

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Keith Regier, on January 22, 2021 at 9:00 AM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Keith Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Tom McGillvray, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Bryce Bennett (D)
Sen. Bob Brown (R)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Theresa Manzella (R)

Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Diane Sands, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Taylor Tyson, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Jacelyn Sterling, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 2, 1/18/2021

HEARING ON SJ 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:02:28 Sen. Tom McGillvray (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SJ 2, Resolution for Article V of US Constitution convention of states.

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

09:06:14 Mark Meckler, Convention of States (COS)

09:11:41 Sen. David Howard, SD 29

09:14:30 Sen. Doug Kary, SD 22

09:15:45 Sen. Brad Molnar, SD 28

09:20:29 Clifford Sisko, Miles City

09:27:52 Tracy Schuster, citizen

09:31:22 Samuel Montayne, Sr.

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a02\)](#)

09:36:20 Christine Long Dougherty

09:37:47 Michael Dougherty

09:39:45 Olivia Burk, Butte

09:41:26 Terry Kramer, Clancy

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a03\)](#)

09:46:49 Jacob Emrich, Great Falls

09:47:55 Steve Schuster

09:52:09 Joe Hoseck, Great Falls

09:55:11 Stan Hanson, Kalispell

09:56:10 Jan Hamman, Clancy

09:57:26 Alicia Hamilton, Great Falls

10:02:34 Wilma Gosman, Great Falls

10:04:03 Scott Reichner, COS

10:06:09 Thomas Kallenbach, Belgrade

10:07:10 Vincent Zortman, Bigfork

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a04\)](#)

10:09:17 Mark Carlstrom, Billings

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a05\)](#)

Additional Testimony Received:

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a06\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

10:11:53 Leah Southwell, John Birch Society

10:18:50 Caleb Collier, executive director, John Birch Society

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a07\)](#)

10:23:53 Larry Woolston, Broadus

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a08\)](#)

10:27:07 Robert Brown, Lehi, UT
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a09\)](#)

10:37:02 Eldon Stahl
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a10\)](#)

10:41:20 Greg Hinkle, Thompson Falls
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a11\)](#)

Additional Testimony Received:
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a12\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

10:44:38 G.R. Mobley, Spokane, WA
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a13\)](#)

Additional Testimony Received:
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a14\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:47:14 Sen. Friedel
10:55:32 Mr. Meckler, COS
10:57:45 Sen. Friedel
10:57:55 Sen. Manzella
10:58:11 Mr. Brown, Lehi, UT
10:58:32 Sen. Friedel
10:58:53 Mr. Brown
11:01:50 Sen. Friedel
11:01:55 Sen. Manzella
11:08:20 Mr. Brown
11:12:25 Chair Regier
11:12:51 Mr. Meckler
11:13:12 Sen. Hinebauch
11:14:09 Sen. McGillvray
11:15:15 Sen. Hinebauch
11:15:35 Mr. Meckler
11:19:43 Sen. Esp
11:21:30 Sen. McGillvray
11:22:41 Sen. Brown
11:23:29 Mr. Brown
11:26:43 Sen. Brown
11:26:56 Ms. Schuster, citizen

Closing by Sponsor:

11:32:05 Sen. McGillvray
[EXHIBIT\(jus15a15\)](#)

Committee Business:

11:44:33 Chair Regier
11:45:18 Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Services Division

11:45:42 Chair Regier
11:46:15 Sen. Manzella
11:46:47 Chair Regier

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:46 AM

Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jus15aad.pdf](#))