

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Llew Jones, on March 3, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Llew Jones, Chairman (R)
Sen. Jon Sonju, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Ron Arthun (R)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Carmine Mowbray (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Kirk Lundby, 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: HB 178, 2/21/2011; HB 213, 2/21/2011; HB 251,
2/21/2011
Executive Action: HB 187 Do Concur As Amended
HB 210 Do Concur

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 187

00:01:40 **Motion:** Sen. Sonju moved that **HB 187 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:02:44 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that **HB 187 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(his48a01)

Discussion:

00:03:19 Rachel Weiss, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:03:57 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:04:01 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Sonju moved that **HB 187 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Mowbray will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 210

00:05:05 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Sonju moved that **HB 210 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Buttrey will carry the bill.

Discussion:

00:05:45 Chairman Jones

00:06:20 recess

00:19:53 reconvene

HEARING ON HB 251

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:19:59 Rep. Brian Hoven (R), HD 24, opened the hearing on HB 251, Eliminate requirement for a rear flagger on oversized loads.

00:22:44 Sen. Wanzonried entered the committee room

Proponents' Testimony:

00:25:16 Brad Griffin, Managing Director, Montana Equipment Dealers Association (MEDA)

00:27:04 Mike Anderson, representing Frontline Agriculture

00:29:14 Steve Wade, representing the Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:30:16 Sen. Wanzenried
 00:30:40 Brad Griffin, (MEDA)
 00:31:52 Rep. Hoven
 00:32:03 Sen. Wanzenried
 00:32:28 Rep. Hoven
 00:32:50 Brad Griffin
 00:32:58 Sen. Wanzenried
 00:33:09 Sen. Keane
 00:33:42 Brad Griffin
 00:34:32 Sen. Keane
 00:34:48 Brad Griffin

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:03 Rep. Hoven

HEARING ON HB 178

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:38:08 Rep. David Howard (R), HD 60, opened the hearing on HB 178, Verify lawful presence in US before issuing driver's license or ID card.

[EXHIBIT\(his48a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:40:26 Pat McCain
 00:41:26 Brenda Nordlund, Administrator, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)
 00:45:55 Roger Hagan, representing the American Legion of Montana
 00:47:50 Lisa Wamsley
 00:48:51 Paul Nachman

[EXHIBIT\(his48a03\)](#)

00:54:02 Roger Nummerdor

[EXHIBIT\(his48a04\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:55:46 Jamee Greer, representing the Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)
 00:57:55 Sarah Rossi, representing the Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:00:48 Sen. Keane
01:01:09 Brenda Nordlund, (DOJ)
01:02:56 Sen. Keane
01:03:06 Brenda Nordlund

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:40 Rep. Howard
[EXHIBIT\(his48a05\)](#)

HEARING ON HB 213

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:05:58 Rep. Bill Harris (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on HB 213, Allow operation of electric transportation vehicles by persons with disabilities.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:07:41 Ed Butcher, representing himself
01:13:20 Tracy Drube, representing herself
[EXHIBIT\(his48a06\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(his48a07\)](#)
01:18:57 Shyla Patera, representing the North Central Independent Living Services (NCILS)
01:22:07 Pat Sanders, representing the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
01:23:02 Brenda Nordlund, (DOJ)
[EXHIBIT\(his48a08\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(his48a09\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:27:56 Chairman Jones
01:28:08 Rep. Harris
01:29:28 Ed Butcher

01:30:55 Sen. Arthun

01:31:17 Rep. Harris

Closing by Sponsor:

01:32:02 Rep. Harris

EXHIBIT(his48a10)

Adjournment:

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01:34:09

Kirk Lundby, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([his48aad.pdf](#))