

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Miller, on February 4, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Miller, Chair (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Zach Brown (D)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Albert Olszewski (R)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Megan Moore, Legislative Branch
Erica Siate, Committee Secretary
Stephanie Morrison, 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 228, 1/28/2015, SB 6, 1/26/2015, SB 95, 1/26/2015

00:01:52 Chair Miller

HEARING ON HB 228

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:25 Rep. Tom Berry (R), HD 40, opened the hearing on HB 228, Increase coal board funding until June 30, 2019.
00:02:28 Rep. Zolnikov entered the meeting.
00:04:04 Rep. Z. Brown entered the meeting.
00:06:10 Rep. McClafferty entered the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:25 Sen. Ankney, District 20
00:12:44 Rep. Peppers, District 41
00:14:02 Bud Clinch, Executive Director, Montana Coal Council

EXHIBIT(tah25a01)

00:17:39 Rep. Jacobson entered the meeting.

EXHIBIT(tah25a02)

00:20:54 Robert Goffena, Musselshell County
00:23:28 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup

EXHIBIT(tah25a03)

00:25:35 Jim Atchison, Executive Director, Southeast Montana Development Council
00:26:47 Rep. Schwaderer entered the meeting.
00:27:57 Kathie Bailey, Executive Director, Snowy Mountain Development Corporation

EXHIBIT(tah25a04)

00:31:11 Jason Rittal, President, Montana Economic Development Association (MEDA) and Executive Director, Eastern Plains Development Corporation
00:32:31 Rep. Olszewski entered the meeting.
00:32:48 Lon Sibley, Fire Chief, City of Roundup

EXHIBIT(tah25a05)

00:33:51 Rep. Randall left the meeting.
00:34:39 Bob Gilbert, Dawson, Musselshell, Phillips and Rosebud Counties
00:37:46 Chad Sealey, Superintendent of Schools, City of Roundup
00:40:27 Rep. Custer, HD 39
00:42:06 Ed Bartlett, Billings Area Chamber of Commerce and Yellowstone County Commissioners

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:42:54 Rep. Zolnikov
00:43:23 Lon Sibley, Fire Chief, City of Roundup
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00:44:10 Lon Sibley, Fire Chief, City of Roundup
00:44:27 Rep. Zolnikov
00:44:51 Rep. Berry
00:46:25 Rep. Lieser
00:47:15 Gene Walborn, Department of Revenue (DOR)

00:47:29 Rep. Lieser
00:47:44 Rep. Berry
00:47:59 Rep. Lieser
00:48:12 Rep. Berry
00:48:30 Rep. Flynn
00:49:16 Bud Clinch, Executive Director, Montana Coal Council
00:51:13 Rep. Williams
00:51:50 Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:52:31 Rep. Williams
00:52:44 Rep. Berry
00:53:12 Rep. Williams
00:54:04 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup
00:55:03 Rep. Williams
00:55:17 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup
00:56:17 Rep. Williams
00:56:28 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup
00:56:34 Rep. Williams
00:56:41 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup
00:56:46 Rep. Williams
00:56:53 Sandra Jones, Mayor, Roundup
00:57:00 Rep. Williams
00:58:02 Rep. Berry
00:58:46 Rep. Williams
00:58:51 Rep. Jacobson left the meeting.
00:58:59 Rep. Berry
00:59:03 Rep. Williams
00:59:08 Rep. Berry

Closing by Sponsor:

00:59:21 Rep. Berry
00:59:54 Rep. Dunwell entered the meeting.

01:01:20 Rep. Zolnikov left the meeting.

HEARING ON SB 95

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:01:48 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 40, opened the hearing on SB 95, Revise laws related to multi-state tax compact advisory council.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:04:12 Gene Walborn, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:06:15 Chair Miller
01:06:27 Sen. Kaufmann

01:07:07 Chair Miller
01:07:19 Sen. Kaufmann
01:07:39 Gene Walborn, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

01:08:22 Sen. Kaufmann

HEARING ON SB 6

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:08:59 Sen. Fred Thomas (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 6, Clarify department of revenue's uniform dispute review procedures.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:12:24 Dan Whyte, Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Revenue (DOR)
01:16:53 Holly Franz, Montana Society of Certified Public Accountants

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:45 Sen. Thomas

01:18:12 Chair Miller
01:19:07 Rep. Schwaderer
01:19:18 Chair Miller

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:20:21

Erica Siate, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah25aad.pdf](#))