

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Steve Lavin, on March 15, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Lavin, Chair (R)
Rep. Lee Randall, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Carolyn Squires, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Forrestina (Frosty) Boss Ribs (D)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Reilly Neill (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Tia Hunter, Committee Secretary

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 585, 3/11/2013; SB 182, 3/8/2013
Executive Action: SB 116, SB 275, SB 314

00:07:43 Chairman Lavin

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 314

00:07:58 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 314 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:08:14 Rep. Bangerter

00:08:51 Rep. Wilson

00:09:01 Rep. Randall

00:10:03 Rep. Clark

00:10:37 Rep. Smith

00:10:54 Rep. Randall withdrew the BE CONCURRED IN motion. Without objection.

Discussion:

00:11:01 Rep. Bangerter

00:11:18 Chairman Lavin

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 116

00:11:26 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 116 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:11:48 Chairman Lavin

00:11:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Neill voted by proxy. Rep. Randall will carry the bill.

Discussion:

00:12:07 Rep. Squires

00:12:38 Rep. O'Neil

00:12:42 Rep. Randall

00:12:47 Rep. Squires

00:12:49 Rep. Randall

00:13:04 Rep. Squires

00:13:07 Rep. Randall

00:13:11 Rep. Squires

00:13:19 Chairman Lavin

00:13:23 Rep. Wilson

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 275

00:13:34 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 275 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:14:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 275 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Neill voted by proxy.

[EXHIBIT\(trh56a01\)](#)

00:14:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 275 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Neill voted by proxy. Rep. Clark will carry the bill.

Discussion:

00:15:05 Chairman Lavin
00:15:10 Rep. Clark
00:15:15 Chairman Lavin
00:15:26 Rep. O'Neil left.
00:15:35 Rep. Squires
00:15:37 Rep. Randall
00:15:39 Chairman Lavin
00:15:43 Rep. Squires
00:15:45 Chairman Lavin

00:15:54 Recessed
00:28:17 Rep. Wilson left.
00:29:12 Rep. Clark left.
00:36:34 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 585

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:37:13 Rep. Brian Hoven (R), HD 24, opened the hearing on HB 585, Revise rental car tax.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:41:03 Jim Helgeson, General Manager, Great Falls Transit District (GFT)
00:44:28 Lyn Hellegaard, Executive Director, Montana Transit Association (MTA)
00:50:50 Dan Harrington, Community Liaison, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)

EXHIBIT(trh56a02)

00:52:46 Shyla Patera, Self, and Montana's four Centers for Independent Living
00:57:33 George Northcutt, Self, and North Central Independent Living Services (NCILS)
00:58:16 Mark Sanders, Self, and NCILS
00:59:28 Michael Tree, General Manager, Missoula Urban Transportation District (MUTD)
01:01:58 Lee Hazelbaker, Bozeman Area Transportation

Opponents' Testimony:

01:03:17 Dave Solano, General Manager, Enterprise Rent-A-Car

EXHIBIT(trh56a03)

01:07:01 Bruce Spencer, Property Casualty Insurers Association of America (PCI), Allstate Insurance, and representing Jacqueline Lenmark, American Insurance Association (AIA), Greg Van Horssen, State Farm Insurance Companies, and Dwight Easton, Farmers Insurance Group

Informational Testimony:

01:08:24 Lynn Zanto, Administrator, Rail, Transit, and Planning Division, Department of Transportation (MDT)
01:08:39 Gene Walborn, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:09:00 Rep. Bangerter
 01:09:48 Mr. Walborn, DOR
 01:10:17 Rep. Bangerter
 01:10:47 Ms. Zanto, MDT
 01:11:30 Rep. Bangerter
 01:11:55 Mr. Spencer, PCI
 01:12:35 Rep. Squires
 01:13:03 Rep. Fiscus
 01:13:27 Mr. Harrington, AARP
 01:13:46 Rep. Smith
 01:14:20 Mr. Tree, MUTD
 01:14:34 Rep. Smith
 01:14:44 Mr. Tree, MUTD
 01:15:13 Ms. Hellegaard, MTA
 01:16:03 Rep. Smith
 01:16:21 Ms. Hellegaard, MTA
 01:16:27 Rep. Smith
 01:16:31 Ms. Hellegaard, MTA
 01:17:01 Chairman Lavin
 01:17:25 Mr. Solano, Enterprise Rent-A-Car

Closing by Sponsor:

01:18:06 Rep. Hoven

HEARING ON SB 182

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:23:58 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 182, Generally revise automobile dealer franchise laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:25:55 Don Kaltschmidt, Owner, Don "K" Chevrolet
 01:29:39 Steve Zabawa, Co-owner, Rimrock Auto Group
 01:35:02 Bruce Spencer, Attorney, Montana Automobile Dealers Association (MTADA)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:39:44 Mona Jamison, General Motors (GM)
[EXHIBIT\(trh56a04\)](#)
 01:43:05 John MacDonald, Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
[EXHIBIT\(trh56a05\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:47:45 Chairman Lavin
 01:47:50 Mr. Spencer, MTADA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:50:49 Sen. Sonju

01:51:17 Chairman Lavin

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 314

01:52:30 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 314 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Clark, Rep. Neill, Rep. O'Neil and Rep. Wilson voted by proxy.

01:53:08 Chairman Lavin

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:54:12

Tia Hunter, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh56aad.pdf](#))