

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Gordon Vance, on February 12, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Gordon Vance, Chair (R)  
Sen. Carlie Boland, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Bryce Bennett (D)  
Sen. Dee Brown (R)  
Sen. John Esp (R)  
Sen. Jen Gross (D)  
Sen. Diane Sands (D)  
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Roger Webb (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Noah Horan, Committee Secretary  
Laura Sankey Keip, 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 226, 2/8/2019

Executive Action: SB 158 DO PASS; SB 169 TABLED

15:00:26 Sen. Fitzpatrick assumed the chair.

15:00:37 Sen. Bennett entered the hearing.

**HEARING ON SB 226**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:01:03 Sen. Gordon Vance (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 226, Create transportation interim committee.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:01:55 Sen. Brown

15:02:23 Sen. Vance

15:02:33 Sen. Gross

15:02:56 Sen. Vance

15:03:10 Sen. Sands

15:03:26 Sen. Vance

15:03:29 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:03:45 Sen. Sands

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:04:00 Sen. Vance

15:04:11 Sen. Vance resumed the chair.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 158**

15:04:52 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **SB 158 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

15:05:03 Chair Vance

15:05:40 Sen. Brown

15:05:50 Chair Vance

15:06:13 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-1 by voice vote with Sen. Esp voting no. Sen. R. Webb voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 169**

15:06:47 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **SB 169 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

15:06:53 Chair Vance

15:07:47 Sen. Sands

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15:08:06 Sarah Garcia, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)  
15:09:05 Sen. Sands  
15:09:14 Dan Stanger, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)  
15:09:23 Sen. Sands  
15:09:42 Mr. Stanger, DOJ  
15:10:05 Sen. Boland  
15:10:27 Mr. Stanger  
15:11:09 Sen. Brown  
15:11:24 Mr. Stanger  
15:11:40 Sen. Gross

15:11:59 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Esp made a substitute motion that **SB 169 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 7-3 by roll call vote with Sen. D. Brown, Sen. Vance and Sen. R. Webb voting no. Sen. R. Webb voted by proxy.

15:13:01 Chair Vance  
15:13:12 Sen. Sands  
15:13:22 Chair Vance  
15:14:04 Sen. Sands  
15:14:11 Chair Vance  
15:14:18 Sen. Esp

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:15 PM

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Noah Horan, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([his29aad.pdf](#))