

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

**Call to Order:** Chair Tom Berry, on April 17, 2015 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Tom Berry, Chair (R)  
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Christy Clark (R)  
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)  
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)  
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)  
Rep. Mike Lang (R)  
Rep. David (Doc) Moore (R)  
Rep. Mark Noland (R)  
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)  
Rep. Tom Richmond (R)  
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)  
Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Tom Steenberg (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary  
Pat Murdo, 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:**

Executive Action: SB 244

00:00:01 Chairman Berry

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 244**

00:01:19 **Motion:** Rep. Salomon moved that **SB 244 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

**Discussion:**

00:01:29 Chairman Berry

00:01:32 Sen. Dee Brown

00:02:49 Rep. Cuffe

00:10:00 Chairman Berry

00:10:55 Rep. Welborn

00:11:42 Rep. Fitzpatrick left the meeting.

00:12:29 Rep. Staffanson

00:13:20 Rep. Hunter

00:13:26 Chairman Berry

00:13:48 Rep. Hunter

00:14:01 Rep. Kipp

00:16:05 Rep. Noland

00:16:38 Rep. Fitzpatrick returned.

00:18:26 Rep. Hunter

00:19:32 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Clark, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Lang, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Salomon and Rep. Steenberg voting no. Rep. Steenberg voted by proxy.

00:20:52 Rep. Olsen

00:22:26 Rep. Lang

00:22:59 Sen. Dee Brown

00:23:36 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:24:14 Rep. Steenberg arrived.

00:24:16 Chairman Berry

00:24:21 Sen. Brown

00:24:28 Rep. Pierson

00:24:33 Chairman Berry

00:24:36 Rep. Pope

00:25:25 Rep. Lynch

00:25:59 Rep. Noland

00:26:53 Rep. Kipp

00:30:35 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Berry moved that **SB 244 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion failed 9-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Berry, Rep. Kipp, Rep. Lang, Rep. D. Moore, Rep. Noland, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Ricci, Rep. Richmond and Rep. Welborn voting aye.

00:31:39 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Salomon moved that **SB 244 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:31:46 Chairman Berry  
00:31:58 Rep. Cuffe  
00:32:55 Karen Armstrong, Secretary  
00:33:41 Pat Murdo, LSD  
00:34:12 Rep. Lynch  
00:34:42 Pat Murdo, LSD  
00:35:13 Chairman Berry  
00:35:32 Rep. Welborn

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:36:13

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Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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