

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Roger Webb, on February 26, 2019 at 9:00 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)

Members Excused: Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 288, 2/19/2019
Executive Action: SB 178, Removed from the Table, Do Pass As Amended; SB 204, Do Pass As Amended; SB 170, Do Pass As Amended; SB 237, Be Tabled; SB 241, Be Amended, remains in committee

09:00:34 Chair Webb

HEARING ON HB 288

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:01:47 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 288, Generally revise Achieving Better Life Experience Act.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:04:00 Jon Bennion, self

09:04:18 Sen. Blasdel entered the hearing.

09:08:55 Ethan Martin, self

09:09:31 Novelene Martin, Department of Public Health and Human Services

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:10:08 Sen. Barrett

09:12:12 Mr. Bennion, self

09:12:46 Sen. Barrett

09:13:18 Rep. Caferro

09:13:56 Sen. Barrett

09:14:12 Sen. Tempel

09:14:33 Rep. Caferro

09:14:44 Sen. Barrett

09:15:13 Sen. Richmond left the hearing.

09:15:23 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:16:44 Rep. Caferro

09:16:55 Chair Webb

09:17:08 Rep. Caferro

09:17:32 Mr. Bennion

09:17:42 Chair Webb

09:17:48 Mr. Bennion

Closing by Sponsor:

09:18:13 Rep. Caferro

[EXHIBIT\(tas41a01\)](#)

Committee Business:

09:19:13 Chair Webb

09:22:03 Sen. Barrett

09:22:28 Sen. Phillips

09:22:54 Chair Webb

09:22:58 Sen. Phillips

09:23:16 Chair Webb
09:23:20 Sen. Barrett
09:23:24 Sen. Phillips
09:23:38 Chair Webb
09:23:45 Sen. Barrett
09:24:26 Chair Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 178

09:24:47 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 178 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

Discussion:

09:25:10 Sen. Cohenour
09:26:07 Sen. Tempel
09:26:49 Sen. Gillespie
09:27:58 Chair Webb

09:28:02 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Barrett and Sen. Tempel voting no. Sen. Hoven, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas were excused.

09:29:28 Sen. McClafferty entered the hearing.

09:31:02 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

09:31:38 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 178 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
(SB017801.AJC previously passed on 1/31/19. See additional document)

Discussion:

09:32:04 Sen. Barrett
09:33:27 Sen. Tempel
09:34:04 Sen. Cohenour
09:34:30 Sen. Phillips
09:35:50 Sen. Barrett
09:37:08 Sen. Phillips
09:38:11 Sen. Tempel

09:38:35 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Barrett, Sen. Gillespie and Sen. Tempel voting no. Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas voted by proxy. Sen. Hoven was excused.

09:40:33 Mr. Coles, LSD
09:40:45 Sen. Phillips
09:41:02 Chair Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 204

09:41:15 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 204 DO PASS**

Discussion:

09:41:24 Sen. Barrett

09:42:02 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 204 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas41a02)

Discussion:

09:42:10 Sen. Barrett

09:42:39 Sen. Tempel

09:42:56 Sen. Barrett

09:43:47 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:44:05 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division

09:45:10 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Hoven, Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas voted by proxy.

09:45:31 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 204 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:45:40 Sen. Barrett

09:48:38 Sen. Tempel

09:49:09 Sen. Cohenour

09:49:50 Sen. Barrett

09:50:15 Sen. Hoven entered the hearing.

09:51:10 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Tempel, Sen. Thomas and Sen. R. Webb voting no. Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 237

09:51:12 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 237 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 10-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Phillips and Sen. R. Webb voting no. Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 241

09:54:39 Chair Webb

09:54:34 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

09:55:22 **Motion:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 241 DO PASS.**

09:55:31 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 241 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas41a03)

Discussion:

09:56:05 Sen. Cohenour
09:57:11 Chair Webb

09:57:19 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-1 by voice vote with Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas were excused.

09:57:55 **Motion:** Sen. Pomnichowski moved that **SB 241 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas41a04)

Discussion:

09:58:17 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:59:34 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas were excused.

09:59:50 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SB 241 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas41a05)

Discussion:

10:00:29 Sen. Hoven
10:04:01 Sen. Cohenour
10:06:01 Sen. Tempel
10:07:05 Sen. Blasdel
10:08:41 Sen. Barrett
10:09:46 Sen. Hoven

10:10:27 Sen. Richmond entered the hearing.

10:10:35 Sen. Phillips
10:10:48 Sen. Hoven
10:11:46 Sen. Tempel
10:11:51 Sen. Hoven
10:11:57 Sen. Phillips
10:12:42 Sen. Hoven
10:13:20 Sen. Barrett
10:14:17 Sen. Hoven
10:14:27 Sen. Barrett
10:14:54 Sen. Pomnichowski
10:15:37 Sen. Cohenour

10:17:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Phillips, Sen. Richmond and Sen. Thomas voting no. Sen. Thomas voted by proxy.

Discussion:

10:18:38 Sen. Phillips
10:18:47 Mr. Coles, LSD
10:19:05 Sen. Phillips
10:19:23 Sen Hoven

10:19:53 Chair Webb
10:20:08 Mr. Coles
10:20:56 Sen. Pomnichowski
10:21:18 Sen. Phillips

10:21:43 Without objection, Sen. Barrett withdrew his motion that SB 241 Do Pass As Amended.

10:21:58 Chair Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 170

10:23:14 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SB 170 DO PASS.**

10:23:24 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SB 170 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(tas41a06)

Discussion:

10:23:35 Sen. Hoven
10:27:12 Sen. Barrett
10:27:23 Sen. Hoven
10:27:55 Chair Webb
10:28:00 Sen. Barrett
10:28:22 Sen. Hoven

10:28:47 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Thomas was excused.

10:28:58 **Motion:** Sen. Hoven moved that **SB 170 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:29:29 Sen. Hoven

10:30:52 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Sen. Thomas voted by proxy.

10:31:47 Chair Webb
10:32:18 Sen. Cohenour

Committee Business:

10:33:07 Stephanie Morrison, lead analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
EXHIBIT(tas41a07)

10:40:23 Chair Webb
10:40:27 Ms. Morrison, LFD

10:40:42 Chair Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:41 AM

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Document

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas41aad.pdf](#))