

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Becky Beard, on April 20, 2021 at 7:30 AM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Becky Beard, Chair (R)  
Rep. Dave Fern, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Tom Welch, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)  
Rep. Alice Buckley (D)  
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)  
Rep. Paul Fielder (R)  
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)  
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Marty Malone (R)  
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)  
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)  
Rep. Mark Thane (D)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)  
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)  
Rep. Braxton Mitchell (R)  
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (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: SB 159, SB 385, SB 388, SB 399

07:33:00 Rep. Trebas joined the meeting  
07:33:10 Vice Chair Fern  
07:33:19 Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
07:38:45 Vice Chair Fern  
07:39:14 Megan Moore, LSD  
07:39:59 Rep. Dunwell  
  
07:42:00 Recessed  
08:12:30 Reconvened

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 159**

08:12:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kassmier moved to **RECONSIDER ACTION** on **SB 159**. Motion carried 11-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Malone, Rep. Marler, Rep. Sheldon-Galloway and Rep. Thane voting no. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

08:14:11 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **AMENDMENTS BE REMOVED FROM SB 159**.

#### **Discussion:**

08:14:50 Vice Chair Fern  
08:15:07 Megan Moore, LSD

08:15:35 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

08:16:35 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 159 BE CONCURRED IN**.

#### **Discussion:**

08:16:43 Vice Chair Fern

08:17:13 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 159 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

#### **EXHIBIT(tah75a01)**

08:17:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 159 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 10-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Malone, Rep. Marler, Rep. Sheldon-Galloway and Rep. Thane voting no. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy. Rep. Beard will carry the bill.

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 385**

08:21:02 **Motion:** Rep. Welch moved that **SB 385 BE CONCURRED IN**.

#### **Discussion:**

08:21:17 Megan Moore, LDS

08:21:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 385 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(tah75a02)**

08:23:28 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 385 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

**Discussion:**

08:23:38 Vice Chair Fern

08:25:14 Rep. Thane

08:25:46 **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. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy. Rep. Brewster will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 388**

08:27:15 **Motion:** Rep. Welch moved that **SB 388 BE CONCURRED IN**.

**Discussion:**

08:27:29 Megan Moore, LSD

08:27:52 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 388 BE AMENDED**.  
**EXHIBIT(tah75a03)**

**Discussion:**

08:28:14 Megan Moore, LSD

08:29:11 Rep. Dunwell

08:29:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

08:30:21 **Motion:** Rep. Fern moved that **SB 388 BE AMENDED**.  
**EXHIBIT(tah75a04)**

**Discussion:**

08:30:36 Megan Moore, LSD

08:31:48 Vice Chair Fern

08:33:33 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Malone, Rep. Marler and Rep. Thane voting aye.

08:34:59 Rep Thane

08:36:21 Rep. Dunwell

08:37:15 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Beard moved that **SB 388 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 10-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Brewster, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Malone, Rep. Marler and Rep. Thane voting no. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy. Rep. Welch will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 399**

08:38:39 **Motion:** Rep. Welch moved that **SB 399 BE CONCURRED IN**.

08:39:05 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 399 BE AMENDED**.  
[EXHIBIT\(tah75a05\)](#)

**Discussion:**

08:39:19 Megan Moore, LSD

08:39:57 **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. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

08:41:32 **Motion:** Rep. Kassmier moved that **SB 399 BE AMENDED**.  
[EXHIBIT\(tah75a06\)](#)

**Discussion:**

08:41:46 Vice Chair Fern

08:42:19 Megan Moore, LSD

08:42:22 Rep. Trebas

08:42:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Dunwell voting no. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy.

08:43:58 **Motion:** Rep. Beard moved that **SB 399 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

**Discussion:**

08:44:02 Rep. Malone

08:45:00 Rep. Thane

08:45:33 Rep. Trebas

08:46:02 Vice Chair Fern

08:47:48 Rep. Dunwell

08:48:48 Rep. Marler

08:49:30 Rep. Fielder

08:50:08 Chair Beard

08:52:44 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Malone, Rep. Marler and Rep. Thane voting no. Rep. C. Hinkle, Rep. Kerns and Rep. Mitchell voted by proxy. Rep. Knudsen will carry the bill.

08:54:12 Chair Beard

08:55:09 Megan Moore, LSD

08:55:32 Vice Chair Fern  
08:56:57 Rep. R. Knudsen  
08:57:12 Chair Beard

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 08:57:47

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Kathy Sangray, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([tah75aad.pdf](#))