

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Geraldine Custer, on January 29, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Gunderson, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Greg DeVries (R)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Rep. Jasmine Krotkov (D)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Geraldine Custer, Chair (R)
Rep. Dave Fern, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Theresa Manzella (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Branch
Chris Bushnell, 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 259, 1/23/2019

15:06:15 Vice Chair Gunderson

HEARING ON HB 259

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:08:12 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 259, Generally revise special district laws.

[EXHIBIT\(loh17a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(loh17a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

15:12:07 Dan Browder, Ravalli County Attorney's Office, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:15:54 Fern Schreckendust, Bitterroot Aquatic Center

15:19:31 Dan Semmens, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:26:10 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

15:28:19 Kelly Lynch, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)

Opponents' Testimony:

15:30:00 Nicho Hash, Self

15:31:14 Charles Lane, Self

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:34:03 Rep. Garner

15:34:30 Rep. Bedey

15:35:26 Dan Browder, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:36:54 Rep. Garner

15:37:22 Dan Browder, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:38:47 Rep. Pope

15:39:33 Rep. Browder, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:39:49 Rep. Skees left the meeting.

15:41:21 Rep. Pope

15:41:27 Dan Browder, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:41:45 Vice Chair Gunderson

15:42:23 Dan Browder, Ravalli County Parks District 2

15:43:40 Vice Chair Gunderson

15:43:54 Eric Bryson, MACo

15:44:50 Vice Chair Gunderson

15:45:00 Dan Semmens, Dorsey & Whitney

15:48:02 Rep. Krotkov

15:48:38 Rep. Bedey

15:51:25 Rep. Krotkov

15:52:06 Rep. Bedey

15:54:04 Rep. Garner left the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

15:55:00 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86

15:56:09 Vice Chair Gunderson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:56:36

Chris Bushnell, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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