

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on January 30, 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. 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. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Julie Ward, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 190, 1/26/2015 1/26/2015; HB 122, 1/26/2015

Executive Action: SB54-Do Pass as Amended
SB180-Motion Withdrawn

HEARING ON HB 122

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:58 Rep. Lee Randall (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 122, Clarify the requirements for Ag employees wage withholding.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:42 Lee Baerlocher, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:04:29 Sen. Kaufmann
00:04:44 Mr. Baerlocher, DOR
00:05:03 Sen. Kaufmann
00:05:19 Mr. Baerlocher
00:06:28 Sen. Hoven
00:06:52 Mr. Baerlocher
00:07:22 Sen. Hoven
00:07:39 Mr. Baerlocher
00:08:00 Sen. Barrett
00:08:07 Mr. Baerlocher
00:08:11 Sen. Hovan
00:08:35 Mr. Baerlocher
00:09:08 Sen. Malek
00:09:58 Rep. Randall
00:10:52 Sen. Pomnichowski
00:11:16 Mr. Baerlocher
00:11:25 Sen. Pomnichowski
00:12:03 Mr. Baerlocher
00:12:37 Sen. Pomnichowski
00:13:00 Mr. Baerlocher
00:13:14 Sen. Hoven
00:13:39 Mr. Baerlocher
00:13:58 Chairman Tutvedt
00:14:02 Mr. Baerlocher

Closing by Sponsor:

00:14:30 Rep. Randall

00:15:06 Chairman Tutvedt

HEARING ON SB 190

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:00 Sen. Mike Phillips (D), SD 31, opened the hearing on SB 190, Revising the legislature's revenue estimating process.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:41 Sen. Kaufmann
00:22:11 Sen. Phillips
00:22:58 Sen. Barrett
00:23:34 Sen. Phillips
00:24:26 Chairman Tutvedt
00:24:48 Sen. Phillips
00:26:30 Chairman Tutvedt
00:27:09 Sen. Phillips
00:27:34 Chairman Tutvedt
00:27:41 Sen. Barrett
00:28:41 Sen. Phillips
00:29:24 Sen. Barrett
00:29:47 Sen. Phillips
00:30:28 Sen. Hoven
00:31:01 Sen. Phillips
00:32:09 Sen. Brown
00:33:10 Sen. Phillips
00:34:19 Sen. Ankney
00:36:17 Sen. Phillips
00:36:58 Sen. Thomas
00:40:00 Sen. Kaufmann left the hearing.
00:40:10 Sen. Phillips
00:42:39 Sen. Barrett
00:43:25 Sen. Phillips
00:44:11 Chairman Tutvedt

Closing by Sponsor:

00:44:50 Sen. Phillips

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 54

00:47:15 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 54 DO PASS.**

00:47:32 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SB 54 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas21a01)

Discussion:

00:47:45 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:51:10 Sen. Hoven
00:51:37 Sen. Barrett
00:53:44 Sen. Brown
00:54:28 Chairman Tutvedt
00:55:29 Sen. Brown
00:55:46 Chairman Tutvedt
00:55:56 Mr. Coles, LSD
00:56:18 Chairman Tutvedt
00:56:25 Sen. Thomas
00:57:08 Sen. Barrett
00:59:40 Chairman Tutvedt
00:59:59 Joe Roberts, American Association of Realtors
01:01:03 Sen. Barrett
01:01:30 Sen. Cohenour
01:02:13 Mr. Coles
01:02:38 Sen. Cohenour
01:02:54 Dan Whyte, Department of Revenue (DOR)
01:03:26 Chairman Tutvedt
01:03:50 Mr. Whyte, DOR
01:05:00 Sen. Barrett
01:05:31 Chairman Tutvedt
01:05:39 Sen. Ankney
01:07:39 Sen. Thomas
01:07:51 Mr. Whyte

01:08:47 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote of those present and voting.

01:09:37 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 54 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Kaufmann and Sen. Taylor
were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 180

Discussion:

01:09:52 Chairman Tutvedt
01:10:33 Sen. Hoven
01:11:14 Chairman Tutvedt
01:11:43 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division, (LSD)
01:12:09 Chairman Tutvedt
01:12:15 Mr. Coles, LSD
01:12:23 Sen. Pomnichowski
01:13:13 Sen. Thomas

01:14:08 Chairman Tutvedt
01:14:27 Sen. Cohenour
01:15:58 Sen. Ankney
01:16:49 Sen. Brown
01:17:32 Sen. Barrett
01:19:02 Sen. Hoven
01:20:03 Sen Taylor entered the hearing.
01:20:09 Sen. Thomas

01:20:38 **Motion:** Sen. Thomas moved that **SB 180 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:21:06 Sen. Brown
01:21:19 Chairman Tutvedt
01:21:50 Sen. Brown
01:21:57 Chairman Tutvedt
01:22:01 Sen. Hoven
01:22:07 Without objection, Sen. Thomas withdrew his motion.
01:22:10 Chairman Tutvedt
01:22:17 Sen. Hoven
01:22:29 Sen. Barrett
01:23:02 Mr. Coles
01:23:30 Sen. Barrett
01:23:53 Chairman Tutvedt
01:24:03 Sen. Cohenour
01:24:47 Sen. Hoven
01:24:53 Chairman Tutvedt
01:25:26 Sen. Ankney
01:26:59 Sen. Brown
01:28:03 Chairman Tutvedt
01:28:32 Sen. Hoven
01:29:10 Mr. Coles

Committee Business:

01:29:54 Chairman Tutvedt
01:31:08 Sen. Thomas
01:31:42 Chairman Tutvedt

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:32 A.M.

Julie Ward, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas21 aad.pdf](#))