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MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Taylor Brown, on April 14, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Brian Hoven, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)
Sen. Cynthia Wolken (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. David Howard (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Angie Koehler, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SR 52, 4/9/2015

Executive Action:

HB 629 Be Concurred In
SR 52 Be Adopted

Committee Business:

00:00:01 Chairman Brown

00:02:26 Chairman Brown turned over Chair responsibilities to Vice Chair Hoven.

HEARING ON SR 52

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:48 Sen. Taylor Brown (R), SD 28, opened the hearing on SR 52, Confirm Governor's appointee to board of livestock.

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Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:09 Chelcie Cremer, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

00:05:52 Errol Rice, Montana Stockgrowers Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:36 Sen. Hansen

00:08:11 Sen. Brown

00:10:20 Sen. Hansen

00:10:37 Ms. Cremer, MFBF

00:10:45 Sen. Hansen

00:10:53 Ms. Cremer

00:10:55 Sen. Hansen

00:10:59 Ms. Cremer

00:11:02 Sen. Hansen

00:11:31 Ms. Cremer

00:14:00 Sen. Moore

00:14:40 Sen. Brown

00:15:29 Sen. Moore

00:15:54 Sen. Brown

00:17:25 Sen. Moore

00:18:05 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:16 Sen. Brown

00:19:25 Chairman Brown resumed the role as chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 629

00:19:55 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **HB 629 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:20:00 Chairman Brown

00:20:28 Sen. Cohenour

00:21:05 Chairman Brown

00:21:21 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **HB 629 BE AMENDED CONCEPTUALLY.**

Discussion:

00:21:33 Sen. Cohenour

00:21:45 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division

00:22:05 Sen. Cohenour

00:22:07 Chairman Brown

00:22:17 Sen. Moore

00:23:24 Sen. Cohenour

00:24:36 Sen. Hoven

00:25:19 Sen. Moore

00:26:22 Sen. Cohenour

00:27:43 Chairman Brown

00:29:20 Sen. Cohenour

00:30:33 Sen. Moore

00:30:39 Chairman Brown

00:30:58 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-6 by roll call vote with Sen. Caferro, Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Pomnichowski, Sen. Stewart-Peregoy and Sen. Wolken voting aye. Sen. Howard voted by proxy.

00:32:13 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Caferro, Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Pomnichowski, Sen. Stewart-Peregoy and Sen. Wolken voting no. Sen. Howard voted by proxy. Sen. Moore will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 52

00:33:20 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SR 52 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:33:30 Sen. Hoven

00:33:53 Chairman Brown

00:34:17 Sen. Hansen

00:34:26 Chairman Brown

00:35:28 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-1 by voice vote with Sen. F. Moore voting no. Sen. Howard was excused.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:39 P.M.

Angie Koehler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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