

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Wendy McKamey, on February 9, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Wendy McKamey, Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Ed Hill (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Brian Putnam (R)
Rep. Linda Reksten (R)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Tyson T. Running Wolf (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

John Bergoffen, Committee Secretary
Pad McCracken, Legislative Branch
Coleen Street, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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 319, 2/4/2021; SB 93, 2/4/2021
Executive Action on: SB 56

08:02:41 Chair McKamey

HEARING ON SB 93

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:03:32 Sen. Gordon Vance (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 93, Revise provisions related to poll watchers.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:04:48 Dana Corson, Montana Secretary of State (SOS)

08:07:17 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

08:07:47 Regina Plettenberg, Montana Association of Clerk and Recorders (MACR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:09:57 Vice Chair Greef

08:10:30 Dana Corson, SOS

08:11:00 Vice Chair Greef

08:11:24 Dana Corson, SOS

08:11:45 Rep. Hayman

08:12:09 Regina Plettenberg, MACR

08:14:03 Rep. Hayman

08:14:46 Regina Plettenberg, MACR

08:15:50 Rep. Karjala

08:16:17 Regina Plettenberg, MACR

08:16:35 Rep. Karjala

08:16:51 Regina Plettenberg, MAR

08:17:06 Rep. Karjala

08:18:10 Regina Plettenberg, MACR

09:19:32 Chair McKamey

Closing by Sponsor:

08:19:39 Sen. Vance

HEARING ON HB 319

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:20:35 Rep. Alice Buckley (D), HD 63, opened the hearing on HB 319, Revise dates for special purpose elections.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

08:23:56 Greg Sullivan, City Attorney, Bozeman

08:24:17 Regina Plettenberg, Montana Association of Clerk and Recorders (MACR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:24:53 Rep. Hayman
 08:26:02 Greg Sullivan, City of Bozeman
 08:28:30 Rep. Reksten
 08:29:19 Greg Sullivan, City of Bozeman
 08:29:59 Rep. Reksten
 08:30:26 Greg Sullivan, City of Bozeman
 08:31:15 Rep. Custer
 08:32:00 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
 08:34:02 Rep. Custer
 08:34:22 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
 08:35:13 Rep. Binkley
 08:35:33 Rep. Walsh
 08:36:10 Rep. Buckley
 08:36:29 Rep. Walsh
 08:36:41 Rep. Buckley
 08:36:59 Rep. Hill
 08:37:36 Rep. Buckley
 08:38:21 Rep. Dooling
 08:39:10 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
 08:40:07 Rep. McKamey
 08:40:59 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
 08:42:27 Rep. McKamey
 08:42:44 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
 08:43:38 Rep. Custer
 08:45:21 Rep. Hayman

Closing by Sponsor:

08:45:52 Rep. Buckley

 08:47:31 Chair McKamey
 08:47:46 Pad McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 08:48:08 Chair McKamey
 08:49:25 Pad McCracken, LSD
 08:49:55 Chair McKamey

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 56

08:50:43 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

08:50:59 Pad McCracken, LSD
 08:51:23 Chair McKamey
 08:52:01 Rep. Hill
 08:52:30 Chair McKamey
 08:52:48 Pad McCracken, LSD
 08:53:01 Chair McKamey
 08:53:03 Pad McCracken, LSD
 08:54:05 Chair McKamey
 08:55:33 Pad McCracken, LSD

08:55:35 Chair McKamey
08:55:37 Pad McCracken, LSD
08:55:47 Chair McKamey
08:56:07 Rep. Karjala
08:56:11 Chair McKamey

08:56:27 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hill will carry the bill.

08:57:08 Chair McKamey

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 08:59:31

John Bergoffen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth27aad.pdf](#))