

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Forrest Mandeville, on March 22, 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. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Jade Bahr (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. Mark Sweeney (D)  
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)  
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)  
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary  
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

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**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 257, 3/12/2019; SB 258, 3/12/2019; SJ 10, 3/12/2019;  
SB 275, 03/13,2019  
Executive Action: HB 339, HB 637, HB 642, HJ 11, HJ 23, SB 3, SB 14, SB 89,  
SB 98, SB 161

08:00:32 Chair Mandeville

**HEARING ON SB 275**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:02:12 Sen. Albert Olszewski (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB275, Authorize Judy Martz statue or bust in capitol or on grounds.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

08:03:06 Steve Baiamonte, Department of Administration (DOA)  
08:04:02 Haley Beaudry, Self  
08:07:12 Webb Brown, Self

**EXHIBIT(sth59a01)**

08:09:06 Dave Galt, Self  
**EXHIBIT(sth59a02)**

08:12:25 Ed Bartlett, Self  
08:13:49 Jean Branscum, Self  
08:17:22 Bud Clinch, Self  
08:21:59 Jeff Mangan, Self  
08:22:37 Brian Ohs, Self

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

08:23:43 Vice Chair McKamey  
08:24:22 Steve Baiamonte, DOA  
08:24:50 Vice Chair McKamey  
08:25:29 Steve Baiamonte, DOA

**Closing by Sponsor:**

08:26:16 Sen. Olszewski

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 275**

08:28:37 Vice Chair McKamey moved that SB 275 be concurred in.

**Discussion:**

08:28:56 Rep. Garner  
08:30:35 Rep. Shaw

08:32:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-0 by voice vote. Rep. McKamey will carry the bill.

**HEARING ON SB 257**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:33:06 Sen. Mike Cuffe (R), SD 1, opened the hearing on SB257, Revise laws related to the Upper Columbia Conservation Commission.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

08:38:16 Mark Bostrom, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)  
[EXHIBIT\(sth59a03\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

08:40:42 Abigail St. Lawrence, Rocky Mountain Stockgrowers Association (RMSGGA)

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

08:45:28 Vice Chair McKamey  
08:46:23 Sen. Cuffe  
08:49:02 Rep. Sales  
08:50:01 Sen. Cuffe  
08:51:51 Rep. Sales  
08:51:58 Mark Bostrom, DNRC  
08:53:41 Rep. Hayman  
08:54:27 Mark Bostrom, DNRC  
08:54:38 Rep. Hayman  
08:54:42 Chair Mandeville  
08:54:50 Rep. Hayman  
08:55:10 Mark Bostrom, DNRC  
08:55:42 Rep. Hayman  
08:55:57 Mark Bostrom, DNRC  
08:56:08 Rep. Hayman  
08:56:16 Sen. Cuffe  
08:57:24 Rep. Runningwolf  
08:58:18 Sen. Cuffe  
08:58:33 Rep. Sweeney  
08:59:37 Abigail St. Lawrence, Rocky Mountain Stockgrowers Association (RMSGGA)  
09:01:10 Chair Mandeville  
09:01:36 Sen. Cuffe  
09:01:48 Chair Mandeville  
09:02:12 Sen. Cuffe  
09:02:21 Chair Mandeville  
09:02:35 Sen. Cuffe  
09:03:21 Rep. Sweeney  
09:04:04 Sen. Cuffe

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:04:44 Sen. Cuffe

**HEARING ON SB 258**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:05:17 Sen. Mike Cuffe (R), SD 1, opened the hearing on SB258, Allowing a political committee's officer to appear on election attribution.

09:06:14 Chair Mandeville ceded the gavel to Vice Chair McKamey

**Proponents' Testimony:**

09:09:13 Jeff Mangan, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:10:48 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
09:11:13 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:11:33 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
09:11:51 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:12:51 Rep. Sales  
09:13:43 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:14:37 Rep. Sales  
09:15:02 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:15:13 Rep. Custer  
09:15:59 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:17:05 Rep. Custer  
09:17:49 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
09:18:34 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:18:53 Rep. Bachmeier  
09:20:23 Sen. Cuffe  
09:22:36 Rep. Bachmeier  
09:23:06 Rep. Dooling  
09:23:29 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:23:54 Rep. Dooling  
09:24:03 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:24:51 Rep. Dooling  
09:24:57 Commissioner Mangan, COPP  
09:25:29 Rep. Webb  
09:26:09 Sen. Cuffe  
09:27:00 Rep. Sales  
09:27:42 Sen. Cuffe  
09:27:51 Rep. Sales  
09:27:58 Commissioner Mangan, COPP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:29:21 Sen. Cuffe

09:30:14 Chair Mandeville resumed as the Chair.

**HEARING ON SJ 10**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:30:23 Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R), SD 19, opened the hearing on SJ 10, Designate national day of the cowboy.

[EXHIBIT\(sth59a04\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

09:32:23 Bethany Braley, Self

[EXHIBIT\(sth59a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth59a06\)](#)

09:40:36 Ted Valentiner, Self

09:43:40 Brian Ohs, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA), Montana CattleWomen Association

09:44:35 Abigail St. Lawrence, Self

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:47:12 Rep. Garcia

09:47:42 Bethany Braley

09:48:14 Rep. Garcia

09:48:59 Chair Mandeville

09:49:14 Sen. Bogner

09:49:57 Chair Mandeville

09:50:11 Sen. Bogner

09:50:31 Sen. Sweeney

09:50:55 Sen. Bogner

09:51:19 Vice Chair McKamey

09:51:43 Sen. Bogner

09:52:00 Rep. McKamey

09:52:13 Sen. Bogner

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:52:41 Sen. Bogner

09:53:20 Chair Mandeville

09:53:32 Rep. Custer

09:53:56 Rep. Karjala arrived.

09:55:08 Rep. Bachmeier

09:55:54 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

09:59:11 Recessed.  
10:34:21 Reconvened with Rep. Mortensen excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 637**

10:34:30 **Motion:** Rep. Runningwolf moved that **HB 637 DO PASS.**  
10:35:53 **Motion:** Rep. Runningwolf moved that **HB 637 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(sth59a07)**

**Discussion:**

10:36:13 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
10:37:23 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Mandeville and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.  
10:38:32 **Motion:** Rep. Runningwolf moved that **HB 637 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(sth59a08)**

**Discussion:**

10:39:00 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
10:41:15 Rep. Runningwolf  
10:41:35 Rep. Sales  
10:41:45 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
10:42:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.  
10:42:22 **Motion:** Rep. Runningwolf moved that **HB 637 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

10:42:37 Rep. Runningwolf  
10:44:54 Rep. Weatherwax  
10:46:20 Chair Mandeville  
10:47:15 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Runningwolf, Rep. Sweeney, Rep. Weatherwax and Rep. Winter voting aye. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.  
10:48:19 **Motion/Vote:** Without objection, Rep. McKamey moved that **HB 637 BE TABLED.** Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 642**

10:49:15 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HB 642 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

10:49:32 Sheri Scurr, LSD

10:49:53 Rep. Sales

10:51:10 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Fleming, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Mortensen and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 11**

10:52:17 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HJ 11 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

10:52:42 Sheri Scurr, LSD

10:52:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Dooling, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Runningwolf, Rep. Sweeney, Rep. Weatherwax and Rep. Winter voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 23**

10:54:07 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HJ 23 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

10:54:30 Sheri Scurr, LSD

10:54:36 **Motion:** Rep. Hayman moved that **HJ 23 BE AMENDED.**

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(sth59a09\)\*\*](#)

**Discussion:**

10:54:55 Rep. Hayman

10:55:54 Rep. Karjala

10:56:06 Vice Chair McKamey

10:56:24 Chair Mandeville

10:56:30 Sheri Scurr, LSD

10:56:43 Rep. Custer

10:57:08 Sheri Scurr, LSD

10:57:14 Rep. Karjala

10:57:40 Chair Mandeville

10:58:17 Rep. Hayman

10:59:24 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Runningwolf, Rep. Sweeney, Rep. Weatherwax and Rep. Winter voting aye. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

11:00:34 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. P. Webb moved that **HJ 23 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(sth59a10)**

11:01:28 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HJ 23 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

**Discussion:**

11:01:48 Rep. Garner

11:02:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 14**

11:03:02 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 14 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

11:03:11 Sheri Scurr, LSD

11:03:37 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy. Rep. Hamlett will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 89**

11:04:05 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 89 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy. Rep. Hayman will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 98**

11:05:16 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 98 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

11:05:24 Sheri Scurr, LSD

11:05:51 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy. Rep. Bachmeier will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 161**

11:06:30 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 161 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

11:07:01 Sheri Scurr, LSD

11:07:13 **Motion/Vote:** Without objection, Rep. Garner moved that **SB 161 BE TABLED.**  
Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 339**

11:07:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Garner moved that **HB 339 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**  
Motion carried 18-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Garcia voting no.

11:09:09 **Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **HB 339 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

11:09:11 Sheri Scurr, LSD

11:09:27 **Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **HB 339 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(sth59a11\)](#)

**Discussion:**

11:09:53 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
11:10:35 Rep. Garner

11:11:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Fleming and Rep. Garcia voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

11:12:14 **Motion:** Rep. P. Webb moved that **HB 339 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(sth59a12\)](#)

**Discussion:**

11:12:38 Rep. Bahr

11:13:47 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. Runningwolf, Rep. Sweeney, Rep. Weatherwax and Rep. Winter voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

11:14:48 **Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **HB 339 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

11:15:11 Rep. Garner

11:15:27 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Dooling, Rep. Fleming, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Greef, Rep. Mandeville and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 3**

11:16:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 3 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**  
Motion carried 19-0 by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen was excused.

11:16:58 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 3 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

11:17:04 Sheri Scurr, LSD

11:17:15 Chair Mandeville

11:17:56 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mortensen voted by proxy. Rep. Bahr will carry the bill.

11:18:28 Chair Mandeville

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:19:37

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Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional document

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([sth59aad.pdf](#))