

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

Call to Order: Chair Dave Lewis, on February 5, 2013 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317A & B Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dave Lewis, Chair (R)
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Keith Regier (R)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Ron Arthun (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Services Division
Mary Ann Mackay, Committee Secretary
Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division
Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division, Legal
Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division, Legal
Shawn Graham, Office of Budget and Program Planning

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 167, 1/31/2013; HB 253, 1/31/2013; HB 320, 1/31/2013
Executive Action on HB 320

00:14:30 Chair Lewis

[EXHIBIT\(jph25a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jph25a02\)](#)

00:14:47 Sen Facey arrived.

HEARING ON HB 167

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:15:51 Rep. Bryce Bennett (D), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 167, Generally revise the teachers' retirement system.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:21 Diane Fladmo, Research Director, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

00:21:53 David Senn, Executive Director, Teachers Retirement Board (TRB)

00:24:12 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:25:26 Sen. Facey

00:26:07 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:27:02 Sen. Facey

00:27:20 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:27:31 Sen. Facey

00:27:53 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:28:09 Sen. Jent

00:28:25 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:28:29 Sen. Jent

00:28:42 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:29:00 Sen. Jent

00:29:03 Chair Lewis

00:29:18 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:29:34 Chair Lewis

00:29:41 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:29:56 Chair Lewis

00:29:59 Mr. Senn, TRB

00:30:10 Chair Lewis

00:30:25 Mr. Senn, TRB

Closing by Sponsor:

00:30:57 Rep. Bennett

HEARING ON HB 320

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:31:53 Rep. Bryce Bennett (D), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 320, Change name of optional retirement system.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:33:20 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT
00:33:41 Mick Robinson, Montana University System (MUS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:21 Chair Lewis

Closing by Sponsor:

00:34:29 Rep. Bennett

HEARING ON HB 253

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:04 Rep. Bill McChesney (D), HD 40, opened the hearing on HB 253, Increase contributions to the U-System's Optional Retirement Program.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:36:36 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

[EXHIBIT\(jph25a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jph25a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jph25a05\)](#)

00:48:04 Marilyn Besich, Program Director, Business Administration Degrees, Great Falls College

Comments:

00:54:09 Chair Lewis

Informational Testimony:

00:55:05 Mr. Robinson, Montana University System (MUS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:55:18 Chair Lewis

00:55:38 Mr. Robinson, MUS

Informational Testimony:

00:56:53 Mr. Senn, TRB

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:57:27 Sen. Arthun

00:58:08 Rep. McChesney

00:58:26 Chair Lewis

00:58:33 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

00:59:17 Sen. Arthun

00:59:37 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

01:00:14 Rep. Glimm

01:01:14 Mr. Senn

01:02:03 Chair Lewis

01:03:14 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

01:04:06 Chair Lewis

01:04:39 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

01:07:01 Chair Lewis

01:07:52 Sen. Facey
01:08:17 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT
01:08:25 Sen Facey
01:08:30 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT
01:08:33 Sen Facey
01:08:36 Ms. Fladmo, MEA-MFT

EXHIBIT(jph25a06)

01:09:49 Chair Lewis

Closing by Sponsor:

01:10:13 Rep. McChesney

01:11:16 Chair Lewis

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 320

01:11:39 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **HB 320 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Committee Business:

01:12:02 Chair Lewis

01:12:13 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

01:13:25 Chair Lewis

EXHIBIT(jph25a07)

01:13:49 Sen. Facey

01:14:33 Chair Lewis

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:14:40

Mary Ann Mackay, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jph25aad.pdf](#))