

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Roger Webb, on February 22, 2019 at 8:00 AM, in Room 405
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Roger Webb, Chair (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Brian Hoven, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Tom Richmond (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)
Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, 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 265, 2/19/2019

08:03:21 Chair Webb

HEARING ON SB 265

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:05:04 Sen. Tom Jacobson (D), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 265, Generally revise medical marijuana laws.

08:07:04 Sen. McClafferty entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:11:11 Sen. Fred Thomas, SD 44

EXHIBIT(tas38a01)

08:14:57 Chair Webb

08:15:18 Kate Cholewa, Montana Cannabis Information Association

08:30:22 Tayln Lang, provider

08:31:46 Casey Palmer, provider, Kalispell

EXHIBIT(tas38a02)

08:36:29 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

08:37:43 Katrina Farnum, provider, Missoula

08:48:00 Alex Gray, SD Consulting

08:48:49 Chair Webb left the hearing. Vice Chair Hoven assumed the role of the Chair.

08:51:58 Keith Erwin, Fidelity Diagnostics

09:02:43 Joanna Wojcik

09:04:34 Sen. Barrett

09:04:51 Chair Hoven

09:05:06 Glenn Broughton, Starrbuds Marijuana Dispensary

Opponents' Testimony:

09:10:16 Danielle Muggli, Patient Rights Network

09:14:43 Angela Goodhope

09:16:42 Jon Speare, White Buffalo Laboratories

09:23:50 Douglas Felt, Uncle Bucks Dispensary

09:34:18 Tyler Smith, White Buffalo Laboratories

09:40:09 Alan Engelbart, Lionheart Caregiving Marijuana Dispensary

09:50:57 C. B. Pearson, self

09:58:01 Bob Leach

Informational Testimony:

10:00:10 Lee Baerlocher, Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:00:34 Sen. Cohenour

10:01:36 Mr. Erwin, Fidelity Diagnostics

10:03:33 Sen. Webb entered the hearing.

10:04:44 Sen. Cohenour

10:05:15 Mr. Erwin
10:06:19 Sen. McClafferty
10:06:43 Mr. Erwin
10:07:21 Sen. Blasdel
10:10:44 Ms. Johnston, DPHHS
10:11:45 Sen. Phillips
10:14:08 Sen. Jacobson
10:15:18 Sen. Webb
10:15:47 Ms. Farum, provider
10:16:45 Sen. Webb
10:18:17 Sen. Gillespie
10:19:49 Mr. Englebart, Lionheart Caregiving
10:22:24 Sen. Webb
10:24:37 Ms. Johnston
10:25:21 Chair Hoven
10:29:09 Ms. Johnston
10:29:34 Chair Hoven
10:30:57 Sen. Jacobson
10:31:33 Sen. Pomnichowski
10:33:45 Ms. Johnston
10:34:20 Chair Hoven
10:34:48 Ms. Johnston
10:35:15 Sen. Webb
10:38:49 Ms. Johnston
10:39:10 Chair Hoven
10:40:11 Ms. Johnston

Closing by Sponsor:

10:40:36 Sen. Jacobson

EXHIBIT(tas38a03)

10:45:56 Chair Hoven

10:46:07 Sen. Webb resumed the role of the Chair.

10:51:11 Chair Webb

10:51:27 Sen. Barrett

EXHIBIT(tas38a04)**Committee Business:**

10:53:14 Sen. Phillips

10:53:59 Sen. Barrett

10:54:39 Sen. Tempel

10:55:42 Sen. Barrett

10:55:59 Chair Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:56 AM

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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EXHIBIT([tas38aad.pdf](#))