

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

**Call to Order:** Chair Edward Buttrey, on April 14, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 422  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Edward Buttrey, Chair (R)  
Sen. Elsie Arntzen, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Dee Brown (R)  
Sen. Pat Connell (R)  
Sen. Tom Facey (D)  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) (arrived after roll call)  
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)  
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)  
Sen. Lea Whitford (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Cary Smith (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Linda Keim, Committee Secretary  
Jameson Walker, 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: SR 50, 4/10/2015; SR 54, 4/10/2015; SR 55, 4/10/2015

Executive Action: SR 50, SR 54, SR 55

00:01:10 Chairman Buttrey  
Sen. Arntzen assumed the position of chair.

**HEARING ON SR 50**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:05 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SR 50. Confirm appointee for board of horseracing.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:27 John Hayes, appointee, Great Falls

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:04:45 Sen. Brown  
00:05:37 Mr. Hayes, appointee  
00:05:42 Sen. Whitford  
00:07:01 Mr. Hayes  
00:07:54 Sen. Connell  
00:08:39 Mr. Hayes  
00:10:03 Sen. Brown  
00:11:55 Mr. Hayes  
00:12:01 Sen. Vuckovich  
00:12:44 Mr. Hayes  
00:15:19 Sen. Connell  
00:15:52 Mr. Hayes

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:15:58 Sen. Buttrey

**HEARING ON SR 54**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:17:00 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SR 54. Confirm Governor's appointee to board of research & commercialization.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:19:04 Chair Arntzen  
00:19:31 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy  
00:19:41 Sen. Vuckovich

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:20:08 Sen. Buttrey

**HEARING ON SR 55**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:21:14 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SR 55. Confirm Governor's appointee to commission for human rights.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:22:29 Sen. Brown  
00:22:32 Sen. Buttrey

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:22:51 Sen. Buttrey  
00:23:06 Chair Arntzen  
00:23:24 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy  
Sen. Buttrey resumed the position of chair.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 50**

00:24:05 **Motion:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SR 50 BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:24:18 Sen. Facey  
00:24:44 Sen. Arntzen

00:24:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Smith was excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 54**

00:25:07 **Motion:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SR 54 BE ADOPTED**.

**Discussion:**

00:25:21 Chairman Buttrey

00:25:25 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy

00:25:32 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Smith was excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 55**

00:25:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SR 55 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Smith was excused.

00:26:11 Chairman Buttrey

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:30 A.M.

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Linda Keim, Secretary

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