

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Ron Arthun, on February 15, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Ron Arthun, Chair (R)  
Sen. Dee Brown, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Scott Sales (R)  
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)  
Sen. Roger Webb (R)

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

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary  
Rachel Weiss, 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 110, 2/11/2013; SB 277, 2/11/2013; SJ 12, 2/11/2013

Executive Action: SB 261, Tabled  
SB 205, Motion Withdrawn  
SB 206, Motion Withdrawn  
SB 227, Re-Referred to Select Committee on Pensions  
SB 241, Motion Withdrawn

**HEARING ON SB 277**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:20:00 Sen. Jim Peterson (R), SD 15, opened the hearing on SB 277, Provide board of ethics to appoint commissioner of political practices.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:30:47 Mary Baker, Program Supervisor, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:31:12 Sen. Webb  
00:31:31 Sen. Peterson  
00:33:57 Sen. Brown  
00:34:45 Sen. Peterson  
00:36:03 Sen. Sales  
00:38:04 Sen. Peterson  
00:38:27 Mary Baker, COPP  
00:39:00 Sen. Van Dyk  
00:39:28 Mary Baker  
00:39:36 Sen. Sales  
00:40:19 Sen. Peterson  
00:41:35 Chairman Arthun  
00:42:22 Sen. Peterson  
00:42:44 Chairman Arthun

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:43:11 Sen. Peterson

**HEARING ON HB 110**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:44:02 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 110, Requiring consideration of guiding principles that have tribal implications.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:45:56 Dustin Monroe, Western Native Voice (WNV)  
00:47:51 Shane Morigeau, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribe (CSKT)

**[EXHIBIT\(sts34a01\)](#)**

00:49:56 Jason Smith, Director of Indian Affairs (DIA)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:50:35 Sen. Brown  
00:53:02 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
00:53:19 Chairman Arthun  
00:53:47 Jason Smith, DIA  
00:54:44 Chairman Arthun  
00:54:52 Rep. Pease-Lopez

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:56:11 Rep. Pease -Lopez

**HEARING ON SJ 12**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:57:53 Sen. Mike Phillips (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SJ 12, Study resolution of use of quick response codes at state sites.

[EXHIBIT\(sts34a02\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

01:03:00 Chas Van Genderen, Parks Division Administrator, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(sts34a03\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:04:28 Sen. Brown  
01:04:38 Chas Van Genderen, FWP  
01:04:56 Sen. Brown  
01:05:45 Chas Van Genderen

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:06:15 Sen. Phillips

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 261**

01:08:51 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 261 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blewett and Sen. Jent voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(sts34a04)**

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 205**

01:10:01 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 205 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:10:09 Sen. Sales

01:10:25 Rachel Weiss, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

01:10:40 Sen. Sales

01:10:46 Chairman Arthun

01:11:05 Sen. Sales

01:11:17 Rachel Weiss, LSD

01:11:25 Sen. Sales

01:11:32 Chairman Arthun

01:11:36 Without objection, Sen. D. Brown withdrew the DO PASS motion.

**Discussion:**

01:11:46 Sen. Webb

01:12:00 Rachel Weiss

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 206**

01:12:52 **Motion:** Sen. Van Dyk moved that **SB 206 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:12:59 Sen. Van Dyk

01:14:05 Chairman Arthun

01:14:19 Sen. Webb

01:14:33 Chairman Arthun

01:14:40 Sen. Van Dyk

01:15:05 Sen. Webb

01:15:14 Chairman Arthun

01:15:39 Sen. Brown

01:15:56 Sen. Van Dyk

01:16:21 Rachel Weiss

01:16:49 Chairman Arthun

01:16:53 Sen. Van Dyk

01:17:08 Without objection, Sen. Van Dyk withdrew the DO PASS motion.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 227**

01:17:44 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 227 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

01:17:59 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:18:15 Sen. Brown  
01:18:32 Chairman Arthun  
01:18:58 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:20:08 Sen. Brown  
01:21:00 Sen. Sales  
01:22:57 Sen. Brown  
01:23:18 Sen. Webb  
01:23:28 Chairman Arthun  
01:23:37 Sen. Webb  
01:23:46 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:24:28 Sen. Sales  
01:25:43 Sen. Brown  
01:26:37 Chairman Arthun

01:27:38 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Brown, Sen. Sales and Sen. Webb voting aye. Sen. Blewett and Sen. Jent voted by proxy.

**Discussion:**

01:28:16 Chairman Arthun  
01:28:21 Sen. Sales  
01:28:28 Chairman Arthun  
01:28:32 Rachel Weiss  
01:28:59 Sen. Brown  
01:29:08 Rachel Weiss  
01:29:21 Chairman Arthun  
01:29:37 Rachel Weiss

01:30:08 **Motion:** Sen. Sales moved to **RE-REFER SB 227 TO THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS.**

**Discussion:**

01:30:25 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:30:34 Sen. Sales  
01:30:50 Rachel Weiss  
01:30:56 Chairman Arthun  
01:31:15 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:31:25 Chairman Arthun

01:31:35 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Jent and Sen. Blewett voted by proxy.

**Discussion on SB 206:**

01:32:00 Rachel Weiss  
01:33:08 Chairman Arthun

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 241**

01:33:37 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 241 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

01:33:52 Sen. Brown  
01:34:25 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:34:39 Chairman Arthun  
01:35:02 Sen. Sales  
01:36:19 Chairman Arthun  
01:36:24 Sen. Sales  
01:36:33 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:37:07 Chairman Arthun  
01:37:22 Rachel Weiss  
01:37:44 Sen. Sales  
01:38:06 Chairman Arthun  
01:38:13 Sen. Van Dyk  
01:38:33 Chairman Arthun

01:38:44 Without objection, Sen. D. Brown withdrew motion SB 241 DO PASS.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:20 P.M.

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Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([sts34aad.pdf](#))**