

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Brian Hoven, on January 22, 2021 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 405
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Brian Hoven, Chair (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Greg Hertz, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)
Sen. Walt Sales (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

Members Present by Video Zoom Conference:

Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, 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 23, 1/19/2021; HB 52, 1/19/2021

HEARING ON HB 23**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:01:27 Rep. Becky Beard (R), HD 80, opened the hearing on HB23, Revise tax lien and tax deed process.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:03:29 Terri Kunz, Montana County Treasurers Association (MCTA)

09:08:00 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties

09:08:59 William Gowen, Montana Land Title Association

09:10:49 Betty Romo, treasurer, Roosevelt County; MCTA

[EXHIBIT\(tas15a01\)](#)

09:13:45 Sen. Cohenour entered the hearing.

Opponents' Testimony:

09:19:00 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Bankers Association (MBA)

[EXHIBIT\(tas15a02\)](#)

09:21:49 Chris Puyear, Montana Independent Bankers Association

[EXHIBIT\(tas15a03\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:23:51 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:28:48 Ms. Romo, MCTA

09:29:22 Sen. Hertz

09:30:39 Ms. Romo

09:31:35 Sen. Hertz

09:31:51 Rep. Beard

09:32:52 Sen. Hertz

09:33:05 Chair Hoven

09:41:50 Ms. Kunz, MCTA

09:43:31 Sen. Hertz

09:44:17 Mr. Hegreberg, MBA

09:45:32 Sen. Tempel

Closing by Sponsor:

09:46:11 Rep. Beard

09:48:53 Chair Hoven

09:49:35 Rep. Beard

HEARING ON HB 52**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:50:09 Rep. Tom Welch (R), HD 72, opened the hearing on HB52, Revise property tax reporting and clarifying AUM calculations.

09:50:35 Sen. Molnar entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:53:04 Bryce Kaatz, Department of Revenue (DOR)

[EXHIBIT\(tas15a04\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:55:42 Sen. Hertz

09:56:51 Mr. Kaatz, DOR

09:57:59 Sen. Sales

09:58:24 Rep. Welch

Closing by Sponsor:

09:58:48 Rep. Welch

Committee Business:

09:59:27 Chair Hoven

10:00:32 Sen. Molnar

10:00:46 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

10:01:46 Sen. Cohenour

10:02:18 Sen. Molnar

10:02:32 Chair Hoven

10:03:09 Mr. Coles, LSD

10:04:14 Chair Hoven

10:04:21 Sen. Pomnichowski

10:05:54 Mr. Coles

10:06:35 Chair Hoven

10:06:42 Sen. Cohenour

10:06:59 Chair Hoven

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:07 A.M.

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas15aad.pdf](#))