

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Denley M. Loge, on January 21, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Frank Garner, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)
Rep. Jasmine Krotkov (D)
Rep. Zac Perry (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge, Chair (R)
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joe Carroll, Legislative Branch
Kathlyn Royal, Committee Clerk

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 81, 1/4/2019; HB 133, 1/10/2019; HB 156, 1/14/2019

Executive Action: HB 156 Do Pass

Call to Order:

14:58:46 Chair Garner

HEARING ON HB 156**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:01:13 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 156, Establish Mason Moore memorial highway.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:03:43 Jodi Moore, self
15:09:48 Wynn M. Meehan, Sheriff, Broadwater County Sherriff's Department
15:11:21 Rep. Sweeney joined the meeting
15:11:31 Tim Fox, Attorney General (AG)
15:15:55 Bryan Gootkin, Gallatin County Sheriff, MSPOA
15:16:25 Sheriff Leo Dutton, Sheriff's Department
15:17:28 Bryan Inman, Association of Montana Troopers, AMT
15:18:19 Josh Brown, Captain, Montana Highway Patrol
15:19:52 Darrel Folkvord, Broadwater County Commissioner
15:20:49 John Forkan, Butte Teamsters Local #2
15:21:33 Mark Murphy, Montana Association of Chiefs of Police
15:22:07 Jerry Williams, Montana Police Protective Association
15:22:40 Rep. Walt Sales
15:23:36 Brad Marten, Department of Transportation
15:25:40 Rep. Loge joined the meeting
15:25:44 Laurel Obert, Broadwater County Commissioner

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:27:10 Rep. Julie Dooling
15:27:36 Vice Chair Garner

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 15615:28:05 **Motion:** Rep. Dooling moved that **HB 156 DO PASS.****Discussion:**

15:28:20 Vice Chair Garner
15:29:26 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Fleming and Rep. Garcia voted by proxy.
15:30:20 Vice Chair Garner ceded the gavel to Chair Loge

15:30:26 Recess
15:34:50 Reconvened

15:34:50 Chair Loge

HEARING ON HB 81

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:35:18 Rep. Willis Curdy (D), HD 98, opened the hearing on HB 81, Eliminate aviation fuel refunds and revise allocations of aircraft reg. account.

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

15:38:57 Tim Conway, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a03\)](#)

15:43:17 Terry Spath, self, Dick Anderson Construction, Montana Pilot's Association

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a05\)](#)

15:46:15 Bob Gilbert, Montana Aviation Trades Association

15:50:17 Bryan Thompson, Montana Contractors Association

Opponents' Testimony:

15:51:00 Jeff Wadekamper, Helena Regional Airport

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a06\)](#)

15:55:22 Jason Rittal, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

15:56:27 Scott Humphrey, Bozeman International Airport

15:59:17 Billy Glunz, American Airlines, Airlines for America

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a07\)](#)

16:03:32 Dana Dabel, Delta Airlines

16:06:36 Jonathan Jackson, Allegiant Airlines

16:08:21 Darrin Hall, United Airlines

16:09:24 Shane Scanlon, Kalispell Chamber of Commerce

16:09:28 Rep. Garcia joined the meeting

Informational Testimony:

16:10:46 Larry Flynn, Department of Transportation, DOT

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:11:19 Rep. Fern

16:12:05 Dana Dabel, Delta Airlines

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16:13:30 Rep. Greef

16:13:59 Jonathan Jackson, Allegiant Airlines

16:14:39 Rep. Greef

16:14:47 Jonathan Jackson, Allegiant Airlines
16:15:27 Rep. Krotkov
16:15:53 Larry Flynn, DOT
16:16:15 Rep. Krotkov
16:16:29 Larry Flynn, DOT
16:17:06 Rep. Krotkov
16:17:40 Darrin Hall, United Airlines
16:18:44 Rep. Fern
16:19:43 Bob Gilbert, Montana Aviation Trades Association
16:22:51 Chair Loge
16:23:11 Jeff Wadekamper, Helena Regional Airport
16:24:36 Rep. Fern
16:25:05 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

16:25:36 Rep. Curdy

HEARING ON HB 133

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

16:33:47 Rep. Zach Brown (D), HD 63, opened the hearing on HB 133, Grant disabled veterans free airport parking.

[EXHIBIT\(trh11a08\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

16:37:29 Roger Hagan, Department of the American Legion

Opponents' Testimony:

16:38:52 Tom Ebzery, Montana Airport Managers Association (MAMA)

16:43:08 Jeff Wadekamper, Helena Regional Airport

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:44:30 Rep. Krautter
16:45:08 Rep. Brown
16:48:20 Rep. Krautter
16:49:00 Tom Ebzery, MAMA
16:49:11 Rep. Fern
16:50:02 Roger Hagan, Department of the American Legion
16:51:04 Rep. Fern
16:51:42 Rep. Brown
16:52:19 Vice Chair Smith
16:52:43 Rep. Brown
16:53:39 Vice Chair Garner
16:54:13 Rep. Brown
16:55:17 Rep. Harvey
16:55:48 Jeff Wadekamper, Helena Regional Airport
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16:57:42 Rep. Fern
16:58:09 Roger Hagan, Department of the American Legion
16:59:00 Rep. Fern
16:59:07 Roger Hagan, Department of the American Legion

Closing by Sponsor:

16:59:36 Rep. Brown

17:02:02 Chair Loge

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:02:40

Kathlyn Royal, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh11aad.pdf](#))