

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Denley M. Loge, on February 22, 2021 at 3:10 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Denley M. Loge, Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Smith, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Rynalea Whitman Pena (D)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary
Joe Carroll, Legislative Branch
Karli Kusler, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 420, 2/16/2021; HB 247, 2/17/2021; HB 438, 2/18/2021; HB 482, 2/22/2021

15:11:08 Rep. Galt, Rep. Fleming, Rep. C. Knudsen and Rep. J. Hinkle left the meeting.
15:11:09 Chair Loge
15:11:29 Vice Chair Trebas assumed the Chair.

HEARING ON HB 247

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:12:00 Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R), HD 75, opened the hearing on HB 247, Revise motor vehicle fleet registration.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:15:39 Laurie Bakri, Motor Vehicle Division (MVD)

15:16:15 Jessie Luther, Enterprise Holdings

[EXHIBIT\(trh37a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh37a02\)](#)

15:21:47 Elaine Taylor, Montana Beverage Association (MTBEV)

15:22:53 Dave Galt, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:23:38 John Brueggeman, Vitu

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:24:25 Vice Chair Smith

15:24:51 Rep. Bertoglio

15:25:08 Vice Chair Smith

15:25:18 Rep. Bertoglio

15:25:33 Laurie Bakri, MVD

15:25:53 Rep. Marshall

15:26:12 Rep. Bertoglio

15:26:24 John Brueggeman, Vitu

15:27:20 Rep. Marshall

15:27:47 John Brueggeman, Vitu

15:27:54 Rep. Fern

15:28:16 Jessie Luther, Enterprise Holdings

15:28:53 Rep. Fern

15:28:59 Rep. Loge

15:29:25 John Bruggeman, Vitu

15:30:08 Rep. Loge

15:30:15 Laurie Bakri, MVD

Closing by Sponsor:

15:30:47 Rep. Bertoglio

15:31:49 Rep. Loge assumed the Chair.

15:32:00 Vice Chair Trebas left the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 482**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:32:04 Rep. Steve Gunderson (R), HD 1, opened the hearing on HB 482, Revise license plate laws.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:35:41 Vice Chair Smith
15:36:36 Rep. Gunderson
15:37:22 Rep. Fern
15:37:52 Chair Loge
15:38:07 Rep. Fern
15:38:26 Rep. Gunderson

Closing by Sponsor:

15:39:23 Rep. Gunderson

HEARING ON HB 438**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:43:15 Rep. Steven Galloway (R), opened the hearing on HB 438, Revise commercial driver license laws to include military waiver.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:46:58 Alan Doane, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)
15:47:35 Laurie Bakri, Motor Vehicle Division (MVD)
15:48:13 Dave Galt, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)
15:48:47 Duane Williams, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:49:48 Brad Martin, Motor Carrier Service of the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:50:30 Chair Loge
15:51:28 Brad Martin, MDT
15:51:45 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

15:52:09 Rep. Galloway

HEARING ON HB 420

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:54:15 Rep. Scot Kerns (R), HD 23, opened the hearing on HB 420, Revise bicycle laws.

[**EXHIBIT\(trh37a03\)**](#)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

15:57:57 John MacDonald, City of Missoula; City of Bozeman

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:01:28 Chair Loge

16:02:15 Rep. Kerns

16:02:30 Rep. Fern

16:04:10 John MacDonald, City of Missoula; City of Bozeman

Closing by Sponsor:

16:05:15 Rep. Kerns

16:07:03 Chair Loge

16:07:25 Rep. Harvey

16:07:37 Chair Loge

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:08:27

Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh37aad.pdf](#))