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MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on January 20, 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. Brian Hoven (R)
- Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
- Sen. Sue Malek (D)
- Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
- Sen. Jill Cohenour (R) (arrived after roll call)

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 54, 1/12/2015

HEARING ON SB 54**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:03 Sen. Dick Barrett (D), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 54, Authorize public disclosure of real estate sale prices for tax appraisals.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:19 Mike Kadas, director, Department of Revenue (DOR)

[EXHIBIT\(tas12a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tas12a02\)](#)

00:24:13 Fred Easy, representing himself

Opponents' Testimony:

00:32:41 Joe Roberts, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

00:44:15 William Gowen, president elect, Montana Land Title Association (MLTA)

00:48:34 Dave Wood, representing himself

[EXHIBIT\(tas12a03\)](#)

00:49:30 Amy Fisher, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

[EXHIBIT\(tas12a04\)](#)

00:52:52 Diane Beck, realtor, Missoula

00:56:30 Laurie Koutnik, business owner, Capital Realty, Clancy

01:00:40 Kathy Collins, homeowner, representing herself

[EXHIBIT\(tas12a05\)](#)

01:02:59 Joe Mueller, business owner, representing himself

01:09:57 Jaymie Bowditch, attorney, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

01:11:46 Julia Altemis, Montana Wood Products Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:13:09 Sen. Cohenour

01:13:19 Dan Whyte, chief legal counsel, Department of Revenue (DOR)

01:14:52 Sen. Cohenour

01:15:29 Mr. Whyte, DOR

01:15:36 Sen. Malek

01:15:50 Mr. Whyte

01:16:13 Sen. Cohenour

01:16:26 Mr. Whyte

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01:18:14 Mr. Roberts, MAR
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01:22:26 Mr. Roberts
01:23:38 Sen. Cohenour
01:23:57 Mr. Bowditch, MAR
01:24:38 Ms. Fisher, MAR
01:30:20 Sen. Kaufmann
01:30:56 Mr. Gowen, MLTA
01:32:32 Sen. Kaufmann
01:32:45 Mr. Gowen
01:33:28 Sen. Hoven
01:33:35 Mr. Whyte
01:33:42 Sen. Hoven
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01:35:02 Sen. Brown
01:35:09 Mr. Whyte
01:35:16 Sen. Cohenour
01:35:24 Mr. Bowditch
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01:36:42 Sen. Cohenour
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02:04:33 Sen. Malek
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02:06:06 Sen. Malek
02:06:58 Mr. Bowditch
02:08:03 Sen. Malek
02:08:22 Mr. Whyte
02:08:33 Sen. Tutvedt
02:08:57 Mr. Whyte
02:09:04 Sen. Cohenour
02:11:26 Cynthia Monteau Moore, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)
02:15:44 Chairman Tutvedt
02:16:36 Ms. Monteau Moore, DOR
02:17:43 Sen. Hoven
02:18:03 Mr. Roberts
02:18:27 Ms. Beck, realtor
02:18:50 Sen. Hoven
02:18:59 Ms. Beck
02:19:06 Sen. Hoven
02:19:14 Ms. Beck
02:19:32 Mr. Muller, self

Closing by Sponsor:

02:20:12 Sen. Barrett

Committee Business:

Due to technical difficulties the audio recording was lost for a portion of the meeting.

02:36:20 Chairman Tutvedt
02:37:20 Sen. Hoven
02:37:27 Chairman Tutvedt
02:38:21 Sen. Kaufmann
02:38:42 Chairman Tutvedt
02:39:00 Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
02:39:17 Chairman Tutvedt

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:41 A.M.

Julie Ward, Secretary

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Additional Document

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