

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Geraldine Custer, on March 14, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Geraldine Custer, Chair (R)
Rep. Dave Fern, Vice Chair (D)
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. Theresa Manzella (R)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
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: SB 198, 2/28/2019; SB 243, 2/28/2019

HEARING ON SB 243**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:00:30 Sen. Janet Ellis (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 243, Generally revise laws related to maintenance districts.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:03:33 Kelly Lynch, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)
EXHIBIT(loh52a01)

15:08:09 Dave Palmer, City and County of Butte-Silverbow
15:08:45 Glenn Jorgenson, City of Helena
15:10:57 Eileen Joyce, City and County of Butte-Silverbow
15:12:04 Danette Gleason, City and County of Butte-Silverbow

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:13:27 Rep. Manzella
15:13:50 Sen. Ellis
15:14:04 Kelly Lynch, MLCT
15:14:31 Rep. Manzella
15:14:45 Kelly Lynch, MLCT
15:15:32 Vice Chair Fern
15:16:29 Glenn Jorgenson, City of Helena
15:17:26 Vice Chair Fern
15:18:04 Glenn Jorgenson, City of Helena
15:19:03 Vice Chair Gunderson
15:19:21 Glenn Jorgenson, City of Helena

Closing by Sponsor:

15:20:41 Sen. Ellis

HEARING ON SB 198**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:23:03 Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 198, Providing legal access to parcels exempt from subdivision review.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:24:52 Greg Chilcott, Commissioner, Ravalli County
15:26:52 Tara DePuy, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
EXHIBIT(loh52a02)

15:34:43 Kelly Lynch, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)

Opponents' Testimony:

15:35:28 Mike Lapp, Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors (MARLS)

15:39:54 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)
15:41:29 Stuart Doggett, Montana Land Title Association (MTLA)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:42:59 Rep. Garner
15:43:43 Kelly Lynch, MLCT
15:44:48 Rep. Manzella
15:45:53 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:48:34 Rep. Garner
15:49:10 Sam Sill, MAR
15:50:12 Rep. Garner
15:50:51 Sam Sill, MAR
15:51:23 Rep. Garner
15:51:51 Sam Sill, MAR
15:52:19 Rep. Pope
15:52:25 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:56:23 Rep. Pope
15:56:45 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:57:10 Rep. Pope
15:57:15 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:57:23 Rep. Pope
15:58:09 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:58:55 Rep. Pope
15:59:00 Tara DePuy, MACo
15:59:09 Vice Chair Gunderson
15:59:31 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:00:24 Vice Chair Gunderson
16:00:29 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:00:37 Vice Chair Gunderson
16:01:10 Commissioner Chilcott, Ravalli County
16:01:40 Vice Chair Gunderson
16:01:45 Commissioner Chilcott, Ravalli County
16:01:53 Vice Chair Fern
16:02:45 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:03:52 Rep. Marler
16:05:19 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:06:34 Rep. Manzella
16:06:56 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:07:38 Chair Custer
16:08:19 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:09:52 Chair Custer
16:10:21 Tara DePuy, MACo
16:11:08 Chair Custer
16:12:12 Mike Lapp, MARLS
16:13:39 Chair Custer
16:14:14 Mike Lapp, MARLS

Closing by Sponsor:

16:14:41 Sen. Jason Ellsworth

[EXHIBIT](#)(loh52a03)

16:22:54 Chair Custer

[EXHIBIT](#)(loh52a04)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:24:16

Chris Bushnell, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh52aad.pdf](#))