

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

**Call to Order:** Chair Rick Ripley, on January 17, 2013 at 4:30 P.M., in Room 317 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Rick Ripley, Chair (R)  
Sen. Edward Walker, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)  
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)  
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)  
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Llew Jones (R)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)  
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)  
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)  
Sen. Alan Olson (R)  
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)  
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)  
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)  
Sen. Roger Webb (R)  
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)  
Sen. Jason Priest (R)  
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary  
Taryn Purdy, 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: SB 117, 1/14/2013; HB 1, 1/14/2013;

Executive Action: HB 1 Be Concurred In

**HEARING ON SB 117**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:10:53 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 117, Allow deducitons for other state college savings plans.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:12:36 Dan Sullivan, Sullivan Financial Group, National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA)

00:16:48 Sean McQuillan, Montana Public Interest Group (MontPING)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:**

00:17:35 Amy Berry, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:17:57 Sen. Buttrey

00:18:32 Mr. Sullivan, NAIFA

00:20:04 Sen. Brown

00:20:25 Mr. Sullivan

00:20:34 Sen. Brown

00:20:51 Mr. Sullivan

00:22:11 Sen. Brown

00:22:31 Ms. Berry, OCHE

00:23:28 Sen. Windy Boy

00:23:49 Ms. Berry

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:24:48 Sen. Sonju

**HEARING ON HB 1**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:25:32 Rep. Duane Ankney (R), HD 43, opened the hearing on HB 1, Feed bill.

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**Proponents' Testimony:** None.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:**

00:29:20 Susan Byorth Fox, Director, Legislative Services Division

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None.

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:30:40 Rep. Ankney

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 1**

00:31:28 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 1 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 17-0 by voice vote. Sen. Jones, Sen. Priest, and Sen. Sesso were excused. Sen. Lewis will carry the bill.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 5:38 p.m.

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Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([fcs09aad.pdf](#))**