

## MINUTES

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

#### JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Dave Lewis, on February 12, 2013 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317A & B  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

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

**Members Excused:** Sen. Larry Jent (D)

**House State Administration Members Present:**

Rep. Pat Ingraham, Chair (R)  
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)  
Rep. Pat Connell (R)  
Rep. Doug Kary (R)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)  
Rep. Ray Shaw (R)  
Rep. Forestina (Frosty) Calf Boss Ribs (D)  
Rep. Clarena Brockie (D)  
Rep. Joanne Blyton (R)  
Rep. Jean Price (D)  
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)  
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)  
Rep. Dave Howard (R)  
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)  
Rep. Frankie Wilmer (D)  
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)

**Senate State Administration Members Present:**

Sen. Ron Arthun (R)

Sen. Scott Sales (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Dee Brown (R)  
Sen. Alex Blewett (D)  
Sen. Larry Jent (D)  
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)  
Sen. Roger Webb (R)

**Staff Present:** Dave Bohyer, Legislative Services Division  
Mary Ann Mackay, Committee Secretary  
Patty Hartman, Committee Secretary  
Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division  
Ginger Aldrich, 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:**

PEW Center on the States report on the status and challenges facing Montana Pensions Systems

House State Administration Committee and Senate State Administration Committee joined Select Committee On Pensions for presentation.

00:13:47 Chair Lewis  
 00:18:19 Rep. Hertz arrived.  
 00:19:05 Sen. Jent arrived.

**PEW Center on the States Report on the Statues and Challenges facing Montana's Pension System**

00:20:15 David Drain, Lead Researcher, PEW Charitable Trusts on Public Section and Retiree Health Care

[EXHIBIT\(jph31a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jph31a02\)](#)

00:27:00 Rep. McChesney left.  
 00:30:06 Rep. Bangerter arrived.  
 00:32:56 Sen. Jent left.  
 00:38:46 Chair Lewis

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:39:03 Rep. Regier  
 00:39:11 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:41:04 Sen. Facey  
 00:41:13 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:42:41 Sen. Facey  
 00:43:02 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:44:47 Sen. Vincent  
 00:45:15 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:45:30 Chair Lewis  
 00:46:02 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:46:47 Sen. Arthun  
 00:46:59 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:47:02 Sen Arthun  
 00:47:25 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:48:18 Rep. Brockie  
 00:48:27 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:49:27 Rep. Hertz  
 00:50:28 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:52:02 Rep. Boss Ribs  
 00:52:11 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:52:42 Sen. Lewis  
 00:52:46 Sen. Sales  
 00:53:19 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:54:44 Rep. Harris  
 00:55:26 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:57:26 Sen. Arthun  
 00:57:33 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 00:58:38 Sen. Arthun  
 00:58:42 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 01:01:24 Sen. Facey  
 01:01:38 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 01:02:58 Sen. Facey  
 01:03:04 Mr. Drain, PEW  
 01:03:06 Sen. Facey

01:03:25 Rep. Glimm  
01:06:20 President Essmann  
01:07:45 Mr. Drain, PEW  
01:09:30 President Essmann  
01:09:41 Mr. Drain, PEW  
01:09:52 Chair Lewis  
01:10:08 Mr. Drain, PEW  
01:10:15 Chair Lewis  
  
01:10:50 Gary Buchanan, Self  
[EXHIBIT\(jph31a03\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(jph31a04\)](#)  
01:18:01 Rep. McChesney returned.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:20:14 Rep. Regier  
01:20:25 Mr. Buchanan  
01:20:33 Rep. Connell  
01:21:01 Mr. Buchanan  
01:21:26 Chair Lewis  
01:22:13 Mr. Buchanan  
01:23:31 Sen. Sales  
01:23:39 Mr. Buchanan  
01:24:45 Sen. Sales  
01:24:49 Mr. Buchanan  
01:25:07 Rep Harris  
01:25:45 Mr. Buchanan  
01:26:31 Chair Lewis  
01:26:36 Rep. Cook  
01:27:08 Mr. Buchanan  
01:27:43 Rep. Harris  
01:28:23 Mr. Buchanan  
01:29:06 Chair Lewis  
01:29:12 Sen. Facey  
01:29:27 Mr. Buchanan  
01:29:31 Sen. Facey  
01:29:57 Mr. Buchanan  
01:30:01 Sen. Facey  
01:30:03 Mr. Buchanan  
01:30:05 Sen. Facey  
01:30:40 Mr. Buchanan  
01:31:45 Sen. Facey  
01:31:58 Rep. Washburn  
01:32:12 Mr. Buchanan  
01:33:11 Sen. Jent returned.  
01:33:13 Chair Lewis

**Comments:**

01:33:45 Sen. Jon Sesso, SD 37, Butte

01:35:43 Rep. Cook left.

01:40:43 Chair Lewis

**EXHIBIT(jph31a05)**

01:41:02 Rep. Cook returned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:42:16

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Mary Ann Mackay, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jph31aad.pdf](#))**