

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

**Call to Order:** Chair Ryan Osmundson, on February 12, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 350 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Ryan Osmundson, Chair (R)  
Sen. Janna Taylor, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)  
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)  
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)  
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch  
Phoebe Williams, 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:** Executive Action Department of Commerce and Department of Military Affairs

Department of Commerce

00:00:05 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division, (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(jgh32a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jgh32a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jgh32a03\)](#)

00:00:27 Chairman Osmundson

00:00:30 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Phillips moved **THE EXECUTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 PAY INCREASE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS.** Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

00:01:07 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **LONGEVITY AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS..** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:01:26 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **TO ADOPT FTE TRANSFERRED FROM GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:01:51 **Motion:** Sen. Blasdel moved that **INDIAN COUNTRY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS A ONE TIME ONLY RESTRICTED APPROPRIATION..**

Discussion:

00:02:07 Rep. McCarthy

00:02:55 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. McCarthy made a substitute motion **THAT INDIAN COUNTRY BE MOVED FROM A ONE TIME ONLY APPROPRIATION TO BE BASE.**

Discussion:

00:03:01 Sen. Phillips

00:03:44 Rep. Tschida

00:04:17 Rep. McCarthy

00:05:25 Sen. Phillips

00:06:00 **Vote:** Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

**Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

00:06:48 **Motion:** Sen. Blasdel moved **TO ADOPT MICRO BUSINESS LOANS APPROPRIATE TO ACTUALS. IT IS A DECREASE OF 1.45 MILLION EACH BIENNIUM.**

Discussion:

00:07:07 Rep. McCarthy

00:07:50 Sen. Phillips

00:08:02 Sonia Powell, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)  
00:08:17 Kris Wilkinson, LFD  
00:09:00 Rep. McCarthy

00:09:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 4-2 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting no.

00:09:55 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved that **NATIVE LANGUAGE PRESERVATION AS AN ONE-TIME ONLY RESTRICTED APPROPRIATION.** Motion carried unanimously.

00:10:09 **Motion:** Sen. Blasdel moved **PRIMARY BUSINESS SECTOR TRAINING AS AN ONE-TIME ONLY RESTRICTED APPROPRIATION.**

00:10:17 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. McCarthy made a substitute motion **TO MAKE PRIMARY BUSINESS SECTOR TRAINING AN ON-GOING APPROPRIATION.**

**Discussion:**

00:10:19 Rep. McCarthy  
00:11:48 Sen. Phillips

00:12:31 **Vote:** Substitute Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

00:12:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

00:13:37 **Motion:** Rep. McCarthy moved **ENHANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MONTANA AS A ONE-TIME ONLY APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$,2,880,000 IN 2016 AND \$2,880,000 IN 2017, WITH 130,000.00 RESTRICTED EACH YEAR OF THE BIENNIUM FOR THE EASTERN MONTANA POSITION OF MMEC.**

**Discussion**

00:14:00 Rep. McCarthy  
00:18:26 Chairman Osmundson

00:18:35 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-3 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy, Sen. Phillips and Rep. Tschida voting aye.

**Motion/Vote:** Rep. McCarthy moved the **OPERATING COST ADJUSTMENTS IN THE BUSINESS RESOURCES DIVISION.** Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

00:19:47 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McCarthy moved the **OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES CHANGES IN THE BUSINESS RESOURCES DIVISION.** Motion failed 2-4 with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

Community Development Division

00:21:02 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **CDBG GRANT REDUCTION FOR BOTH FEDERAL REVENUE AND GENERAL FUND.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:21:12 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved to **ADOPT OPERATING COST ADJUSTMENTS IN FEDERAL REVENUE.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:21:32 **Motion:** Sen. Blasdel moved to **ADOPT OTHER PERSONAL SERVICE CHANGES FOR FEDERAL REVENUE, GENERAL FUND AND STATE SPECIAL REVENUE.**

Discussion:

00:21:46 Sen. Phillips

00:21:52 Sen Blasdel

00:21:56 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:00 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved to **ADOPT REORGANIZATION OF GRANTS, OPERATING EXPENSES AND PERSONAL SERVICES UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:19 Chairman Osmundson

00:22:31 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

00:22:39 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Phillips moved to **ADOPT OPERATING COST ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION IN GENERAL FUND AND STATE SPECIAL REVENUE.** Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.

00:23:16 **Motion:** Rep. McCarthy moved **STATE BROADBAND PROGRAM FOR \$186,740.00 IN EACH YEAR OF THE BIENNIUM CONTINGENT ON PASSING OF HB 14.**

Discussion:

00:23:57 Rep. McCarthy

00:25:04 Chairman Osmundson

00:25:08 Rep. McCarthy

00:25:15 Chairman Osmundson

00:25:23 Sen. Taylor

00:25:34 Rep. McCarthy

00:26:20 Sen. Taylor

00:26:27 Rep. McCarthy

00:26:55 Chairman Osmundson

00:27:04 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

- 00:27:18 Chairman Osmundson
- 00:27:23 **Vote:** Motion failed 2-4 by roll call vote with Rep. McCarthy and Sen. Phillips voting aye.
- 00:27:49 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **TO ADOPT THE HOUSING DIVISION OPERATING COST ADJUSTMENTS, REORGANIZATION GRANTS, REORGANIZATION OPERATING EXPENSES AND REORGANIZATION OF PERSONAL SERVICES IN ITS ENTIRETY.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:28:09 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **TO ADOPT THE BOARD OF HORSE RACING IN ITS ENTIRETY EXCEPT FOR THE EXECUTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF 2015 PAY INCREASE.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:28:35 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
- 00:29:02 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved **ITO ADOPT THE PROPRIETARY RATES FOR THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS AND COMMERCE CENTRALIZED SERVICES.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:29:25 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Blasdel moved that **WITH THE EXCEPTION OF EXECUTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2015 PAY INCREASE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:29:42 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
- 00:30:53 Rep. McCarthy
- 00:31:02 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
- 00:31:05 Sen. Phillips

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:32:09

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Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jgh32aad.pdf](#))**