

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on March 18, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Sue Vinton, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Greg DeVries (R)
Rep. John Fuller (R)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Clerk
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 9, 3/11/2019; SB 60, 3/11/2019; HB 648, 3/11/2019

Executive Action: SB 8, SB 9, SB 12, SB 292

15:03:28 Chair Berglee

HEARING ON SB 60

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:03:43 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 60, Generally revise laws related to financial aid programs.

15:04:02 Vice Chair Vinton left the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:08:26 Tyler Trevor, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

15:08:49 Eric Feaver, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

15:09:38 Sam Fortag, Montana Associated Students

15:10:30 Brenna Love, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM),
Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPRIG)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:11:33 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

15:12:00 Sen. Salomon

15:12:17 Vice Chair Vinton entered the meeting.

HEARING ON SB 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:13:38 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 9, Revise school funding related to overestimated ANB increases.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:15:19 Rick Duncan, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:16:28 Kara Flath, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:16:44 Rep. Fuller

15:17:09 Sen. Salomon

15:17:33 Chair Berglee

15:17:48 Sen. Salomon

15:17:59 Kara Flath, OPI

15:18:03 Chair Berglee

15:18:07 Kara Flath, OPI

Closing by Sponsor:

15:18:15 Sen. Salomon

HEARING ON HB 648

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:18:55 Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 648, Create state program to incentivize school breakfast program.

EXHIBIT(edh55a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

15:23:16 Siri Smillie, Governor's Office
15:27:21 Linda Cleatus, Montana No Kid Hungry (MT-NKH)
15:31:52 Tamy Lacey, Superintendent, Great Falls Public Schools
15:32:08 Rep. Schreiner entered the meeting.
15:37:58 Tobin Novasio, Superintendent, Lockwood Schools
15:43:57 Micah Kemper, Montana No Kid Hungry (MT-NKH)
15:47:22 Lynne Keenan, Browning Public Schools, Montana School Nutrition Association (SNA)
15:51:51 Meghan Harrington, Self
15:52:05 Rep. Bishop entered the meeting.
15:55:18 Kim Gilchrist, Community Food and Ag Coalition (CFAC), Montana Partnership to End Childhood Hunger (MontPEC)

EXHIBIT(edh55a02)

15:58:42 Dr. Jane Gillette, Eat Right Montana
16:03:36 Pastor David Anderson, Montana Association of Christians (MAC)
16:04:15 Eric Feaver, Montana Federation of Public Employee (MFPE)
16:04:46 Seanna Pieper-Jordan, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)

EXHIBIT(edh55a03)

16:07:54 Steve Meloy, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)
16:09:00 Rick Duncan, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

16:10:14 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instructions (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:11:16 Rep. Grubbs
16:11:54 Chirs Emerson, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
16:12:08 Rep. Grubbs
16:12:13 Chris Emerson, OPI
16:12:30 Rep. Grubbs

16:12:42 Vice Chair Vinton
16:13:32 Tobin Novasio, Superintendent, Lockwood Schools

Closing by Sponsor:

16:14:20 Rep. Farris-Olsen

16:15:00 Chair Berglee
16:15:43 Recessed.
16:42:17 Reconvened with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Keogh and Rep. Runningwolf excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 8

16:42:28 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 8 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:42:44 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
16:43:11 Rep. Fuller

16:43:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Bishop, Rep. Funk, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Schreiner voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hertz, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy. Rep. Fuller will carry the bill.

16:44:44 Chair Berglee

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 9

16:45:13 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 9 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:45:20 Chair Berglee

16:45:39 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hertz, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy. Rep. Grubbs will carry the bill.

16:46:40 Chair Berglee

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 12

16:47:06 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 12 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:47:16 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

16:47:49 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 12 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(edh55a04)

Discussion:

16:48:07 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

16:48:32 Vice Chair Funk

16:49:21 Chair Berglee

16:50:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bishop, Rep. Funk, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Schreiner voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hertz, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

16:51:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 12 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 16-1 by voice vote with Rep. Bachmeier voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hertz, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy. Rep. Grubbs will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 292

16:52:43 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **SB 292 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:52:54 Chair Berglee

16:53:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hertz, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Keogh, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Runningwolf, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy. Rep. Beard will carry the bill.

16:53:44 Chair Berglee

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:54:31

Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh55aad.pdf](#))