

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Dave Lewis, on February 10, 2011 at 5:00 P.M., in Room 303
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dave Lewis, Chairman (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Jon Sonju (R)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Alan Olson (R)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, 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 231, 2/4/2011; SB 227, 2/4/2011

HEARING ON SB 231

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:42 Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D), SD 10, opened the hearing on SB 231, Revise traumatic brain injury contribution on vehicle registration to opt-out.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:22 Anita Roessmann, representing Brain Injury Association of Montana

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs33a01\)**](#)

00:16:08 Terry Stephens, Veteran And Brain Injury Association of Montana

00:19:10 Lacey Hunt, Volunteer, Brain Injury Association of Montana

00:21:37 Tana Ostrowski

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs33a02\)**](#)

00:28:12 Ian Elliot, Governor's Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council and proxy for Cindy Locks, Montana Brain Injury Center

00:36:44 Julia Hammerquist, Governor's Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council

00:40:01 Jim Hunt, Attorney, Retired Colonel Montana National Guard representing himself

00:45:52 Jana Suchy, representing herself

00:47:40 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic

00:48:20 Kristin Morgan, Brain Injury Association of Montana

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs33a03\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs33a04\)**](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:55:01 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association

00:57:18 Cindy Swank, representing herself

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs33a05\)**](#)

Informational Testimony:

01:03:44 Brenda Nordlund, Montana Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Justice

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:05:12 Sen. Buttrey

01:06:12 Sen. Hamlett

01:06:45 Sen. Buttrey

01:06:58 Sen. Hamlett

01:07:09 Sen. Priest

01:07:47 Ms. Roessmann

01:09:51 Sen. Walker

01:10:40 Ms. Morgan

01:10:56 Sen. Brown

01:11:59 Ms. Roessmann

01:13:07 Sen. Brown

01:13:39 Ms. Roessmann

01:14:16 Sen. Caferro
01:14:26 Ms. Roessmann

Closing by Sponsor:

01:15:08 Sen. Hamlett

HEARING ON SB 227

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:16:42 Sen. Jason Priest (R), SD 30, opened the hearing on SB 227, Requiring a report on advertising of state government services.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:21:16 John Barrows, Montana Newspaper Association, Montana Newspaper Advertising Service

Opponents' Testimony:

01:23:52 None

Informational Testimony:

01:23:59 Sheryl Olson, Department of Administration (DOA)
01:28:06 Denise King, Montana Historical Society (MHS)
01:31:09 Jana Suchy, representing herself

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:32:56 Sen. Keane
01:33:43 Sen. Priest
01:34:24 Chairman Lewis
01:34:40 Sen. Priest
01:35:25 Sen. Hamlett
01:35:48 Sen. Priest
01:36:24 Sen. Williams
01:37:19 Sen. Priest
01:38:59 Sen. Williams
01:39:39 Sen. Priest
01:40:10 Sen. Barrett
01:41:39 Ms. Olson, DOA
01:42:42 Sen. Barrett
01:43:08 Ms. Olson
01:43:24 Sen. Walker
01:44:01 Ms. Suchy
01:44:21 Sen. Walker
01:44:58 Ms. Suchy

01:45:12 Sen. Walker
01:46:09 Chairman Lewis
01:46:24 Sen. Walker
01:46:59 Ms. Suchy
01:47:59 Chairman Lewis

Closing by Sponsor:

01:48:24 Sen. Priest

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 6:57

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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