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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Dee Brown, on April 17, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Dee Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Branch
Jacelyn Stewart, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SR 56, 4/16/2019

Executive Action: SR 56, Be Adopted
HJ 39, Be Concurred In
SJ 29, Do Pass
SJ 32, Do Pass

14:59:02 Sen. Brown turned over the duties and position of the Chair to Vice Chair Kary.

HEARING ON SR 56

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

14:59:22 Sen. Dee Brown (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SR 56, Confirm Governor's appointees to Board of Veterans' Affairs.

15:01:35 Sen. Cuffe entered the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

15:02:03 Sen. Brown

15:02:24 Sen. Brown resumed the position and duties of the Chair

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 56

15:02:44 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Kary moved that **SR 56 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 39

15:03:27 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **HJ 39 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

15:03:53 Sen. Bennett

15:04:22 Chair Brown

15:05:13 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Bennett, Sen. Ellis and Sen. F. Smith voting no. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy. Sen. Brown will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 29

15:05:53 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SJ 29 DO PASS**.

15:06:14 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SJ 29 BE AMENDED**.
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Discussion:

15:06:24 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:06:38 Sheri Scurr, LSD

15:09:51 Chair Brown
15:10:27 Sen. Ellis
15:11:00 Chair Brown
15:11:23 Ms. Aldrich, LSD

15:12:05 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Bennett, Sen. Ellis and Sen. F. Smith voting aye. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

15:12:38 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Bennett and Sen. Ellis voting no. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 32

15:13:09 **Motion:** Sen. Kary moved that **SJ 32 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:13:28 Chair Brown
15:13:48 Sen. Bennett
15:14:37 Sen. Smith
15:15:01 Chair Brown

15:15:19 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Osmundson voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

15:15:45 Sen. Cuffe
15:15:55 Chair Brown
15:16:44 Sen. Cuffe
15:16:52 Chair Brown
15:16:56 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division
15:17:09 Sen. Cuffe

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:17 PM

Jacelyn Stewart, Secretary

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