

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Steve Fitzpatrick, on January 18, 2019 at 8:00 AM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Chair (R)
Sen. Dee Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Sue Malek, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Jason W. Ellsworth (R)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. Jason D. Small (R)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jacelyn Stewart, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, 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: SB 74, 1/8/2019; SB 77, 1/8/2019

Executive Action: SB 13- Be Tabled
SB 25 - Do Pass
SB 27- Be Tabled
SB 55- Do Pass As Amended
SB 63 - Do Pass As Amended
SB 75- Do Pass
SB 54 - Amended

HEARING ON SB 77

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:02:33 Sen. Mary McNally (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 77, Implement audit recommendations for certain licensing boards, voc rehab, UI.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:06:21 Sen. Dee Brown, SD 2

08:06:56 Judy Bovington, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

EXHIBIT(bus10a01)

08:11:48 Todd Younkin, DLI

08:12:07 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

08:13:31 Jenny Erdahl, Legislative Audit Division

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:14:21 Chair Fitzpatrick

08:14:39 Mr. Sill, MAR

08:15:11 Mark Simonich, MAR

08:19:24 Chair Fitzpatrick

08:19:39 Ms. Bovington, DLI

08:20:39 Sen. Malek

08:21:02 Mr. Younkin, DLI

08:22:47 Sen. Boland

08:23:30 Mr. Simonich

Closing by Sponsor:

08:24:52 Sen. McNally

HEARING ON SB 74

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:25:52 Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D), SD 39, opened the hearing on SB 74, Revise authorization language on fingerprinting under certain licensing, UI laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:28:09 Judy Bovington, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

EXHIBIT(bus10a02)

08:30:12 Brenda Nordlund, DLI

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:32:28 Sen. Boland
 08:32:55 Ms. Bovington, DLI

Closing by Sponsor:

08:33:44 Sen. Vuckovich

08:35:18 Chair Fitzpatrick
[EXHIBIT\(bus10a03\)](#)

08:35:29 Sen. Brown
 08:35:57 Chair Fitzpatrick

8:36:01 Recess
 8:57:50 Reconvene

Sen. Smith did not return to the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 13

08:58:03 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 13 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

08:58:16 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
[EXHIBIT\(bus10a04\)](#)

08:59:54 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 13 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:00:13 Sen. Brown
 09:00:29 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:00:36 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:00:55 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 13 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:01:04 Sen. Malek
 09:03:03 Sen. Small

09:03:41 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Boland, Sen. Malek, Sen. Small, Sen. F. Smith and Sen. Vuckovich voting aye. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:04:36 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 13 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 6-4 by voice vote with Sen. Boland, Sen. Malek, Sen. F. Smith and Sen. Vuckovich voting no. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 25

09:05:39 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 25 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 27

09:06:36 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 27 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

09:06:42 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:06:50 Mr. Walker, LSD

EXHIBIT(bus10a05)

09:07:33 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 27 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

09:07:40 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:08:33 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:08:40 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 27 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

09:08:49 Sen. Ellsworth

09:10:36 Sen. Malek

09:11:49 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:11:55 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Boland, Sen. Fitzpatrick, Sen. Malek, Sen. F. Smith and Sen. Vuckovich voting aye. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:12:42 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 27 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 6-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Boland, Sen. Malek, Sen. F. Smith and Sen. Vuckovich voting no. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 54

09:13:57 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 54 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

09:14:05 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:14:13 Mr. Walker

09:14:59 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:15:06 Mr. Walker

09:15:26 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 54 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

09:15:37 Mr. Walker

[EXHIBIT\(bus10a06\)](#)

09:16:53 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:16:59 Sen. Brown

09:17:08 Mr. Walker

09:17:30 Sen. Brown

09:17:51 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:17:59 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:18:14 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 54 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:18:22 Sen. Malek

09:19:13 Without objection, Sen. D. Brown withdrew the DO PASS AS AMENDED motion.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 55

09:19:50 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 55 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

09:20:21 Mr. Walker

09:20:45 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:20:53 Mr. Walker

09:21:32 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 55 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:21:44 Mr. Walker

[EXHIBIT\(bus10a07\)](#)

09:22:36 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:22:39 Sen. Brown

09:23:08 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:23:28 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:23:47 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 55 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 63

09:24:25 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 63 DO PASS.**

09:24:30 Chair Fitzpatrick

[EXHIBIT\(bus10a08\)](#)

09:24:53 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 63 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:25:27 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 63 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 75

09:26:03 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 75 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

09:26:08 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:26:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. F. Smith voted by proxy.

09:26:36 Chair Fitzpatrick

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:27 AM

Jacelyn Stewart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([bus10aad.pdf](#))