

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Miller, on January 11, 2013 at 8:30 AM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Miller, Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Douglas Coffin (D)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Kris Hansen (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Megan Moore, Legislative Branch
Rebecca Shaw, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 19, 1/7/2013; HB 32, 1/7/2013; HB 35, 1/7/2013

HEARING ON HB 35**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:12:57 Rep.. Mike Miller (R), HD 84, opened the hearing on HB 35, Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:05 Rep. Schwaderer

00:14:17 Chairman Miller

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:42 Chairman Miller

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 35

00:15:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 35 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:19:41 Rep. Flynn

00:21:25 Rep. Pomnichowski

00:21:53 Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:22:27 Rep. Williams

00:23:05 Chairman Miller

00:23:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 35 be placed on consent calendar**. Motion failed 18-2 by voice vote with Rep. McClafferty and Rep. Williams voting no.

00:24:41 Recess

00:35:08 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 19

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:22 Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 19, Revise penalty and interest provisions related to tax law enforcement.

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:28 George Olsen, CPA

00:43:11 Gene Walborn, Department of Revenue (DOR)

00:53:50 Chad Sigafos, Citizen

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a03\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:57:58 Rep. Coffin

00:59:28 George Walborn, DOR

00:59:50 Rep. Coffin

01:00:21 George Walborn, DOR

01:02:20 Rep. Coffin

01:02:50 George Walborn, DOR

01:03:11 Rep. Pomnichowski

01:03:36 George Walborn, DOR

01:04:24 Rep. Williams

01:04:56 George Walborn, DOR

01:05:06 Rep. Coffin

01:05:40 Rep. Hollandsworth

01:06:52 Rep. Coffin

01:07:26 Rep. Hollandsworth

Closing by Sponsor:

01:07:57 Rep. Hollandsworth

HEARING ON HB 32

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:08:20 Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 32, Clarify the distribution of in-state lodging taxes paid by state agencies.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:10:54 Steve Austin, DOR

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:13:09 Rep. Hanson

01:13:47 Steve Austin, DOR

01:15:10 Rep. Hanson

01:15:28 Steve Austin, DOR

01:15:44 Rep. White

01:16:19 Steve Austin, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:21 Rep. Hollandsworth

Introductions of Agencies

01:18:20 Holly Fran, Montana Society of Certified Public Accountants
01:21:31 George Olson, Montana Society of Certified Public Accountants
01:26:01 Mark Haggerty, Headwaters Economics

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah05a06\)](#)

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[EXHIBIT\(tah05a11\)](#)

01:36:18 Tara Veazey, Executive Director, Montana Budget and Policy Center
01:39:21 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers' Association
01:41:34 Mike Green, Attorney, Crowley Fleck Law Firm
01:51:19 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:52:28 Mark Haggerty, Headwaters Economics
01:53:04 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:53:22 Mark Haggerty, Headwaters Economics
01:55:23 Rep. Schwaderer
01:55:57 Tara Veazey, Montana Budget and Policy Center

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:
01:57:02

Rebecca Shaw, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah05aad.pdf](#))