

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chair Ryan Osmundson, on April 13, 2019 at 8:07 A.M., in Room 317
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ryan Osmundson, Chair (R)
Sen. Jon C. Sesso, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Pat Flowers (D)
Sen. David Howard (R)
Sen. Tom Jacobson (D)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Mike Lang (R)
Sen. Nate McConnell (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Albert Olszewski (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Quinn Holzer, Legislative Branch
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Kris Wilkinson, 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 660, 4/12/2019; HB 661, 4/12/2019

Executive Action: HB 660; HB 661; HB 685

HEARING ON HB 660

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:08:23 Rep. Joel Krautter (R), HD 35, opened the hearing on HB 660, Create Mobile Crisis Unit Grant Program.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:09:51 Sen. Howard
08:09:56 Chair Osmundson
08:09:59 Sen. Olszewski
08:10:24 Sen. Cuffe
08:10:44 Rep. Krautter
08:11:04 Sen. Cuffe
08:12:37 Rep. Krautter
08:12:45 Sen. Salomon
08:13:03 Sen. Edie McClafferty, SD 38
08:14:02 Sen. Sesso
08:14:29 Chair Osmundson
08:14:53 Rep. Krautter

Closing by Sponsor:

08:15:36 Rep. Krautter

HEARING ON HB 661

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:07:26 Rep. Geraldine Custer (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 661, Revise aviation fuel taxation.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:19:29 John McKenna, pilot, representing himself

Opponents' Testimony:

08:23:04 Sen. Roger Webb, SD 23

[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a01\)](#)

08:28:01 Aiden Myhre, Airlines of America

[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a04\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

08:33:18 Bob Gilbert, representing himself

08:34:20 Larry Flynn, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:34:51 Sen. Flowers
08:35:08 Rep. Custer
08:35:14 Sen. Flowers
08:35:33 Rep. Custer
08:36:09 Sen. Ellis
08:36:53 Rep. Custer
08:37:15 Mr. Flynn, MDT
08:38:53 Sen. Welborn
08:39:19 Mr. McKenna, self
08:40:15 Sen. Welborn
08:40:56 Mr. McKenna
08:41:28 Sen. Lang
08:41:50 Mr. Flynn
08:43:26 Sen. Lang
08:43:30 Mr. Flynn
08:43:33 Chair Osmundson left the meeting. Vice Chair Smith assumed the Chair.
08:43:55 Sen. Smith
08:44:14 Sen. Webb
08:44:28 Sen. Ankney
08:45:18 Mr. McKenna
08:47:52 Sen. Jacobson
08:48:10 Mr. McKenna
08:49:24 Sen. Jacobson
08:49:56 Mr. McKenna
08:51:23 Sen. Smith
08:51:36 Sen. Ellis
08:52:16 Mr. Flynn
08:53:11 Sen. Ankney
08:53:34 Mr. Flynn
08:53:53 Mr. McKenna
08:54:23 Sen. Osmundson returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair.

Closing by Sponsor:

08:55:43 Rep. Custer

09:01:32 Recess
09:38:16 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 660

09:38:27 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 660 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:38:44 Chair Osmundson

09:39:15 **Motion:** Sen. Olszewski moved that **HB 660 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a05\)](#)

Discussion:

09:39:18 Sen. Olszewski
09:41:30 Sen. Lang
09:41:50 Sen. Olszewski
09:42:19 Sen. Lang
09:43:48 Sen. Olszewski

09:44:22 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by voice vote with Sen. Jacobson voting no.

09:45:08 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 660 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:45:15 Sen. Howard
09:45:47 Sen. Sesso

09:47:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Bogner, Sen. Cuffe, Sen. Howard, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Kary, Sen. Keenan and Sen. Lang voting no. Sen. McClafferty will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 661

09:48:54 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 661 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:49:04 **Motion:** Sen. Howard moved that **HB 661 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(fcs78a06\)](#)

Discussion:

09:49:13 Sen. Howard

09:49:43 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by voice vote with Sen. Cuffe voting no.

09:49:58 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 661 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:50:05 Sen. Ellis
09:50:36 Chair Osmundson

09:50:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Flowers, Sen. Howard, Sen. Kary, Sen. Keenan, Sen. McNally, Sen. Olszewski and Sen. C. Smith voting no. Sen. Ankney will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 685

09:51:52 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 685 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:52:12 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 685 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fcs78a07)

Discussion:

09:52:21 John MacDonald, Montana Newspaper Association
 09:52:41 Chair Osmundson
 09:52:53 Sen. Jacobson

09:53:38 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. Jacobson made a Substitute Motion to **SEGREGATE THE THREE BILLS IN AMENDMENT HB068501.ARW.**

Discussion:

09:53:42 Sen. Smith
 09:54:02 Chair Osmundson
 09:54:14 Sen. Webber

09:54:48 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-11 by roll call vote with Sen. Ellis, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Keenan, Sen. McConnell, Sen. McNally, Sen. Sesso and Sen. Webber voting aye.

Discussion:

09:55:46 Sen. Sesso
 09:56:04 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 09:56:52 Sen. Sesso
 09:57:10 Ms. Johnson, LSD
 09:58:55 Rachel Weiss, LSD
 10:01:39 Sen. Jacobson
 10:02:15 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division
 10:04:24 Sen. Jacobson
 10:05:07 Chair Osmundson
 10:05:53 Sen. Ellis
 10:06:28 Sen. Webber

10:08:05 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. Sesso made a Substitute Motion to **SEGREGATE SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 17 AND 32 THROUGH 51 AND THE COORDINATION LANGUAGE, AND ELIMINATE SECTIONS 18, 19, 20 AND 21.**

Discussion:

10:08:15 Sen. Sesso

10:10:43 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Discussion:

10:11:27 Sen. Sesso
 10:12:27 Ms. Johnson

10:13:56 **Motion:** Sen. Sesso moved to **CONCEPTUALLY AMEND AMENDMENT HB068501.ARW**, that sections 53 on page 77, 54 on page 77, section 60 on page 80, section 61 on page 80 and the removal of section 64 on page 81 and the latitude to modify the title to insure that the amendment has to do with SB 65 and exclude business associated with HB 21 and SB 312.

Discussion:

10:15:57 Sen. Kary
 10:16:20 Sen. Howard
 10:16:35 Sen. Sesso

10:18:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Kary and Sen. Keenan voting no.

10:19:05 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 685 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:19:15 Sen. Keenan

10:20:03 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-9 by roll call vote with Sen. Bogner, Sen. Ellis, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Kary, Sen. Keenan, Sen. McConnell, Sen. McNally and Sen. Webber voting no. Sen. Osmundson will carry the bill.

Public Comment:

10:21:48 Sen. Keith Regier, SD 3
 10:23:37 Tom Butler, chief, Montana Highway Patrol

EXHIBIT(fcs78a08)

10:26:46 John MacDonald, Montana Newspaper Association
 10:28:27 Chair Osmundson
 10:28:34 Jon Metropoulos, representing himself
 10:30:42 Chair Osmundson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:30

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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EXHIBIT([fcs78aad.pdf](#))