

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Becky Beard, on March 30, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Becky Beard, Chair (R)
Rep. Dave Fern, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)
Rep. Alice Buckley (D)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Paul Fielder (R)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)
Rep. Marty Malone (R)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Braxton Mitchell (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Mark Thane (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Tom Welch, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Megan Moore, Legislative Branch
Jacquie Simmons, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Kathy Sangray, Committee Secretary

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:

Executive Action on: HB 646; HB 128; HB 204; HB 162

08:01:17 Chair Beard
08:03:12 Vice Chair Fern
08:03:25 Chair Beard
08:03:30 Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
08:05:00 Chair Beard
08:06:00 Megan Moore, LSD
08:05:27 Chair Beard
08:05:58 Megan Moore, LSD

08:06:38 Recessed
08:24:20 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 646

08:25:08 **Motion:** Rep. Fern moved that **HB 646 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

08:25:12 Rep. Dunwell
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08:29:06 Chair Beard

08:29:17 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mitchell made a substitute motion that **HB 646 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Marler and Rep. Thane voting no. Rep. Welch voted by proxy.

08:30:57 Vice Chair Fern
08:31:29 Megan Moore, LSD
08:32:03 Rep. Kerns
08:32:29 Vice Chair Fern
08:33:43 Rep. Dunwell

08:34:16 **Motion:** Vice Chair Fern made a motion that the committee approve a draft of a study bill on behalf of the tax committee regarding residential property taxes for the interim committee.

08:35:14 Megan Moore, LSD
08:35:45 Vice Chair Fern
08:36:26 Megan Moore, LSD
08:36:58 Rep. Brewster
08:37:15 Chair Beard
08:37:27 Megan Moore, LSD

08:37:51 Rep. Fern withdrew the motion to draft a study bill pending input on study bill topics to be brought forward from committee members.

08:38:19 Chair Beard

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 128

08:38:34 **Motion:** Rep. Fern moved that **HB 128 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

08:39:09 Vice Chair Fern

08:39:30 Chair Beard

08:39:46 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Kassmier, Rep. Marler, Rep. Thane and Rep. Welch voting aye.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 204

08:41:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Fern moved that **HB 204 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.** Motion failed 9-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns, Rep. Marler, Rep. Sheldon-Galloway and Rep. Thane voting aye.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 162

08:43:19 **Motion:** Rep. Fielder moved that **HB 162 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

08:43:31 Rep. R. Knudsen

08:43:52 Vice Chair Fern

08:44:18 Rep. Fielder

08:45:54 Rep. Malone

08:46:09 Chair Beard

08:47:07 Rep. Fielder

08:47:32 Rep. Dunwell

08:48:30 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway

08:49:00 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Marler and Rep. Thane voting no.

08:50:30 Chair Beard

08:50:35 Vice Chair Fern

08:51:02 Rep. Dunwell

08:51:50 Chair Beard

08:53:05 Rep. C. Hinkle

08:53:14 Chair Beard

08:53:22 Vice Chair Welch

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 08:53:43

Kathy Sangray, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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