

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Daniel R. Salomon, on January 30, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Keith Regier, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary
Padraic McCracken, 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 131, 1/22/2019
Executive Action: SB 12, Do Pass; SB 40, Be Amended

15:00:44 Vice Chair Regier assumed the role of the Chair.

HEARING ON SB 131

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:02:09 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 131, Generally revise WICHE/WWAMI laws.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

15:04:14 Tracy Ellig, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

EXHIBIT(eds18a01)

15:08:54 Mark Albrecht, Montana Veterinary Medical Association

15:10:48 Jonathon Griffin, Montana Medical Association

15:13:27 Sen. Salomon entered the hearing.

15:15:19 Chelcie Cargill, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

EXHIBIT(eds18a02)

15:18:46 Joan Marie McMahon, physician

15:21:02 Dick Brown, Montana Hospital Association

EXHIBIT(eds18a03)

15:23:25 Brian Ohs, Montana Stockgrowers Association

15:24:28 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Regional Health Care

15:25:32 Sam Forstag, Montana Associated Students

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:28:15 Sen. McClafferty

15:28:45 Mr. Ellig, OCHE

15:34:55 Chair Regier

15:42:10 Mr. Ellig

15:42:49 Sen. Blasdel

15:43:27 Mr. Ellig

Closing by Sponsor:

15:44:40 Sen. Webb

15:48:43 Chair Regier

15:48:49 Sen. Salomon resumed the role of the Chair.

15:49:50 Brief Recess

15:58:21 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 12

15:58:43 Chair Salomon

15:58:59 **Motion:** Sen. K. Regier moved that **SB 12 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:59:14 Chair Salomon

16:00:18 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 40

16:00:35 **Motion:** Sen. K. Regier moved that **SB 40 DO PASS.**

16:01:31 **Motion:** Sen. McClafferty moved that **SB 40 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(eds18a04)

Discussion:

16:02:14 Sen. McClafferty

16:02:18 Chair Salomon

16:02:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

16:03:06 **Motion:** Sen. McClafferty moved that **SB 40 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(eds18a05)

Discussion:

16:03:29 Padraic McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

16:04:26 Chair Salomon

16:04:31 Sen. Boland

16:04:55 Mr. McCracken, LSD

16:05:24 Chair Salomon

16:06:19 Sen. Bogner

16:06:28 Chair Salomon

16:06:52 Sen. Regier

16:07:04 Mr. McCracken

16:07:45 Sen. Regier

16:07:59 **Motion:** Sen. K. Regier moved that **SB 40 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

16:08:12 **Motion:** Sen. McClafferty moved that **SB 40 BE AMENDED.**
See **Exhibit (5)**

Discussion:

16:08:40 Chair Salomon

16:08:46 Sen. Bogner

16:08:59 Sen. Regier

16:09:13 Sen. Bogner

16:09:24 Chair Salomon

16:10:07 Sen. Regier
16:10:27 Chair Salomon
16:10:37 Mr. McCracken
16:11:16 Chair Salomon
16:11:20 Sen. Bogner
16:11:41 Chair Salomon
16:11:53 Sen. Regier
16:12:04 Mr. McCracken
16:12:16 Chair Salomon

16:12:19 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

16:12:29 **Motion:** Sen. K. Regier moved that **SB 40 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

16:12:30 Chair Salomon

16:12:32 **Motion:** Sen McClafferty moved that **SB 40 BE AMENDED WITH A CONCEPTUAL AMENDMENT.**

Discussion:

16:13:09 Sen. Boland
16:13:30 Chair Salomon
16:14:18 Sen. Tempel
16:14:58 Chair Salomon
16:15:14 Sen. Webber
16:16:37 Chair Salomon
16:16:40 Sen. Regier
16:17:17 Chair Salomon
16:17:21 Mr. McCracken
16:17:59 Chair Salomon
16:18:03 Sen. Regier
16:18:34 Chair Salomon

16:18:37 Without objection, Sen. McClafferty withdrew her motion.

Discussion:

16:18:54 Chair Salomon
16:19:10 Mr. McCracken

16:20:05 Without objection, Chair Salomon proposed that the committee continue with discussion on SB 40 Do Pass As Amended on Monday, 2/04/2019.

16:21:02 Sen. McClafferty
16:21:19 Chair Salomon

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:21 PM

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([eds18aad.pdf](#))