

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Forrest Mandeville, on April 3, 2019 at 8:00 AM, 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. 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. Jessica Karjala (D)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. Walt Sales (R)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)  
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)  
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)  
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Jade Bahr (D)  
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (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 53, 4/2/2019  
Executive Action: HJ 39, SB 236, SB 291, SB 53, SJ 9

08:04:00 Chair Mandeville

### **HEARING ON SB 53**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:06:06 Sen. Jon Sesso (D), SD 37, opened the hearing on SB53, Revise meal reimbursement for public employees.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

08:10:53 Harold Blattie, Self

[EXHIBIT\(sth69a01\)](#)

08:23:16 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana

08:24:52 Harold Blattie, Self and Erik Bryson of Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

08:25:21 Mike Manion, Department of Administration (DOA), Governor's Office (GO)

**Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

08:28:05 Rep. Garner  
08:28:27 Sen. Sesso  
08:31:25 Rep. Garner  
08:31:46 Sen. Sesso  
08:32:41 Rep. Mortensen  
08:33:03 Sen. Sesso  
08:34:06 Chair Mandeville  
08:34:12 Rep. Mortensen  
08:34:19 Harold Blattie, Self  
08:34:42 Rep. Custer  
08:35:09 Sen. Sesso  
08:36:13 Rep. Winter  
08:36:57 Sen. Sesso  
08:39:54 Chair Mandeville  
08:40:00 Harold Blattie, Self  
08:41:11 Chair Mandeville  
08:41:37 Sen. Sesso  
08:42:32 Chair Mandeville  
08:43:02 Sen. Sesso  
08:43:55 Chair Mandeville  
08:44:12 Sen. Sesso  
08:45:29 Rep. Greef  
08:45:49 Sen. Sesso

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

08:46:54 Sen. Sesso

08:49:57 Recessed.

09:23:10 Reconvened with Rep. Bahr and Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf excused.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 39**

09:23:23 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **HJ 39 DO PASS**. Motion carried 18-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman and Rep. Winter voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 236**

09:25:30 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 236 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy. Rep. McKamey will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 291**

09:27:10 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 291 BE CONCURRED IN**.

09:27:47 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 291 BE AMENDED**.  
[EXHIBIT\(sth69a02\)](#)

**Discussion:**

09:28:09 Vice Chair McKamey  
09:29:39 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
09:29:56 Vice Chair McKamey  
09:30:09 Chair Mandeville

09:30:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy.

09:30:43 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 291 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

**Discussion:**

09:30:59 Chair Mandeville  
09:32:48 Rep. Custer  
09:34:34 Rep. Hayman  
09:35:07 Rep. Winter

09:35:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy. Rep. McKamey will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 9**

09:36:44 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SJ 9 BE CONCURRED IN**.

09:37:13 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SJ 9 BE AMENDED**.  
[EXHIBIT\(sth69a03\)](#)

**Discussion:**

- 09:37:29 Chair Mandeville  
 09:38:15 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
 09:38:39 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
 09:39:16 Rep. Sweeney  
 09:39:52 Vice Chair McKamey
- 09:41:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Garner, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. W. Sales, Rep. Shaw, Rep. Sweeney and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy.
- 09:42:35 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SJ 9 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 18-2 by voice vote with Rep. Garcia and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy. Rep. Bachmeier will carry the bill.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS:**

- 09:43:59 Chair Mandeville  
 09:44:42 Vice Chair McKamey  
 09:45:01 Rep. Hayman  
 09:45:27 Sheri Scurr, LSD  
 09:47:42 Chair Mandeville  
 09:48:16 Vice Chair Bachmeier  
 09:48:23 Vice Chair McKamey

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 53**

- 09:49:50 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE CONCURRED IN.**
- 09:50:32 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(sth69a04\)](#)

**Discussion:**

- 09:50:58 Rep. Garner  
 09:51:43 Chair Mandeville  
 09:51:45 Rep. Garner  
 09:52:10 Without objection, Rep. McKamey **MOVED TO WITHDRAW THE MOTION TO AMEND.**
- 09:52:27 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(sth69a05\)](#)  
[EXHIBIT\(sth69a06\)](#)
- 09:52:54 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Garner moved that **SECTION 2 OF AMENDMENT SB005302.ASB BE SEGREGATED AND THAT SECTION 2 BE PASSED.**

09:54:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-2 by voice vote with Rep. Dooling and Rep. Hayman voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy.

09:54:44 Rep. Garner  
09:54:54 Sheri Scurr, LSD

09:55:08 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

09:55:28 Rep. Dooling  
09:55:56 Vice Chair McKamey  
09:56:48 Harold Blattie, Self  
09:57:36 Vice Chair McKamey  
09:58:00 Chair Mandeville  
09:58:12 Rep. Garner

09:58:33 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE AMENDED BY ADDING SECTION 1 OF AMENDMENT SB005302.ASB.**

**Discussion:**

09:59:04 Rep. Custer

09:59:19 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Dooling, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. Mortensen and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy.

10:00:37 **Motion:** Rep. McKamey moved that **SB 53 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

10:00:51 Rep. Webb  
10:01:09 Chair Mandeville  
10:01:15 Rep. Custer  
10:01:53 Chair Mandeville

10:02:16 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Dooling, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. Mortensen and Rep. P. Webb voting no. Rep. Bahr, Rep. Fleming and Rep. Runningwolf voted by proxy. Rep. Bachmeier will carry the bill.

10:04:28 Chair Mandeville  
10:04:36 Vice Chair McKamey  
10:04:46 Rep. Shaw

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:05:27

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Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT**([sth69aad.pdf](#))