sen. Olson moved that **SB 150 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:25:11 Vice Chair Wittich
00:25:16 Sen. Olson
00:25:21 Sen. Gallus
00:26:31 Sen. Tutvedt entered the committee room
00:26:41 Vice Chair Wittich
00:26:46 Leanne Kurtz, (LSD)
00:28:51 Vice Chair Wittich
00:29:52 Sen. Buttrey
00:30:07 Vice Chair Wittich
00:30:38 Sen. Augare
00:31:09 Vice Chair Wittich
00:32:02 Sen. Tutvedt
00:32:42 Leanne Kurtz
00:32:55 Sen. Gallus
00:33:50 Leanne Kurtz
00:34:45 Sen. Augare

00:35:01 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Augare made a substitute motion that **SB 150 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 6-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Olson, Sen. Sonju and Sen. Wittich voting no. Sen. Sonju voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:
00:36:46

Kirk Lundby, Secretary

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