

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT COMMITTEE ON RULES

Call to Order: Chair Matthew M. Rosendale Sr, on December 3, 2014 at 8:04 A.M., in Room 317-A Capitol

SENATE ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr, Chair (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)
Sen. Fred Thomas (R)
Sen. Cynthia Wolken (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Dick Barrett (D)

Members Absent: None

HOUSE ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jeff Essmann, Chair (R)
Rep. Jerry Bennett, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Chuck Hunter, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (R)
Rep. Jenny Eck (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Lee Randall (R) (arrived late)
Rep. Keith Regier (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Art Wittich (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D) (arrived late)

Members Excused:

Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)
Rep. Margie MacDonald (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Todd Everts, Legislative Branch
Nadine Spencer, Senate 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:

Joint Rules LCJRUL

EXPLANATION OF THE JOINT RULES COMMITTEE PROCESS

00:01:41 Chairman Rosendale

00:04:45 Sen. Moore

00:04:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Moore moved to allow proxy votes in the Senate. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:05:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hunter moved to allow proxy votes in the House. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting.

00:06:00 Chairman Rosendale

REVIEW OF LCJRUL AND THE PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL JOINT RULE CHANGES

00:06:25 Todd Everts, chief legal counsel, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

[EXHIBIT\(rus00a01\)](#)

Proponents None

Opponents None

Committee questions and discussion

00:12:26 Sen. Moe

00:13:08 Mr. Everts, LSD

00:13:26 Sen. Moe

00:13:47 Mr. Everts

00:14:08 Sen. Phillips

00:14:54 Mr. Everts

00:15:12 Rep. Essmann

00:16:04 Sen. Phillips

00:16:20 Chairman Rosendale

00:16:29 **Motion:** Sen. Phillips moved a conceptual amendment to strike the first six words in chapter 30-60, subsection (2) on page 13.

Committee questions and discussion

00:17:09 Sen. Thomas

00:18:53 Sen. Phillips

00:19:49 Rep. Hunter

00:20:48 Rep. Wittich

00:22:47 Sen. Phillips

00:23:00 Mr. Everts

00:23:50 Sen. Phillips withdrew his motion.

00:24:11 Chairman Rosendale

00:24:21 The members of the House that were present voted unanimously by voice vote to support LCJRUL.

00:24:35 The members of the Senate that were present voted unanimously by voice vote to support LCJRUL.

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON LCJRUL AND ANY OTHER PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

00:24:55 Chairman Rosendale

00:25:37 Rep. Essmann

00:25:56 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved **TO ADOPT AMENDMENT LCJRUL02.ATE. EXHIBIT(rus00a02)**

Proponents None

Opponents None

Committee questions and discussion

00:27:57 Rep. Wittich

00:28:20 Rep. Essmann

00:28:49 **Vote:** The motion carried unanimously by voice vote in both the House and the Senate by those present and voting.

00:29:20 Rep. Bennett

00:29:42 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved **TO ADOPT AMENDMENT LCJRUL03.ATE. EXHIBIT(rus00a03)**

Proponents None

Opponents None

Committee questions and discussion

00:33:31 Rep. Dudik

00:33:51 Rep. Essmann

00:34:16 Rep. Dudik

00:34:34 Rep. Essmann

00:35:19 Sen. Sesso

00:37:28 Sen. Phillips

00:37:54 Mr. Everts

00:38:29 Rep. Wittich

00:39:46 Rep. Hunter

00:40:31 **Vote:** The motion carried 10-6 by roll call vote in the House with Rep. Hunter, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Eck, Rep. MacDonald, Rep. Williams, and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Laszloffy and Rep. MacDonald voted by proxy. The motion carried 11-5 by roll call vote in the Senate with Sen. Dick Barrett, Sen. Phillips, Sen. Sands, Sen. Sesso, and Sen. Wolken voting no. Sen. Dick Barrett voted by proxy.

00:42:28 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved **TO ADOPT AMENDMENT LCJRUL04.ATE.**
[EXHIBIT\(rus00a04\)](#)

Proponents None

Opponents None

Committee questions and discussion

00:44:52 Rep. Williams
00:45:42 Mr. Everts
00:46:53 Rep. Williams
00:48:00 Sen. Buttrey
00:48:15 Mr. Everts
00:48:42 Rep. Regier
00:48:55 Mr. Everts
00:49:07 Susan Fox, director, LSD
00:49:26 Rep. Regier
00:50:05 Rep. Knudsen
00:50:52 Rep. Wittich
00:51:33 Mr. Everts
00:51:40 Sen. Thomas
00:54:25 Rep. Hunter
00:54:58 Mr. Everts
00:56:17 Rep. Hunter
00:56:36 Mr. Everts
00:57:04 Rep. Hunter
00:57:39 Sen. Moore
00:58:04 Mr. Everts
00:58:13 Rep. Essmann
00:59:28 Sen. Blasdel
01:00:32 Sen. Debby Barrett
01:01:14 Sen. Phillips
01:01:41 Mr. Everts

Rep. Randall and Sen. Keenan were excused from the meeting.

01:01:56 **Vote:** The motion carried 12-4 by roll call vote in the House with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Eck, Rep. MacDonald, and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Laszloffy, Rep. MacDonald, and Rep. Randall voted by proxy. The motion carried 13-3 in the Senate with Sen. Dick Barrett, Sen. Sesso, and Sen. Wolken voting no. Sen. Dick Barrett and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

01:03:49 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved **TO ADOPT AMENDMENT LCJRUL05.ATE. EXHIBIT(rus00a05)**

Proponents None

Opponents None

Committee questions and discussion

01:08:47 Sen. Sands
01:09:10 Rep. Essmann
01:10:08 Rep. Dudik
01:10:37 Rep. Essmann
01:10:49 Rep. Regier
01:11:02 Mr. Everts
01:12:13 Rep. Regier
01:12:36 Mr. Everts
01:12:44 Rep. Hunter
01:14:01 Sen. Thomas
01:15:16 Sen. Sesso
01:15:39 Mr. Everts
01:15:45 Sen. Sesso
01:18:46 Rep. Wittich
01:19:33 Mr. Everts
01:20:19 Rep. Williams
01:20:38 Mr. Everts
01:21:08 Rep. Dudik
01:21:57 Mr. Everts
01:22:34 Rep. Dudik
01:22:53 Mr. Everts

Rep. Randall returned to the meeting.

01:23:03 **Vote:** The motion carried 10-6 by roll call vote in the House with Rep. Hunter, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Eck, Rep. MacDonald, Rep. Williams, and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Laszloffy and Rep. MacDonald voted by proxy. The motion carried 11-5 by roll call vote in the Senate with Sen. Buttrey, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Ripley, Sen. Moe, and Sen. Thomas voting no. Sen. Dick Barrett and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

01:25:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Moore moved **TO ADOPT LC JRUL AS AMENDED.** The motion carried unanimously by voice vote in both the House and the Senate by those present and voting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:30 a.m.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([rus00aad.pdf](#))