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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Gordon Vance, on March 21, 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. Roger Webb (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused: None

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: HB 285, 3/15/2019; HB 393, 3/15/2019; HB 580, 3/15/2019

Executive Action: HB 285 BE CONCURRED IN

HEARING ON HB 285

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:00:11 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 285, Establish the Pearl Harbor Veterans Memorial Highway.

15:00:27 Sen. Bennett entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:01:30 Annette Gillespie, self

[EXHIBIT\(his58a01\)](#)

15:02:56 Richard Klose, self

[EXHIBIT\(his58a02\)](#)

15:04:36 Gary White, American Legion of Montana

15:04:49 Sen. Gross entered the hearing.

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:05:11 Sen. Sands

15:05:17 Sen. Brown, Sen. Esp, and Sen. Webb left the hearing.

15:05:24 Rep. Ricci

15:05:40 Sen. Sands

15:06:11 Mr. White, American Legion

Closing by Sponsor:

15:06:36 Rep. Ricci

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 285

15:07:15 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 285 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. D. Brown, Sen. Esp and Sen. R. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Welborn will carry the bill.

HEARING ON HB 393

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:08:15 Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R), HD 27, opened the hearing on HB 393, Change truck speed limits.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:10:11 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM), also speaking on behalf of Montana Logging Association (MLA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:12:38 Dwane Kailey, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:13:04 Sen. Sands

15:13:23 Mr. Kailey, MDT

Closing by Sponsor:

15:14:16 Rep. Kassmier

HEARING ON HB 580

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:15:02 Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R), HD 34, opened the hearing on HB 580, Require public notice for centerline rumble strip projects.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

15:19:39 Dwane Kailey, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:21:02 Sen. Sands

15:21:29 Rep. Knudsen

15:22:36 Sen. Sands

15:22:49 Mr. Kailey, MDT

15:23:44 Sen. Sands

15:24:03 Mr. Kailey

15:24:58 Sen. Sands

15:25:08 Mr. Kailey

15:25:38 Sen. Sands

15:25:48 Mr. Kailey

15:26:38 Sen. Fitzpatrick

15:26:58 Mr. Kailey

15:27:54 Sen. Fitzpatrick

15:28:05 Mr. Kailey

15:28:36 Sen. Fitzpatrick

15:28:53 Mr. Kailey

15:29:17 Sen. Sands

15:29:58 Mr. Kailey

15:30:09 Sen. Sands

15:30:30 Mr. Kailey

15:30:55 Sen. Sands

15:31:08 Mr. Kailey

15:31:17 Sen. Sands

15:31:20 Rep. Knudsen

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15:35:42 Mr. Kailey
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15:35:51 Mr. Kailey
15:36:08 Chair Vance
15:36:36 Mr. Kailey
15:37:24 Chair Vance
15:37:30 Mr. Kailey
15:37:38 Sen. Sands
15:37:45 Sen. Boland
15:38:10 Mr. Kailey

Closing by Sponsor:

15:38:55 Rep. Knudsen

15:40:15 Chair Vance
15:40:23 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
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15:40:49 Ms. Sankey Keip, LSD
15:40:56 Chair Vance
15:41:05 Rep. Knudsen

Committee Business:

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15:42:13 Sen. Bennett
15:42:38 Sen. Gross
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15:42:59 Sen. Welborn
15:43:34 Chair Vance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:44 PM

Noah Horan, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([his58aad.pdf](#))