

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Dave Lewis, on March 4, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dave Lewis, Chairman (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
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. Wanzonried (D)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
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

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 237, 3/2/2011; SB 81, 3/2/2011; SB 343, 3/2/11; SB 385;
3/2/11

HEARING ON SB 237

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:01 Sen. Ron Arthun (R), SD 31, opened the hearing on SB 237, Revise laws relating to brucellosis surveillance.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:44 Druska Kinkie, Cattle Producers for Responsible Animal Health Development (Cattle PRAHD)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a01\)**](#)

00:12:23 Roger Nelson, Park County Farm Bureau

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a02\)**](#)

00:15:14 Rick Gibson, Livestock Producer, Park County

00:18:47 Alan Redfield, Cattle PRAHD

00:21:07 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

00:22:52 Jay Bailey, President, Cattle PRAHD and representing himself

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a03\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a04\)**](#)

00:25:29 Jim Durgan, Park County Commissioner and representing himself

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a05\)**](#)

00:27:39 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association

00:28:38 Dave Schulz, Madison County Commissioner

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a06\)**](#)

00:28:59 Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union

00:29:31 Rachel Kinkie, Cattle PRAHD, Madison County, Park County

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a07\)**](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:33:22 Dave Risley, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a08\)**](#)

00:38:38 Marty Zaluski, State Veterinarian, Department of Livestock (DOL)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a09\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a10\)**](#)

00:47:03 Jim Hagenbarth, Producer

[**EXHIBIT\(fcs49a11\)**](#)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:54:46 Sen. Brendan

00:55:50 Mr. Risley, FWP

00:57:03 Sen. Brendan

00:57:41 Mr. Risley

00:58:13 Sen. Ripley
00:58:35 Mr. Risley
01:02:28 Sen. Ripley
01:02:34 Mr. Risley
01:02:41 Ken McDonald, FWP
01:03:59 Sen. Ripley
01:04:32 Mr. McDonald
01:05:13 Sen. Ripley
01:05:35 Sen. Brown
01:06:19 Dr. Zaluski, DOL
01:11:21 Sen. Brown
01:11:30 Dr. Zaluski
01:11:49 Sen. Brown
01:12:26 Ms. Kinkie, Cattle PRAHD
01:13:45 Sen. Hamlett
01:14:20 Dr. Zaluski
01:16:02 Sen. Hamlett
01:16:10 Dr. Zaluski
01:17:10 Sen. Barrett
01:17:30 Mr. Hagenbarth
01:18:24 Sen. Barrett
01:18:41 Mr. Hagenbarth
01:19:44 Sen. Barrett
01:20:09 Ms. Kinkie
01:21:13 Sen. Barrett
01:21:32 Mr. McDonald, FWP
01:21:42 Sen. Barrett
01:21:50 Mr. McDonald

Closing by Sponsor:

01:22:14 Sen. Arthun

HEARING ON SB 343

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:23:38 Sen. Verdell Jackson (R), SD 5, opened the hearing on SB 343, Revise Montana aquatic invasive species act.

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a12\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a13\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a14\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:36:49 Greg Ames, Department of Agriculture

01:39:39 Bruce Rich, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a15\)](#)

01:41:37 Bob Gilbert, Walleyes Unlimited of Montana
01:43:47 Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association (MWRA)
01:44:34 Jeff Tiberi, Montana Association of Conservation Districts
01:45:09 Mark Aagenes, Montana Trout Unlimited
01:45:39 Ed Heger, Chairman, Flathead Basin Commission
01:47:33 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Society
01:47:53 Krista Lee Evans, Association of Gallatin Valley Irrigators
01:48:18 Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union Association
01:48:53 Robin Cunningham, Fishing Outfitters Association of Montana
01:49:22 Caryn Miski, Flathead Basin Commission

[EXHIBIT](#)(fcs49a16)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:52:12 Sen. Ripley
01:52:41 Sen. Jackson
01:57:17 Sen. Ripley
01:57:22 Sen. Jackson
01:57:43 Ms. Jiski, Flathead Basin Commission

Closing by Sponsor:

01:58:55 Sen. Jackson

HEARING ON SB 385

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:01:52 Sen. Mary Caferro (D), SD 40, opened the hearing on SB 385, Provide for parents as scholars program.

[EXHIBIT](#)(fcs49a17)

Proponents' Testimony:

02:12:51 Christina Davis, State Director, Children's Defense Fund
02:17:06 Sheila Hogan, Career Training Institute
02:19:53 Layna George, Working for Equality and Economic Liberation (WEEL)

Opponents' Testimony:

02:20:55 Hank Hudson, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:25:08 Chairman Lewis
02:25:49 Mr. Hudson, DPHHS
02:26:44 Sen. Sonju
02:26:58 Mr. Hudson
02:27:15 Sen. Sonju
02:27:25 Mr. Hudson
02:27:53 Sen. Barrett
02:28:07 Sen. Caferro
02:28:28 Sen. Barrett
02:28:48 Sen. Caferro
02:30:17 Sen. Brenden
02:31:15 Ms. Davis, Children's Defense Fund
02:31:40 Sen. Brenden
02:31:53 Chairman Lewis

Closing by Sponsor:

02:32:13 Sen. Caferro

HEARING ON SB 81

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

02:35:21 Sen. David Wanzonried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 81, Revise commercial drivers license provisions.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:36:09 Brenda Nordlund, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice
[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a18\)](#)
02:39:57 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

02:40:54 Jim Lynch, Department of Transportation

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

02:41:44 Sen. Wanzenried

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:44

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fcs49aad.pdf](#))