

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON RULES

**Call to Order:** Chair Cary Smith, on December 3, 2012 at 12:55 P.M., in Room 172  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Cary Smith, Chair (R)  
Rep. David Halvorson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)  
Rep. Christy Clark (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)  
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)  
Rep. Mike Miller (R)  
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)  
Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Marissa Stockton, Secretary  
Susan Fox, Legislative Services Division

**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:** Discussion and Passage of House Rules for the 2013  
Legislative Session

00:00:01 Chair Smith  
00:01:14 Rep. Williams arrived  
00:01:37 Susan Fox, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(ruh00a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ruh00a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ruh00a03\)](#)

00:04:22 Chair Smith

00:04:46 **Motion:** Rep. Hunter moved to adopt the resolution as presented.

00:05:14 Chair Smith  
00:05:30 Rep. Vance  
00:05:52 Rep. Hunter  
00:06:15 Rep. Clark

00:06:19 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Miller made a substitute motion to adopt Amendment # 2

**Discussion:**

00:06:31 Rep. MacDonald  
00:08:06 Chair Smith  
00:08:08 Rep. Miller  
00:08:29 Chair Smith  
00:08:36 Susan Fox  
00:08:54 Rep. Miller  
00:09:14 Rep. Vance  
00:09:48 Chair Smith  
00:09:51 Rep. MacDonald  
00:11:19 Chair Smith  
00:11:21 Rep. Miller

00:11:44 **Vote:** Motion failed 6-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Hunter, Rep. MacDonald, Rep. McClafferty and Rep. Williams voting aye. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

00:12:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Halvorson moved that amendment # 4 do pass. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

00:13:37 **Motion:** Rep. Halvorson moved that amendment # 5 be adopted.

**Discussion:**

00:13:55 Rep. Hunter  
00:15:04 Chair Smith

00:15:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-1 by voice vote with Rep. Miller voting no. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. MacDonald voted by proxy.

00:15:46 Chair Smith

00:16:18      **Motion:** Rep. Halvorson moved to adopt Amendment # 7.

**Discussion:**

00:16:29      Rep. Knudsen  
00:16:39      Susan Fox, LSD  
00:18:36      Rep. Vance  
00:18:50      Chair Smith  
00:18:57      Rep. MacDonald  
00:20:49      Chair Smith  
00:20:51      Rep. Knudsen  
00:21:33      Rep. Vance  
00:21:54      Susan Fox, LSD  
00:23:37      Rep. Vance  
00:24:27      Rep. Miller  
00:24:40      Susan Fox, LSD  
00:25:25      Rep. Hunter  
00:25:31      Chair Smith

00:25:41      **Vote:** Motion failed 4-12 by roll call vote with Rep. Clark, Rep. Halvorson, Rep. Vance and Rep. Welborn voting aye. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

00:26:49      **Motion:** Rep. Halvorson moved that the Technical Amendments be adopted.

**Discussion:**

00:27:01      Chair Smith  
00:27:03      Susan Fox, LSD  
00:27:13      Chair Smith  
00:27:18      Rep. Edmunds  
00:27:51      Rep. Cuffe  
00:28:15      Rep. Edmunds  
00:28:25      Susan Fox, LSD  
00:28:53      Chair Smith

00:28:57      **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett, Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

00:29:11      **Motion:** Rep. Halvorson moved that Amendment LC565701.ate be adopted.

**Discussion:**

00:29:21      Speaker Blasdel  
00:30:15      Chair Smith  
00:30:17      Rep. Hunter

00:30:33      **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bennett and Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

00:30:53

**Motion/Vote:** Rep. Knudsen moved that **LC 5657 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**  
Motion carried 15-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Hunter voting no. Rep. Bennett,  
Rep. Hollenbaugh and Rep. McClafferty voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:31:54

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Marissa Stockton, Secretary

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([ruh00aad.pdf](#))**