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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Dee Brown, on February 15, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dee Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Branch
Jacelyn Stewart, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 236, 2/11/2019; SJ 9, 2/11/2019; SJ 10, 2/11/2019; SR 30, 2/11/2019; SR 12, 2/11/2019

Executive Action: SB 128 - Be Tabled
SR 30 - Be Adopted
SR 12 - Be Adopted
SB 53 - Do Pass
SB 231 - Do Pass
SB 232 - Do Pass
SB 162 - Do Pass

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 128

15:00:47 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 128 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

Discussion:

15:01:11 Sen. Vance
15:01:31 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:01:58 Chair Brown

15:02:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-0 by voice vote. Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson were excused.

HEARING ON SB 236

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:02:45 Sen. Mary McNally (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 236, Require options to establish state property management strategy.

EXHIBIT(sts32a01)

15:02:55 Sen. Cuffe left the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:07:22 Steve Baiamonte, General Services Division, Department of Administration (DOA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:09:03 Shawn Thomas, Trust Land Management Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
15:09:42 John Harrington, Legislative Audit Division (LAD)
15:10:08 Mike Atwood, Trust Land Management Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:10:32 Sen. Bennett
15:10:56 Mr. Baiamonte, DOA
15:12:07 Mr. Harrington, LAD
15:13:28 Sen. Kary
15:14:06 Mr. Harrington

Closing by Sponsor:

15:14:32 Sen. McNally

HEARING ON SJ 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:15:48 Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SJ 9, Joint resolution supporting Taiwan relations.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:19:16 Sen. Scott Sales, SD 35
15:21:13 Rep. Bradley Tschida, HD 97

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:22:40 Sen. Bennett
15:23:11 Sen. Pomnichowski
15:23:35 Chair Brown

Closing by Sponsor:

15:23:48 Sen. Pomnichowski

HEARING ON SJ 10

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:24:29 Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R), SD 19, opened the hearing on SJ 10, Designate national day of the cowboy.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:26:13 Ted Valentiner, self
15:29:11 Brian Ohs, Montana Stockgrowers Association, Montana CattleWomen
15:30:44 Abigail St. Lawrence, self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:33:10 Sen. Kary
15:33:27 Mr. Valentiner, self
15:33:43 Chair Brown
15:33:52 Sen. Bennett
15:34:25 Mr. Valentiner
15:34:39 Sen. Bennett
15:34:50 Mr. Valentiner

EXHIBIT(sts32a02)

Closing by Sponsor:

15:35:19 Sen. Bogner

Chair Brown turned the duties and responsibilities of the chair over to Vice Chair Kary.

HEARING ON SR 30

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:36:24 Sen. Dee Brown (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SR 30, Confirm Governor's appointee to Facility Finance Authority.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

15:38:59 Sen. Brown

HEARING ON SR 12

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:39:23 Sen. Dee Brown (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SR 12, Confirm Governor's appointees to Montana facility finance authority.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:40:53 Sen. Kary

15:41:25 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

Closing by Sponsor:

15:41:44 Sen. Brown

15:42:11 Ms. Aldrich, LSD

Sen. Brown resumed the duties and responsibilities of the Chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 30

15:43:11 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SR 30 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 12

15:43:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SR 12 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 128

15:43:24 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 128 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 7-1 by roll call vote with Sen. D. Brown voting no. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 53

15:45:40 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 53 DO PASS**.

15:45:51 **Motion:** Sen. Bennett moved that **SB 53 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(sts32a03\)](#)

15:46:32 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

15:46:43 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 53 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 5-3 by voice vote with Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Osmundson and Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 162

15:48:18 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 162 DO PASS**.

15:48:36 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 162 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.
[EXHIBIT\(sts32a04\)](#)

15:49:59 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 162 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

15:50:37 **Motion:** Sen. Bennett moved that **SB 162 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(sts32a05\)](#)

Discussion:

15:51:07 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:51:30 Sen. Bennett
15:52:43 Sen. Kary
15:53:16 Chair Brown
15:53:25 Ms. Aldrich, LSD
15:53:43 Sen. Bennett
15:54:33 Chair Brown
15:54:59 Sen. Bennett
15:55:32 Sen. Vance

- 15:56:09 Chair Brown
- 15:56:27 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Ellis and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.
- 15:56:52 **Motion:** Sen. Bennett moved that **SB 162 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED.**
- 15:57:44 Sen. Ellis entered the meeting.

Discussion:

- 15:58:04 Chair Brown
- 15:58:15 Sen. Kary
- 15:58:33 Chair Brown
- 15:59:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Cuffe and Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.
- 15:59:15 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 162 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

- 15:59:20 Chair Brown
- 15:59:52 Sen. Vance
- 16:00:07 Sen. Cuffe entered the meeting.
- 16:00:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Osmundson and Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 231

- 16:01:08 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 231 DO PASS.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 232

- 16:01:57 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 232 DO PASS.**
- 16:02:19 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SB 232 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(sts32a06\)](#)

Discussion:

- 16:03:23 Sen. Bennett
- 16:03:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.
- 16:04:05 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SB 232 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Osmundson and Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

16:04:27 Sen. Vance

16:04:37 Chair Brown

16:04:47 Sen. Bennett

16:04:54 Chair Brown

[EXHIBIT\(sts32a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sts32a08\)](#)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:06 PM

Jacelyn Stewart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sts32aad.pdf](#))