

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Geraldine Custer, on February 11, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Geraldine Custer, Chair (R)
Rep. Larry Brewster, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Mark Thane (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Cristen Friede, Committee Secretary
Toni Henneman, Legislative Branch
Leigha Bradford, 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: SB 74, 2/5/2021; SB 54, 2/5/2021

HEARING ON SB 74

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:01:59 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 74, Revise county school transportation laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:04:43 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

15:08:17 Rep. Fern joined the meeting

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

15:09:11 Sen. Salomon

HEARING ON SB 54

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:09:39 Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 54, Require reviews of experimental on-site wastewater treatment systems.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:10:34 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

15:11:25 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association (MBIA)

15:12:17 Shannon Therriault, Montana Environmental Association (MEA)

15:13:12 Derf Johnson, Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:14:14 Kevin Smith, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:14:40 Rep. Fern

15:15:26 Shannon Therriault, MEA

15:16:56 Rep. Galloway

15:17:24 Abigail St. Lawrence, MBIA

Closing by Sponsor:

15:18:01 Sen. Ellsworth

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 268

15:19:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brewster moved that **HB 268 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Dunwell voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 74

15:21:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brewster moved that **SB 74 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Dunwell voted by proxy. Rep. Harvey will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 54

15:21:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brewster moved that **SB 54 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Dunwell voted by proxy. Rep. Galloway will carry the bill.

15:22:46 Chair Custer

15:23:03 Toni Henneman, Legislative Service Division (LSD)

15:23:38 Chair Custer

15:23:54 Rep. Gunderson

15:24:15 Toni Henneman, LSD

15:24:45 Rep. Gunderson

15:24:57 Chair Custer

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:25:26

Cristen Friede, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh29aad.pdf](#))