

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Taylor Brown, on March 12, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Scott Boulanger (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Terry Murphy (R)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch
Elizabeth Whiting, 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 395, 3/8/2013; HB 399, 3/8/2013

Executive Action: SB 226 - Do Pass
HB 399 - Be Concurred In

00:15:23 Sen. Brown left the meeting. Vice Chair Moore assumed duties as Chairman.

HEARING ON HB 399

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:18 Rep. Nancy Ballance (R), HD 89, opened the hearing on HB 399, Allow sale of eggs at farmer's market.

[EXHIBIT\(ags53a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags53a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags53a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:17:50 Christian Mackay, Executive Officer, Department of Livestock (DOL)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:22 Sen. Boulanger
00:19:03 Rep. Balance
00:19:14 Sen. Moore
00:19:33 Christian Mackay, DOL
00:21:36 Sen. Moore
00:21:43 Christian Mackay

Closing by Sponsor:

00:21:59 Rep. Balance

HEARING ON HB 395

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:22:30 Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R), HD 77, opened the hearing on HB 395, Revising membership of livestock loss board.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:30 Jim Brown, Montana Wool Growers Association (MWGA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:30:04 Ken McDonald, Wildlife Division Administrator, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(ags53a04\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

00:35:38 George Edwards, Executive Secretary, Livestock Loss Board (LLB)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:36:39 Sen. Phillips
00:37:17 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:38:11 Sen. Phillips
00:39:22 Ken McDonald
00:39:33 Sen. Phillips
00:39:54 Jim Brown, MWGA
00:40:57 Sen. Malek
00:43:25 Rep. Wagoner
00:43:51 Sen. Malek
00:47:08 Ken McDonald
00:48:27 Sen. Moore
00:48:46 Ken McDonald
00:49:05 George Edwards, LLB
00:50:37 Sen. Boulanger
00:51:24 Sen. Taylor
00:52:11 George Edwards
00:52:32 Sen. Moore

Closing by Sponsor:

00:52:43 Rep. Kirk Wagoner

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 226

00:56:32 **Motion:** Sen. Murphy moved that **SB 226 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:57:00 Sen. Moore
EXHIBIT(ags53a05)
00:58:31 Sen. Caferro
01:00:42 Sen. Moore
01:01:50 Sen. Taylor
01:02:27 Sen. Moore
01:02:49 Sen. Phillips
01:04:14 Sen. Moore
01:04:42 Sen. Malek
01:04:53 Sen. Moore

01:05:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-1 by voice vote with Sen. Stewart-Peregoy voting no. Sen. Brown voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 399

01:06:05

Motion/Vote: Sen. Sales moved that **HB 399 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Brown voted by proxy. Sen. Sales will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:53 p.m.

Elizabeth Whiting, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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