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MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Dee Brown, on March 16, 2015 at 3:20 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dee Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Roger Webb, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Lea Whitford (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch

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: HB 331, 3/6/2015; HB 288, 3/6/2015; HB 123, 3/6/2015; HB 101, 3/6/2015

HEARING ON HB 331**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:36 Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 331, Remove the term "half breed" from signage and geological features in Montana.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:10 Jasen Smith, Office of Indian Affairs

00:04:43 Shane Morigeau, Consolidated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)

[EXHIBIT\(sts54a01\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:07:24 Gerry Daumiller, Montana State Library

[EXHIBIT\(sts54a02\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:08:11 Sen. Kary

00:08:43 Rep. Schwaderer

00:09:01 Sen. Kary

00:09:17 Mr. Daumiller

00:09:32 Sen. Kary

00:09:50 Sen. Hinkle

00:10:25 Mr. Daumiller

00:10:38 Sen. Hinkle

00:10:48 Mr. Daumiller

00:11:08 Rep. Schwaderer

00:12:53 Sen. Whitford

00:13:18 Mr. Daumiller

00:14:45 Sen. Whitford

00:14:56 Mr. Daumiller

00:15:23 Chair Brown

00:15:47 Mr. Daumiller

00:16:16 Chair Brown

00:16:29 Mr. Daumiller

00:16:46 Sen. Hinkle

00:17:08 Mr. Daumiller

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:07 Rep. Schwaderer

HEARING ON HB 288

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:19:29 Rep. Tom Richmond (R), HD 56, opened the hearing on HB 288, Repeal law regarding transfer of information technology resources.

[EXHIBIT\(sts54a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:23:16 Ron Baldwin, chief information officer, Information Technology Services Division, Department of Administration (DOA)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:23:51 Sen. Malek
00:24:29 Mr. Baldwin, DOA
00:25:23 Sen. Malek
00:25:38 Mr. Baldwin
00:26:32 Chair Jones
00:26:44 Mr. Baldwin
00:27:00 Chair Jones

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:15 Rep. Richmond

HEARING ON HB 123

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:29:21 Rep. Donald Jones (R), HD 46, opened the hearing on HB 123, Generally revise public records laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:16 Shantil Siaperas, legislative analyst, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
[EXHIBIT\(sts54a04\)](#)

00:37:34 John MacDonald, Montana Newspaper Association (MNA)

00:42:56 John Alke, corporate counsel, Northwestern Energy

00:46:08 Andrew Huff, chief legal counsel, Governor's Office (GOV)

[EXHIBIT\(sts54a05\)](#)

00:59:04 Aimee Grmoljez, MDU Resources

00:59:43 Joe DeFilippis, deputy, Records and Information Management Division,
Secretary of State
01:00:37 Kevin Nelson, Billings, representing himself

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:05:10 Jodi Foley, Montana Historical Society (MHS)
01:05:40 Jennie Stapp, Montana State Librarian
01:06:01 Valerie Bashor, attorney, Department of Public Health and Human Services
(DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:06:38 Sen. Driscoll
01:07:03 Rep. Jones
01:07:23 Sen. Driscoll
01:07:52 Rep. Jones
01:08:35 Chair Brown
01:08:57 Mr. Huff, GOV
01:13:46 Chair Brown
01:14:16 Mr. Huff
01:15:49 Sen. Malek
01:16:41 Ms. Foley, MHS
01:17:27 Sen. Malek
01:17:41 Ms. Foley
01:17:51 Sen. Malek
01:18:01 Ms. Bashor, DPHHS
01:18:46 Sen. Malek
01:18:56 Ms. Bashor
01:19:12 Sen. Malek
01:19:50 Rep. Jones
01:20:13 Chair Brown
01:20:24 Sen. Malek
01:20:29 Mr. MacDonald, MNA
01:21:15 Sen. Malek
01:21:27 Mr. MacDonald
01:22:17 Chair Brown
01:22:40 Mr. MacDonald
01:22:59 Sen. Malek
01:23:16 Mr. MacDonald
01:23:29 Sen. Malek
01:24:00 Mr. Huff
01:27:41 Sen. Malek
01:27:54 Mr. Huff
01:28:10 Sen. Whitford
01:28:56 Mr. Huff
01:29:42 Chair Brown
01:29:51 Mr. Huff

01:30:05 Sen. Hinkle
01:30:52 Mr. Huff
01:31:59 Sen. Hinkle
01:33:12 Rep. Jones
01:36:22 Sen. Hinkle
01:36:57 Rep. Jones

Closing by Sponsor:

01:37:21 Rep. Jones

HEARING ON HB 101

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:42:51 Rep. Tom Steenberg (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 101, Generally revise administrative laws of the MPERA retirement systems.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:44:43 Melanie Symons, chief legal counsel, Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration (MPERA)

[EXHIBIT\(sts54a06\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:48:49 Sen. Hinkle
01:49:29 Ms. Symons (MPERA)
01:51:15 Sen. Hinkle
01:51:38 Ms. Symons
01:51:58 Sen. Webb
01:52:26 Ms. Symons

Closing by Sponsor:

01:53:31 Rep. Steenberg

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:15 p.m.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sts54aad.pdf](#))