

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Denley M. Loge, on April 23, 2021 at 2:40 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Denley M. Loge, Chair (R)  
Rep. Jeremy Trebas, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)  
Rep. Dave Fern (D)  
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)  
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)  
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)  
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Frank Smith, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)  
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)  
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R)  
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Barry Usher (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Joe Carroll, Legislative Branch  
Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary  
Heather Vande-Sandt, 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: HJ 54, 4/22/2021

Executive Action: HJ 54

14:41:49 Vice Chair Smith joined the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HJ 54**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

14:42:05 Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D), HD 41, opened the hearing on HJ 54, Interim study on highway safety.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

14:46:54 Rep. Whitman  
14:47:00 Rep. J. Hinkle joined the meeting.  
14:47:18 Vice Chair Smith  
14:47:35 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
14:47:42 Vice Chair Smith  
14:47:59 Rep. Fern  
14:48:40 Chair Loge  
14:48:52 Vice Chair Trebas  
14:49:07 Chair Loge  
14:49:34 Joe Carroll, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

14:49:45 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
  
14:50:50 Chair Loge  
14:51:34 Joe Carroll, LSD  
14:51:41 Chair Loge  
14:51:46 Vice Chair Trebas

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 54**

14:51:50 **Motion:** Rep. Trebas moved that **HJ 54 DO PASS.**

#### **Discussion:**

14:52:00 Chair Loge  
14:52:34 Rep. Fern  
14:54:20 Rep. Fleming  
14:54:57 Vice Chair Trebas  
14:56:13 Vice Chair Smith  
14:57:06 Chair Loge  
15:00:09 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
15:00:15 Vice Chair Smith  
15:01:14 Chair Loge  
15:02:08 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
15:02:37 Rep. Usher joined the meeting.

15:03:03 Vice Chair Trebas  
15:04:17 Vice Chair Smith  
15:05:02 Rep. Whitman  
15:05:38 Rep. Usher  
15:08:01 Chair Loge  
15:08:57 Rep. Fern  
15:09:59 Rep. Usher  
15:10:07 Chair Loge  
15:10:58 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
15:11:09 Chair Loge  
15:11:18 Rep. Usher  
15:11:30 Chair Loge  
  
15:11:43 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Fleming, Rep. Galt, Rep. C. Knudsen, Rep. Marshall and Rep. Trebas voting no. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Galt, Rep. Harvey and Rep. C. Knudsen voted by proxy.  
  
15:13:01 Chair Loge  
15:13:27 Rep. Dooling  
15:13:44 Chair Loge  
15:14:16 Rep. Whitman  
15:14:28 Rep. Whiteman Pena  
15:14:33 Chair Loge  
15:15:27 Rep. Whitman  
15:15:45 Chair Loge

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 15:16:11

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Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT**([trh78aad.pdf](#))