

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Donald J. Steinbeisser, on March 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. Rowlie Hutton (R)  
Sen. Terry Murphy (R)  
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)  
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)  
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Rinay Bender, 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 273, 3/03/2011

00:00:13 Sen Moore arrived at the meeting.

**HEARING ON HB 273**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:29 Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D), HD 26, opened the hearing on HB 273, Generally revise roadway access laws.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:36 Roger Hagan, Montana Trail Vehicle Riders Association (MTVRA)  
00:05:08 Bob Walker, Capital Trail Riders Association, Montana Trail Vehicle Riders Association, American Motorcyclist Association  
00:06:18 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy arrived at the meeting.

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:08:58 Sen. Hawks  
00:09:37 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:10:03 Sen. Ripley  
00:10:36 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:10:47 Mr. Walker  
00:11:37 Sen. Brown  
00:12:09 Mr. Hagan  
00:12:49 Sen. Brown  
00:13:30 Mr. Hagan  
00:14:56 Sen. Brown  
00:15:10 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:15:44 Sen. Brown  
00:16:19 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:16:44 Sen. Steinbeisser  
00:17:03 Mr. Walker  
00:17:30 Sen. Moore  
00:17:52 Mr. Hagan

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:19:32 Rep. Mehlhoff

**Discussion on SB 381:**

00:21:04	Sen. Steinbeisser
00:23:15	Sen. Hawks
00:23:20	Sen. Brown
00:23:39	Sen. Steinbeisser
00:24:02	Sen. Hawks
00:24:17	Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:24:46	Sen. Ripley
00:25:03	Sen. Steinbeisser
00:25:16	Sen. Brown
00:25:20	Sen. Steinbeisser

Note: Previous discussion on SB 381 can be found in minutes from committee meeting held on February 21, 2011.

**ADJOURNMENT**

00:25:33 Sen. Steinbeisser adjourned the meeting.

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Rinay Bender, Secretary

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