

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Denley M. Loge, on February 13, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Denley M. Loge, Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Garner, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Jasmine Krotkov (D)
Rep. Zac Perry (D)
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)

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 393, 2/8/2019; HB 412, 2/8/2019; HB 426, 2/8/2019; HB 440, 2/11/2019

Executive Action: HB 352 Tabled, SB 76 Tabled

15:02:56 Chair Loge

HEARING ON HB 412

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:04:32 Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D), HD 23, opened the hearing on HB 412, Change the opt-in for TBI to an opt-out on vehicle registration forms.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:08:23 Rocky Haralson, Montana County Treasurers Association (MCTA)

15:10:07 John Bigart, Executive Director, Brain Injury Alliance of Montana (BIAMT)

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15:11:31 Rep. Krautter arrived.

15:15:28 Brandi King, self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:17:08 Rep. Fern

15:17:50 John Bigart, BIAMT

15:20:04 Rep. Fern

15:20:35 Rep. Hamlett, HD 23

15:22:31 Rep. Krotkov

15:22:57 Rep. Hamlett

15:23:04 Rep. Krotkov

15:23:12 Rep. Hamlett

15:23:42 Rep. Greef

15:23:58 Rep. Hamlett

15:24:18 Rep. Greef

15:24:38 Rep. Hamlett

15:25:21 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

15:25:36 Rep. Hamlett

HEARING ON HB 426

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:28:00 Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HB 426, Generally revise laws related to highway maintenance for Indian reservations.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:32:04 Michael DesRosier, Commissioner, Glacier County

15:35:40 Jim Vogel, Fort Belknap Indian Community Council

15:39:23 Brandi King, Fort Belknap Indian Community Council

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:41:10 Larry Flynn, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:41:50 Rep. Fern
15:42:11 Jon Swartz, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:42:24 Rep. Fern
15:43:01 Jon Swartz, MDT
15:45:00 Rep. Fern
15:45:47 Jon Swartz, MDT
15:47:08 Vice Chair Garner
15:47:44 Rep. Windy Boy, HD 32
15:50:15 Vice Chair Garner
15:50:47 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:53:16 Rep. Krotkov
15:53:54 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:54:33 Rep. Krotkov
15:55:12 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:55:35 Rep. Krotkov
15:56:13 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:56:25 Rep. Fern
15:57:06 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:57:39 Rep. Fern
15:58:10 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:58:22 Rep. Dooling
15:58:42 Larry Flynn, MDT
15:58:54 Chair Loge
15:59:17 Commissioner DesRosier, Glacier County
16:00:56 Chair Loge
16:01:04 Commissioner DesRosier, Glacier County
16:01:10 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

16:01:22 Rep. Windy Boy

HEARING ON HB 393**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:04:10 Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R), HD 27, opened the hearing on HB 393, Change truck speed limits.

[EXHIBIT\(trh30a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh30a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh30a04\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

16:07:05 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:13:13 Rep. Fern
16:14:04 Spook Stang, MCM
16:14:22 Rep. Fern
16:14:37 Rep. Kassmier
16:15:19 Vice Chair Garner
16:15:40 Rep. Kassmier
16:16:09 Vice Chair Garner
16:16:52 Joe Carroll, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
16:17:40 Rep. Garcia
16:18:17 Rep. Kassmier
16:18:44 Rep. Garcia
16:18:53 Rep. Greef
16:19:02 Chair Loge
16:19:05 Rep. Krotkov
16:19:40 Chair Loge
16:19:54 Rep. Fern
16:20:41 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

16:20:53 Rep. Kassmier

16:22:03 Chair Loge ceded the gavel to Vice Chair Smith.

HEARING ON HB 440**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:24:12 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 440, Revise special speed zone law.

Proponents' Testimony:

16:27:12 Dwane Kailey, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
16:30:00 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)
16:33:25 Roman Zylawy, self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:37:23 Vice Chair Garner
16:38:14 Rep. Loge
16:38:23 Vice Chair Garner
16:38:34 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:39:43 Rep. Fern
16:40:21 Dwane Kailey, MDT

16:40:28 Rep. Fern
16:41:23 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:42:52 Rep. Fern
16:43:34 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:43:57 Rep. Krotkov
16:44:12 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:44:36 Rep. Krotkov
16:44:40 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:44:45 Rep. Krotkov
16:45:05 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:45:19 Rep. Greef
16:45:45 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:47:17 Rep. Greef
16:47:22 Dwane Kailey, MDT
16:48:02 Rep. Fern
16:48:19 Madam Chair Smith
16:48:43 Dwane Kailey, MDT

Closing by Sponsor:

16:49:53 Rep. Loge

16:52:11 Rep. Loge resumed the Chair.
16:52:42 Chair Loge

16:53:48 Recessed
17:13:43 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 352

17:13:55 **Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **HB 352 DO PASS.**

17:14:25 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Fern made a substitute motion that **HB 352 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 76

17:15:02 **Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **SB 76 BE CONCURRED IN.**

17:15:30 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Garner made a substitute motion that **SB 76 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:15:58 Chair Loge

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:16:46

Kathlyn Royal, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh30aad.pdf](#))