

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Llew Jones, on February 7, 2017 at 2:23 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Llew Jones, Chair (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. David Howard (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Mike Lang (R)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Albert Olszewski (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)
Sen. Lea Whitford (D)
Sen. Cynthia Wolken (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Kris Wilkinson, 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: SB 162, 2/2/2017; HB 191, 2/3/2017

Executive Action: HB 191 Be Concurred In

HEARING ON SB 162

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:21 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 162, Establish regional infrastructure.

00:03:00 Sen. Sesso joined the meeting.

00:04:20 Sen. McNally joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:30 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:08:43 Sen. Phillips

00:09:08 Sen. Regier

00:10:09 Sen. Phillips

00:10:31 Sen. Regier

00:10:50 Sen. Wolken

00:11:10 Sen. Regier

00:11:44 Sen. Caferro joined the meeting.

00:11:54 Sen. Sesso

00:13:00 Sen. Regier

00:13:39 Sen. Sesso

00:14:02 Sen. Regier

00:14:18 Sen. Sesso

00:14:45 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:15:12 Sen. Sesso

00:15:28 Sen. Regier

00:16:54 Sen. Sesso

00:17:54 Sen. Regier

00:18:33 Sen. Whitford

00:19:17 Sen. Regier

00:20:32 Sen. Whitford

00:21:01 Sen. Regier

00:21:11 Sen. Olszewski

00:21:53 Ms. Johnson, LSD

00:23:49 Sen. Olszewski

00:24:04 Ms. Johnson

00:24:35 Sen. Olszewski

00:24:47 Sen. Regier

00:25:05 Sen. Phillips

00:25:46 Sen. Regier

00:25:58 Sen. Phillips
00:26:37 Sen. Regier

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:10 Sen. Regier

HEARING ON HB 191

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:31:57 Rep. Seth Berglee (R), HD 58, opened the hearing on HB 191, Provide inflationary increase for ANB funding.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:30 Elsie Arntzen, superintendent of Office of Public Instruction
00:35:16 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association
00:36:21 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana
00:37:57 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association
00:39:27 Eric Feaver, MEA-MFT

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:39:56 Paul Taylor, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:40:28 Sen. Sesso
00:41:01 Mr. Taylor, OPI
00:41:50 Sen. Sesso
00:42:02 Mr. Taylor
00:42:33 Sen. Moore
00:42:47 Mr. Taylor
00:42:56 Sen. Moore
00:43:06 Mr. Taylor

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:17 Rep. Berglee
00:43:34 Sen. Howard, Sen. Lang, Sen. Osmundson and Sen. Smith left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 191

00:43:42 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Moore moved that **HB 191 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 14-0 by voice vote. Sen. Howard, Sen. Lang, Sen. Osmundson and Sen. C. Smith were excused. Sen. Vincent will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:10 PM

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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