

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Alan Redfield, on February 7, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alan Redfield, Chair (R)
Rep. Becky Beard, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. John Fuller (R)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Zach Brown, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Chris Bushnell, Committee Secretary
Megan Moore, 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: HB 293, 1/25/2019

09:00:15 Chair Redfield

09:01:37 Sam Schaefer, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
[EXHIBIT\(tah25a01\)](#)

09:01:39 Rep. Hertz entered the meeting.
09:04:31 Rep. Abbott entered the meeting.
09:05:14 Rep. Dunwell
09:06:39 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:06:29 Rep. Dunwell
09:06:39 Vice Chair Z. Brown entered the meeting.
09:06:43 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:07:41 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
09:07:51 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:20:37 Rep. Dunwell
09:20:46 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:21:16 Rep. Hertz
09:21:42 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:22:13 Rep. R. Knudsen
09:22:37 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:23:00 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
09:23:16 Sam Schaefer, LFD
09:24:07 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
09:24:18 Sam Schaefer, LFD

HEARING ON HB 293

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:24:42 Rep. Wylie Galt (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on HB 293, Provide for film tax credits.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:25:43 Senator Sue Malek (D), SD 46
09:32:04 Julian Higgins, Self
09:34:58 Steve Grover, Montana Studios

[EXHIBIT\(tah25a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah25a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah25a04\)](#)

09:49:02 J.P. Gabriel, Montana Filmmakers
09:56:18 Christopher Cronyn, Self
10:02:45 Tyler Grutsch, Montana Film Society
10:05:50 Lynn Fields, Montana Filmmakers
10:08:48 Rep. Fern entered the meeting.
10:09:58 Troy Bertelsen, Director's Guild of America (DGA), Screen Actor's Guild (SAG)
10:14:11 Bridger Mahlun, Montana Chamber of Commerce, MCC
10:14:50 Jessie Luther, Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA)
10:16:39 Drew Geiger, Montana Car Rental Association
10:17:34 Charlotte Lauerman, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association

Opponents' Testimony:

10:18:30 Gene Walborn, Director, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

10:20:39 Patrick Webb, Americans for Prosperity
10:21:47 Bob Story, Montana Taxpayers Association (MTA)

[EXHIBIT\(tah25a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah25a06\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:26:23 Vice Chair Z. Brown
10:27:32 Bob Story, MTA
10:28:36 Vice Chair Z. Brown
10:28:56 Bob Story, MTA
10:29:07 Vice Chair Z. Brown
10:30:05 Director Walborn, DOR
10:32:06 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
10:32:53 Rep. Galt
10:33:20 Rep. Fern
10:34:04 Rep. Galt
10:34:32 Vice Chair Beard
10:35:22 Rep. Galt
10:35:44 Rep. Hertz
10:36:54 Director Walborn, DOR
10:37:31 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
10:40:47 Chris Cronyn, Self
10:41:53 Rep. R. Knudsen
10:42:36 Rep. Galt
10:42:48 Rep. R. Knudsen
10:42:53 Rep. Galt

Closing by Sponsor:

10:43:18 Rep. Wylie Galt (R), HD 30

10:44:18 Chair Redfield
10:44:36 Vice Chair Z. Brown

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:44:50

Chris Bushnell, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah25aad.pdf](#))