

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Jim Peterson, on April 10, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Peterson, Chair (R)
Sen. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch
Elizabeth Whiting, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 447, 4/5/2013

Executive Action SR 44 Be Adopted
SR 45 Be Adopted
SR 31 Be Adopted As Amended
SR 33 Be Tabled

HEARING ON HB 447

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:21:01 Rep. Rae Peppers (D), HD 41, opened the hearing on HB 447, Provide higher education scholarships for Montana Purple Heart recipients.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:25:00 Jim Higgins, Montana National Guard (MNG)
00:28:34 Dan Antonietti, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
00:29:34 Rep. Bridget Smith (D), HD 31

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:30:09 Sen. Brown
00:30:48 Jim Higgins, MNG
00:31:36 Sen. Brown
00:31:52 Jim Higgins
00:32:26 Sen. Moore
00:32:50 Jim Higgins
00:33:26 Chairman Peterson
00:33:35 Rep. Peppers
00:33:54 Sen. Moore
00:34:32 Chairman Peterson
00:35:06 Rep. Peppers
00:35:11 Chairman Peterson
00:35:17 Rep. Peppers
00:35:23 Sen. Jones
00:35:40 Rep. Peppers
00:35:48 Sen. Jones
00:35:58 Rep. Peppers
00:36:07 Chairman Peterson
00:36:35 Jim Higgins
00:36:58 Chairman Peterson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:19 Rep. Peppers

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 44

00:41:19 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 44 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:41:51 Sen. Windy Boy

00:43:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Facey and Sen. Lewis were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 45

00:43:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 45 BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Facey and Sen. Lewis were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 33

00:44:24 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 33 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Facey and Sen. Lewis were excused.

Discussion:

00:44:38 Sen. Windy Boy
00:45:27 Chairman Peterson
00:46:14 Sen. Windy Boy
00:46:39 Sen. Brown
00:47:11 Chairman Peterson
00:47:58 Sen. Windy Boy
00:48:10 Chairman Peterson
00:49:06 Sen. Driscoll
00:49:27 Chairman Peterson

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 31

00:50:26 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 31 BE ADOPTED.**

00:50:28 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 31 BE AMENDED.**
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00:51:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Facey and Sen. Lewis were excused.

Discussion:

00:51:40 Chairman Peterson

00:51:57 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SR 31 BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Facey and Sen. Lewis were excused.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:35 pm

Elizabeth Whiting, Secretary

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