

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Wendy McKamey, on March 9, 2021 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Wendy McKamey, Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (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. Tyson T. Running Wolf (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Marvin Weatherwax, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)

Members Absent: None

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

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 522, 3/8/2021; SJ 9, 3/8/2021; SB 91, 3/8/2021
Executive Action on: SJ 9

09:02:11 Chair McKamey
09:02:27 Rep. Custer joined the meeting

HEARING ON SJ 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:03:05 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SJ 9, Resolution expressing support for Taiwan.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:03:23 Rep. Frazer joined the meeting
09:05:21 Rep. Hill
09:05:46 Sen. Hertz
09:06:29 Rep. Reksten
09:06:44 Sen. Hertz

Closing by Sponsor:

09:07:51 Sen. Hertz

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 9

09:08:10 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SJ 9 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:08:39 Rep. Reksten
09:09:15 Rep. Smith
09:09:40 Rep. Hayman
09:10:26 Chair McKamey

09:11:35 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-2 by voice vote with Rep. Bishop and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bishop and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Chair McKamey will carry the bill.

09:12:22 Pad McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
09:14:35 Chair McKamey

HEARING ON SB 91

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:34:33 Sen. Gordon Vance (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 91, Require fiscal notes to include business impact.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:36:39 Rep. Reksten
09:36:52 Sen. Vance
09:37:17 Rep. Reksten
09:37:29 Sen. Vance
09:37:56 Rep. Dooling
09:38:19 Sen. Vance

09:38:35 Rep. Karjala
09:39:16 Sen. Vance
09:39:26 Rep. Karjala
09:40:50 Sen. Vance
09:41:01 Rep. Kortum
09:41:38 Sen. Vance
09:41:55 Rep. Custer
09:42:30 Sen. Vance
09:42:38 Rep. Hill
09:43:26 Sen. Vance

Closing by Sponsor:

09:43:57 Sen. Vance

09:44:35 Chair McKamey
09:44:50 Rep. Walsh
09:45:02 Rep. Hill

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 91

09:45:34 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 91 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:45:49 Rep. Karjala
09:47:47 Rep. Putnam
09:48:46 Rep. Custer
09:50:59 Rep. Walsh
09:52:01 Rep. Greef
09:52:26 Rep. Hill
09:53:04 Rep. Reksten

09:53:27 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Reksten made a substitute motion that **SB 91 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 18-1 by roll call vote with Chair McKamey voting no. Rep. Bishop voted by proxy.

09:54:54 Chair McKamey

HEARING ON HB 522

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:30:47 Rep. Edward Buttrey (R), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 522, Create the Montana military strategic and economic task force.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:37:11 Roger Hagan, American Legion

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:40:00 Rep. Reksten
10:40:31 Rep. Buttrey
10:41:58 Rep. Karjala

10:43:02 Rep. Buttrey
10:43:54 Rep. Karjala
10:44:48 Rep. Buttrey
10:45:18 Rep. Hill
10:45:47 Rep. Buttrey
10:47:49 Rep. Hill
10:48:35 Rep. Buttrey
10:50:07 Rep. Hill
10:50:56 Rep. Buttrey

Closing by Sponsor:

10:53:18 Rep. Buttrey

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 522

10:55:25 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **HB 522 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:55:37 Rep. Dooling

10:56:23 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Custer made a substitute motion that **HB 522 BE POSTPONED TO ALLOW TIME TO DRAFT AN AMENDMENT.** Substitute Motion carried 18-0 by voice vote. Rep. Bishop was excused.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:57:51

John Bergoffen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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