

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Denley M. Loge, on March 10, 2021 at 3:00 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. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)
Rep. Rynalea Whitman Pena (D)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Joe Carroll, Legislative Branch
Cristen Friede, Committee Secretary
Karli Kusler, 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 464, 3/1/2021; SB 148, 3/1/2021; SJ 5, 3/1/2021

HEARING ON HB 464**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:03:24 Rep. Matt Regier (R), HD 4, opened the hearing on HB 464, Repeal local option gas tax.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:04:51 Dirk Cooper, Montana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Stores Association (MPMCSA)
15:07:13 Rep. Harvey left the meeting
15:12:01 Scott Leland, self
15:13:27 Brad Longcake, Montana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Stores Association (MPMCSA)
15:19:47 Brad Griffon, Montana Real Estate Association (MREA)
15:21:20 EJ Reeding, Beer and Wine Distributers Association, Montana Solid Waste Contractors Association
15:22:33 Jessie Luther, Enterprise Holdings Inc.
15:24:07 Bob Gilbert, Phillips County
15:26:39 Karly Shafer, Great Western Petroleum
15:29:00 Earl Allen, Noons Food Stores

Opponents' Testimony:

15:33:57 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
15:38:17 Dave Galt, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)
15:40:17 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition (MFC)
15:42:12 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Relators (MAR)
15:44:27 Tyler Gernant, Missoula County

EXHIBIT(trh48a01)

15:51:31 Jeremy Keene, City of Missoula
15:55:37 Tim Burton, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)
15:57:40 Commissioner Josh Slotnick, Missoula County
16:05:22 Pat Mischel, self

Informational Testimony:

16:07:59 Tracy Halubka, Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:08:30 Rep. Marshal
16:09:51 Eric Bryson, MACo
16:11:31 Tyler Gernant, Missoula County
16:12:22 Rep. Hinkle
16:12:56 Brad Longcake, MPMCSA
16:13:56 Rep. Usher
16:16:50 Jeremy Keene, City of Missoula
16:17:05 Vice Chair Trebas
16:20:25 Darryl James, MFC
16:21:48 Rep. Fern
16:23:36 Rep. Regier

16:23:52 Rep. Marshall
16:26:15 Jeremy Keene, City of Missoula
16:26:40 Rep. Usher
16:27:54 Darryl James, MFC
16:29:52 Vice Chair Smith
16:31:54 Darryl James, MFC
16:32:36 Chair Loge
16:33:12 Dirk Cooper, MPMCSA

Closing by Sponsor:

16:34:21 Rep. Regier

16:34:56 Recess

16:43:23 Reconvened

HEARING ON SB 148**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:43:40 Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R), SD 9, opened the hearing on SB 148, Establish Bill McCauley memorial highway.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:49:06 Chair Loge

16:49:15 Sen. Gillespie

Closing by Sponsor:

16:49:59 Sen. Gillespie

HEARING ON SJ 5**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:50:58 Sen. Susan Webber (D), SD 8, opened the hearing on SJ 5, Urge revision of Lewis and Clark trail designation signs to include Sacajawea.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

17:00:40 Rep. Dooling

17:00:57 Sen. Webber

17:03:04 Chair Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

17:04:28 Sen. Webber

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:06:30

Cristen Friede, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh48aad.pdf](#))