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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Brian Hoven, on January 24, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Brian Hoven, Chair (R)
Sen. Frank Smith, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)
Sen. Albert Olszewski (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Mike Lang, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch
Jack Racicot, 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 133, 1/21/2019; SB 91, 1/21/2019
Executive Action: SB 68 - Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 91

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:01:10 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 91, Revise weight limit laws for fertilizer.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:02:06 Bruce Tutvedt, Tutvedt Farms
15:04:50 John Semple, Montana Grain Growers Association
15:05:24 Cindy Palmer, Montana Farmers Union
15:05:43 Sen. Ellis entered the room.

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:05:59 Sen. MacDonald
15:06:34 Mr. Tutvedt, Tutvedt Farms
15:08:37 Sen. MacDonald
15:09:08 Mr. Tutvedt
15:09:33 Sen. Webber
15:09:54 Mr. Tutvedt
15:10:19 Sen. Webber
15:10:44 Mr. Tutvedt
15:11:28 Sen. Ellis
15:12:09 Mr. Tutvedt
15:13:33 Sen. Ellis

Closing by Sponsor:

15:14:23 Sen. Salomon

HEARING ON SB 133

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:15:34 Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R), SD 9, opened the hearing on SB 133, Revise eligibility for livestock loss payments.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:18:01 Chelcie Cargill, Montana Farm Bureau Federation
15:19:30 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association
15:20:39 Austin James, Montana Wool Growers Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:21:13 George Edwards, Livestock Loss Board (LLB)
15:23:08 Gordy Conn, Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:23:28 Sen. Ellis
15:24:51 Mr. Edwards, LLB
15:25:47 Sen. Ellis
15:26:39 Mr. Edwards
15:30:10 Sen. Salomon
15:30:29 Mr. Edwards
15:30:32 Sen. Webber
15:30:44 Mr. Edwards
15:31:35 Sen. Smith
15:32:01 Mr. Edwards
15:32:46 Sen. Webber
15:33:16 Mr. Edwards

Closing by Sponsor:

15:35:17 Sen. Gillespie

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 68

15:35:50 Jason Mohr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:36:28 **Motion:** Sen. Gillespie moved that **SB 68 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:36:49 Mr. Mohr, LSD

15:37:20 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Gillespie moved that **SB 68 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote. Sen. Bogner, Sen. Lang and Sen. Osmundson were excused.

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15:40:10 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Gillespie moved that **SB 68 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 8-0 by voice vote. Sen. Bogner, Sen. Lang and Sen. Osmundson were excused.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:41 PM

Jack Racicot, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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