

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Scott Sales, on January 20, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 303
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Scott Sales, Chair (R)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Kris Hansen (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, 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 115, 1/12/2015, SB 139, 1/16/15

HEARING ON SB 139

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:23 Sen. Diane Sands (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 139, Revise jury selection laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:33 Shirley Faust, clerk, Missoula County District Court, Montana Association of Clerks of District Court (MACDC)

[EXHIBIT\(jus12a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jus12a02\)](#)

00:09:29 Mary (Marty) Phippen, Montana Magistrates Association (MMA), Montana Association of Clerks of District Court (MACDC)

00:09:57 Dave Schulz, commissioner, Madison County, Virginia City, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:10:26 Jim Smith, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:55 Sen. Hinkle

00:12:54 Ms. Faust, MACDC

00:13:48 Sen. Moe

00:14:14 Sen. Sands

00:14:51 Sen. Fielder

00:15:18 Sen. Sands

00:15:59 Sen. Vincent

Closing by Sponsor:

00:16:08 Sen. Sands

HEARING ON SB 115

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:17:00 Sen. Tom Facey (D), SD 50, opened the hearing on SB 115, Generally revise laws related to boarding animals subject to court proceedings.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:18:54 Ingrid Rosenquist, prosecutor, Yellowstone County Attorney, Billings

00:29:13 Jeff Darrah, animal control supervisor, Missoula County

EXHIBIT(jus12a03)

00:33:32 Wynn Meehan, under sheriff, Broadwater County, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

00:38:28 Gary Spaeth, Jefferson County Attorneys, Jefferson County Sheriffs Department, Jefferson County Commissioners

EXHIBIT(jus12a04)

00:41:47 Dave Shulz, Madison County, Virginia City, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:42:15 Mary (Marty) Phippen, Montana Association of Clerks of District Court (MACDC)

00:42:52 Mark Murphy, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

00:44:55 Stuart Doggett, Montana Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA)

00:45:31 Gina Wiest, executor director, Lewis and Clark County Humane Society

00:47:42 Stacey Gordon, self, professor, Animal Law-University of Montana, Humane Society of Western Montana

00:49:37 Heather Hill, self

00:50:04 Cal Cumin, self

00:50:33 Angela Randak, self

00:52:06 Nanette Gilbertson, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals (ASPCA)

00:52:46 Ed Bartlett, City of Missoula, Yellowstone County, Billings

00:53:01 Tom Ebzery, Humane Society of the United States (HSUS)

EXHIBIT(jus12a05)**EXHIBIT(jus12a06)****EXHIBIT(jus12a07)****Opponents' Testimony:**

00:58:22 Margaret Duezabou, self

EXHIBIT(jus12a08)**Informational Testimony:**

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:02:22 Sen. Vincent

01:04:08 Ms. Rosenquist, Yellowstone County attorney

01:07:05 Sen. Vincent

01:07:45 Mr. Ebzery, HSUS

01:09:59 Sen. Sands

01:10:21 Mr. Murphy, MCAA

01:12:21 Sen. Vincent

01:14:05 Mr. Murphy

01:16:39 Sen. McNally

01:16:59 Ms. Rosenquist
01:18:41 Sen. Fielder
01:19:20 Ms. Rosenquist
01:23:39 Sen. Hinkle
01:24:13 Ms. Rosenquist
01:27:07 Sen. Swandal
01:27:57 Mr. Ebzery
01:31:25 Sen. Fielder
01:32:26 Sen. Facey
01:34:00 Mr. Murphy
01:35:51 Chairman Sales
01:36:20 Ms. Rosenquist
01:40:02 Sen. Hinkle
01:40:58 Mr. Murphy
01:43:00 Sen. Larsen
01:43:36 Mr. Murphy

Closing by Sponsor:

01:46:28 Sen. Facey

Committee Business:

01:49:04 Chairman Sales
01:48:46 Sen. Driscoll

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:50 A.M.

Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jus12aad.pdf](#))