

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mark Blasdel, on January 27, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair (R)
Sen. Roger Webb, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Tom Richmond (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Fred Thomas (R), Sen. Scott Sales (R), Sen. Sue Malek (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Olivia Hopkins, 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: HB 18, 1/24/2017; HB 63, 1/24/2017; HB 43, 1/24/2017; HB 115, 1/24/2017

00:00:38 Chairman Blasdel

HEARING ON HB 18

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:09 Rep. Tom Jacobson (D), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 18, Revise tax lien and tax deed laws.

[EXHIBIT\(tas20a01\)](#)

00:02:33 Sen. Cohenour entered the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:02 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association (MCTA)

00:21:28 Harold Blattie, director, Montana Association of Counties

00:25:02 Stuart Doggett, Montana Land Title Association

00:25:37 Matt Pecos, self

[EXHIBIT\(tas20a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:35 Sen. Hoven

00:36:41 Rep. Jacobson

00:37:08 Ms. Wiggers, MCTA

00:38:26 Chairman Blasdel

00:38:53 Ms. Wiggers

00:39:20 Sen. Webb

00:40:22 Ms. Wiggers

00:44:37 Sen. Hoven

00:45:16 Ms. Wiggers

00:46:09 Sen. Hoven

00:46:38 Ms. Wiggers

Closing by Sponsor:

00:46:58 Rep. Jacobson

00:50:40 Chairman Blasdel

HEARING ON HB 63

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:50:53 Rep. Jim Hamilton (D), HD 61, opened the hearing on HB 63, Require withholding annual returns, W2s, and 1099s to be filed earlier.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:52:59 Lee Baerlocher, Montana Department of Revenue

00:55:15 Holly Franz, Montana Society of Certified Public Accountants

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:55:57 Rep. Hamilton

00:56:13 Chairman Blasdel

HEARING ON HB 115

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:56:24 Rep. George Kipp (D), HD 15, opened the hearing on HB 115, Revise agricultural implements and machinery appraisal laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:59:12 Brad Griffin, director, Montana Equipment Dealers Association

01:00:27 Cynthia Monteau Moore, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:02:33 Sen. Hoven

01:02:57 Ms. Monteau Moore, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:21 Rep. Kipp

01:03:38 Chairman Blasdel

HEARING ON HB 43

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:03:43 Rep. Dave Fern (D), HD 5, opened the hearing on HB 43, Authorize informal review deadline for second year property reappraisal cycle.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:06:18 Cynthia Monteau Moore, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)
01:08:44 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:09:44 Sen. Pomnichowski
01:10:43 Ms. Monteau Moore, DOR
01:11:07 Sen. Pomnichowski
01:11:16 Ms. Monteau Moore
01:11:58 Sen. Pomnichowski
01:12:30 Sen. Barrett
01:13:11 Sen. Webb
01:13:33 Ms. Monteau Moore

Closing by Sponsor:

01:14:19 Rep. Fern
01:15:00 Chairman Blasdel

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:16 AM

Olivia Hopkins, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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