

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on January 14, 2015 at 8:00 AM, in Room 405  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Chair (R)  
Sen. Fred Thomas, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)  
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)  
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)  
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)  
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)  
Sen. Sue Malek (D)  
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Janna Taylor (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch  
Julie Ward, 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:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 91, 1/7/2015; SB 51, 1/7/2015

Executive Action: SB 6  
SB 95

**HEARING ON SB 51**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:55 Sen. Dick Barrett (D), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 51, Require sharing of debt offset and collection information.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:04:57 Doug Mitchell, deputy director, Department of Commerce (COM)  
00:07:04 Steve Austin, administrator, Citizens Services and Resource Management Division, Department of Revenue (DOR)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:07:47 Sen. Hoven  
00:08:00 Mr. Mitchell, COM

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:08:34 Sen. Barrett

**HEARING ON SB 91**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:09:03 Sen. Fred Thomas (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 91, Revising laws related to reciprocal tax collection.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:13:01 Steve Austin, administrator, Citizens Services and Resource Management Division, Department of Revenue (DOR)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:15:42 Sen. Barrett  
00:15:58 Mr. Austin, DOR  
00:16:06 Sen. Barrett  
00:16:11 Mr. Austin  
00:16:17 Sen. Barrett

00:16:24 Mr. Austin

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:16:47 Sen. Thomas

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 6**

00:17:45 Dan Whyte, Department of Revenue (DOR)

00:21:15 Holly Franz, Montana Society of CPA's

00:21:57 Chairman Tutvedt

00:22:09 **Motion:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 6 DO PASS.**

00:22:29 **Motion:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 6 BE AMENDED.**

**EXHIBIT**(tas08a01)

**Discussion:**

00:22:36 Chairman Tutvedt

00:22:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Taylor was excused.

00:23:07 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 6 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Taylor was excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 95**

00:24:05 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kaufmann moved that **SB 95 DO PASS.** Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Taylor was excused.

**DISCUSSION ON SB 92**

00:24:59 Chairman Tutvedt

00:25:22 Sen. Thomas

00:25:29 Sen. Barrett

00:25:38 Chairman Tutvedt

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 51**

00:25:46 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 51 DO PASS.**

00:26:33 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 51 BE AMENDED.**

**EXHIBIT**(tas08a02)

**Discussion**

00:27:12 Sen. Barrett

00:27:55 Chairman Tutvedt

00:28:02      **Vote:** Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Taylor was excused.

00:28:20      **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 51 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Taylor was excused.

**Committee Business**

00:30:54      Chairman Tutvedt

00:31:50      Sen. Barrett

00:31:56      Chairman Tutvedt

00:32:21      Jaret Coles, staff attorney, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:32:45      Sen. Blasdell

00:33:07      Chairman Tutvedt

00:33:15      Sen. Kaufmann

00:33:30      Chairman Tutvedt

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 8:40 A.M.

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Julie Ward, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([tas08aad.pdf](#))**