

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

**Call to Order:** Chair Daniel R. Salomon, on March 8, 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)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Susan Webber (D)

**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: SR 16, 3/29/2019; HB 211, 3/29/2019; HB 212, 3/29/2019  
Executive Action: SR 16, Be Adopted

15:02:40 Chair Salomon

15:03:57 Chair Salomon turned the role of the Chair over to Vice Chair Regier.

**HEARING ON SR 16**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:04:13 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SR 16, Confirm Governor's appointees to the board of regents.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:05:48 Dalton Johnson, Governor's appointee

15:08:01 Casey Lozar, Governor's appointee

15:09:59 Brianne Rogers, Governor's appointee

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:11:57 Sen. McClafferty

15:12:28 Mr. Johnson, appointee

15:13:30 Chair Regier

15:13:45 Mr. Lozar, appointee

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:15:55 Sen. Salomon

15:16:20 Chair Regier

15:16:25 Sen. Salomon resumed the role of the Chair.

15:16:49 Brief Recess

15:28:04 Reconvened

15:28:10 Chair Salomon

**HEARING ON HB 211**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:28:34 Rep. Llew Jones (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 211, Address recruitment and retention of K-12 quality educators.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:31:35 Steve Meloy, Montana School Boards Association

15:34:15 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana

15:38:12 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

**EXHIBIT(eds47a01)**

15:42:39 Marco Ferro, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

15:43:37 Dianne Burke, Montana Quality Education Coalition

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

15:45:46 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:46:13 Sen. Regier  
15:46:28 Rep. Jones  
15:46:50 Mr. Bailey, OPI  
15:47:02 Sen. Regier  
15:47:18 Rep. Jones  
15:47:55 Sen. Boland  
15:49:17 Rep. Jones  
15:49:32 Sen. McClafferty  
15:49:56 Rep. Jones  
15:50:42 Sen. Boland  
15:51:03 Rep. Jones  
15:52:11 Chair Salomon  
15:55:04 Rep. Jones  
15:55:20 Sen. Blasdel  
15:55:58 Mr. Bailey  
15:56:36 Chair Salomon  
15:57:15 Mr. Bailey  
15:57:32 Sen. Regier  
15:59:13 Mr. Parman, MREA  
16:00:13 Chair Salomon  
16:00:39 Mr. Ferro, MFPE  
16:00:48 Sen. Boland  
16:02:56 Mr. Parman  
16:03:48 Chair Salomon  
16:04:11 Mr. Parman  
16:04:23 Rep. Jones  
16:04:52 Chair Salomon  
16:05:00 Rep. Jones  
16:05:10 Sen. Tempel  
16:05:28 Rep. Jones

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:06:27 Rep. Jones

16:07:20 Chair Salomon

**HEARING ON HB 212**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:07:50 Rep. Llew Jones (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 212, Revise funding for community colleges.

**[EXHIBIT\(eds47a02\)](#)**

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

16:13:12 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

16:13:26 Kathleen O'Leary, Dawson Community College (DCC)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

16:13:58 Chair Salomon

16:14:15 Ms. Albrecht, LFD

16:15:54 Chair Salomon

16:16:15 Ms. O'Leary, DCC

16:18:02 Sen. Regier

16:18:37 Rep. Jones

16:19:02 Sen. McClafferty

16:19:16 Rep. Jones

16:20:19 Chair Salomon

16:21:23 Ms. Albrecht

16:21:38 Chair Salomon

16:21:59 Sen. Regier

16:22:17 Rep. Jones

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:22:26 Rep. Jones

16:23:59 Chair Salomon

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 16**

16:24:49 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. K. Regier moved that **SR 16 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Webber was excused.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:25 PM

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Charlene Devine, Secretary

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**Additional Document**

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([eds47aad.pdf](#))