

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on March 12, 2019 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, 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 525, 2/27/2019; HJ 10, 2/27/2019; SB 46, 2/27/2019; SB 72, 2/27/2019; SB 108, 2/27/2019

08:01:24 Chair Mandeville
08:04:52 Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Weatherwax arrived.
08:06:06 Chair Mandeville ceded the gavel to Rep. Winter.

HEARING ON SB 46

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:06:58 Sen. Jill Cohenour (D), SD 42, opened the hearing on SB 46, Revise laws related to distribution lists.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:10:40 Becky Dockter, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
08:13:35 Jason Rittal, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

08:14:10 Dana Corson, Secretary of State's Office (SOS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:14:35 Rep. Garner
08:15:10 Sen. Cohenour
08:15:18 Rep. Garner
08:15:34 Rep. Mandeville
08:15:53 Sen. Cohenour
08:16:26 Rep. Mandeville
08:16:30 Sen. Cohenour
08:16:46 Rep. Sales
08:17:24 Dana Corson, SOS
08:17:39 Rep. Sales
08:17:53 Sen. Cohenour

Closing by Sponsor:

08:18:41 Sen. Cohenour
08:19:26 Rep. Mandeville

HEARING ON SB 72

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:19:45 Sen. Jon Sesso (D), SD 37, opened the hearing on SB 72, Revising supplemental notice laws in the Montana Administrative Procedure Act.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:23:09 Rep. Mandeville

08:23:44 Sen. Sesso

Closing by Sponsor:

08:25:32 Sen. Sesso

08:26:40 Rep. Mandeville

HEARING ON HJ 10

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:27:44 Rep. Alan Doane (R), HD 36, opened the hearing on HJ 10, Study resolution to address American Indian voting.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:28:33 Jason Smith, Director of Indian Affairs, Governor's Office (GO)

08:29:06 Jason Rittal, Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders (MACR)

08:29:40 Susan Fenner, Montana Native Vote

08:30:02 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

08:30:51 Dana Corson, Secretary of State's Office (SOS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:31:15 Rep. Mandeville

08:31:22 Vice Chair McKamey arrived.

08:31:56 Rep. Doane

08:32:04 Vice Chair Bachmeier left the meeting.

08:32:36 Rep. Mandeville

08:32:51 Rep. Doane

Closing by Sponsor:

08:33:07 Rep. Doane

08:34:29 Recessed.

08:41:24 Reconvened.

HEARING ON SB 108

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:41:59 Sen. Jon Sesso (D), SD 37, opened the hearing on SB 108, Increase contract/procurement limits for competitive bidding for state buildings.

08:43:48 Rep. Sales returned to the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:46:44 Russ Katherman, Department of Administration (DOA)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a01\)](#)

08:49:50 Darryl James, American Institute of Architects, Montana (AIA), Montana Society of Engineers (MSE)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:50:49 Rep. Shaw
08:51:45 Sen. Sesso
08:51:55 Russ Katherman, DOA
08:53:08 Rep. Hayman
08:54:03 Russ Katherman, DOA
08:56:24 Rep. Shaw
08:56:43 Russ Katherman, DOA
08:58:10 Rep. Dooling
08:58:31 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:00:12 Rep. Garcia
09:00:24 Russ Katherman, DOA

Closing by Sponsor:

09:00:48 Sen. Sesso

HEARING ON HB 525

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:02:30 Rep. Zach Brown (D), HD 63, opened the hearing on HB 525, Eliminate termination date for high performance buildings program.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:09:37 Sen. Sesso

09:11:03 Rep. Garner returned to the meeting.

09:11:16 Russ Katherman, Department of Administration (DOA)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a03\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:18:37 Rep. Shaw
09:19:17 Rep. Z. Brown
09:19:35 Rep. Shaw
09:19:41 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:20:04 Rep. Shaw
09:20:34 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:20:56 Vice Chair McKamey
09:21:29 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:22:01 Vice Chair McKamey
09:22:21 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:22:45 Vice Chair McKamey
09:23:34 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:24:01 Rep. Webb
09:24:32 Rep. Z. Brown
09:24:48 Rep. Webb
09:24:54 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:25:43 Rep. Sales
09:26:18 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:27:37 Rep. Mandeville
09:28:00 Russ Katherman, DOA
09:28:32 Rep. Mandeville
09:28:48 Russ Katherman, ODA
09:28:59 Rep. Mandeville
09:29:05 Rep. Z. Brown
09:30:11 Rep. Garner
09:30:30 Rep. Z. Brown

Closing by Sponsor:

09:33:15 Rep. Z. Brown

09:35:36 Rep. Mandeville

09:36:05 Chair Winter

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 09:36:22

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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