

## MINUTES

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

### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Pat Ingraham, on February 18, 2013 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Pat Ingraham, Chair (R)  
Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Ted Washburn, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)  
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)  
Rep. Clarena Brockie (D)  
Rep. Forrestina (Frosty) Calf Boss Ribs (D)  
Rep. Pat Connell (R)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)  
Rep. David Howard (R)  
Rep. Doug Kary (R)  
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)  
Rep. Jean Price (D)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)  
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)  
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Patty Hartman, Committee Secretary  
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

**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 466, 2/15/2013; HB 491, 2/15/2013; HJ 12, 2/15/2013  
Executive Action: HJ 12

**HEARING ON HJ 12**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:16:15 Rep. Mark Blasdel (R), HD 10, opened the hearing on HJ 12, Resolution in support of Taiwan.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:18:24 Mark Bisom, Bureau Chief, International Trade and Relations Bureau, Business Resources Division, Department of Commerce (COMM)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:19:45 Rep. Harris  
00:20:33 Mark Bisom, COMM  
00:21:16 Rep. Bangerter  
00:21:32 Mark Bisom, COMM  
00:21:57 Rep. Wilmer  
00:22:40 Rep. Blasdel  
00:23:03 Rep. Wilmer  
00:23:32 Mark Bisom, COMM  
00:24:22 Rep. Wilmer  
00:24:39 Mark Bisom, COMM  
00:24:46 Rep. Calf Boss Ribs  
00:25:22 Rep. Bangerter  
00:25:47 Rep. Blasdel

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:26:08 Rep. Blasdel

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 12**

00:26:45 **Motion:** Rep. O'Hara moved that **HJ 12 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

00:27:10 Rep. Wilmer  
00:27:36 Rep. B. Bennett

00:27:54 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Vance voted aye by proxy.

**HEARING ON HB 466**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:28:36 Rep. Joanne Blyton (R), HD 59, opened the hearing on HB 466, Revising process to rotate candidate names on ballots.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:31:25 Linda Stoll, Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders and Elections  
Administrators (MACR)  
00:39:08 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:39:42 Rep. O'Hara  
00:40:16 Linda Stoll, MACR  
00:40:53 Rep. Wilmer  
00:41:45 Linda Stoll, MACR  
00:42:21 Rep. Connell  
00:42:56 Rep. Blyton

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:43:14 Rep. Blyton

**HEARING ON HB 491**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:45:26 Rep. Bryce Bennett (D), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 491, Prohibit  
individual or candidate from paying fines from campaign account.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:48:15 Rep. Washburn  
00:48:47 Rep. B. Bennett

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:49:14 Rep. B. Bennett

**Discussion:**

00:50:28 Rep. Ingraham  
00:50:35 Sheri Scurr, LSD

**EXHIBIT(sth36a01)**

00:51:19 Rep. Ingraham

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:52:40

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Patty Hartman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([sth36aad.pdf](#))**