

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mark Blasdel, on March 10, 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. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Tom Richmond (R)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

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: SB 333, 3/7/2017

00:00:45 Chairman Blasdel

HEARING ON SB 333

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:22 Sen. Mary Caferro (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 333, Generally revise medical marijuana laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:20 Kate Cholewa, Montana Cannabis Industry Association (MTCIA)

[EXHIBIT\(tas50a01\)](#)

00:15:13 Andre Umansky, Fidelity Diagnostics (FD)

00:19:31 Taylin Lang, self

00:21:38 Terry Hamilton, self

00:25:17 Daniel Fuchs, Triangle Public Affairs

00:27:25 Gregory Zuckert, self

00:29:25 Ronda Wiggers, Montana Labs

[EXHIBIT\(tas50a02\)](#)

00:35:19 Rep. Ellie Hill, HD 90

00:41:28 Robert Devine, Spark

00:46:58 Gordon Fagras, Montana Labs

00:58:14 David Morris, Proteus Business Solutions (PBS)

00:58:48 Danielle Muggli, self

01:00:34 Keith Erwin, Fidelity Diagnostics

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:02:42 Brian Watson, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

01:02:56 Gene Walborn Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:03:14 Sen. Barrett

01:03:55 Ms. Cholewa, MTCIA

01:07:55 Sen. Barrett

01:08:07 Ms. Cholewa

01:09:39 Sen. Malek

01:10:46 Mr. Umansky, FD

01:14:25 Sen. Malek

01:14:53 Mr. Umansky

01:16:24 Sen. Malek

01:16:48 Chairman Blasdel

01:16:59 Sen. Hoven

01:17:57 Ms. Cholewa

01:18:21	Mr. Watson, DPHHS
01:23:06	Sen. Hoven
01:23:17	Ms. Cholewa
01:24:32	Sen. Hoven
01:24:42	Ms. Cholewa
01:25:00	Sen. Webb
01:25:30	Sen. Caferro
01:25:48	Ms. Cholewa
01:26:33	Sen. Webb
01:26:52	Mr. Fagras, Montana Labs
01:29:51	Sen. Webb
01:30:10	Mr. Fagras
01:30:35	Sen. Webb
01:30:52	Mr. Watson
01:31:28	Sen. Cohenour
01:32:08	Mr. Watson
01:32:15	Sen. Barrett
01:32:31	Mr. Watson
01:34:37	Sen. Barrett
01:35:12	Mr. Umansky
01:36:17	Sen. Barrett
01:36:45	Mr. Watson
01:36:54	Sen. Hoven
01:37:09	Mr. Devine, Spark
01:42:03	Sen. Hoven
01:42:45	Mr. Morris, PBS
01:44:25	Sen. Tempel
01:44:59	Mr. Walborn, DOR
01:45:39	Ms. Cholewa
01:46:59	Sen. Cohenour
01:48:00	Mr. Fagras
01:49:50	Sen. Malek
01:50:21	Mr. Watson
01:50:41	Sen. Malek
01:53:08	Mr. Umansky
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01:56:00	Ms. Cholewa
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02:04:25	Mr. Watson
02:04:51	Sen. Webb
02:05:07	Ms. Cholewa
02:05:36	Mr. Fagras
02:06:10	Sen. Pomnichowski
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02:37:31	Sen. Hoven

Closing by Sponsor:

02:38:26	Sen. Caferro
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Discussion:

02:44:15	Chairman Blasdel
02:45:00	Sen. Cohenour
02:45:38	Sen. Barrett
02:46:11	Chairman Blasdel
02:46:57	Sen. Barrett
02:47:28	Chairman Blasdel

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:48 AM

Olivia Hopkins, Secretary

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Additional Documents

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