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MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Lang, on January 26, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Mike Lang, Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. Walt Sales (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon (R)

Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Susan Webber, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Olivia Hopkins, Committee Secretary
Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch
Monte Cole, 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: SB 106, 1/20/2021

15:00:58 Chair Lang
15:01:33 Sen. Ellis
15:02:15 Chair Lang

HEARING ON SB 106

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:02:36 Sen. Walt Sales (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 106, Establish license and qualifications for veterinary technicians.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:04:52 Marcia Cantrell, Big Sky Veterinary Technician Association (BSVTA)

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a01\)](#)

15:07:50 Stuart Dogget, Montana Veterinary Medical Association

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a02\)](#)

15:09:20 Elli Olind, BSVTA

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a03\)](#)

15:10:40 Shawni Hansen, president, BSVTA

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a04\)](#)

15:12:18 Harley Templeton, BSVTA

15:13:56 Dr. Jeanne Rankin, Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostician (FADD)

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a05\)](#)

15:20:30 Dr. Tierney Olsen, veterinarian

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a06\)](#)

15:23:34 Tiarah Losee, Pima Medical Institute

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a07\)](#)

15:27:09 Dr. Tia Nelson, Montana Board of Veterinary Medicine (BVM)

Additional testimony received:

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a08\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

15:28:55 Henry Kriegel, Americans for Prosperity

15:30:14 Andrew Forcier, Columbus

[EXHIBIT\(ags17a09\)](#)

15:32:04 Sen. Gillespie entered the meeting.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:41:08 Sen. Salomon

15:42:47 Ms. Rankin, FADD

15:45:50 Sen. Hoven

15:46:41 Ms. Rankin

15:48:48 Sen. Hoven
15:49:08 Ms. Rankin
15:50:32 Sen. Ellis
15:51:25 Ms. Cantrell, BSVTA
15:52:10 Sen. Ellis
15:52:41 Ms. Cantrell
15:53:23 Sen. Gillespie
15:55:05 Ms. Rankin
15:57:01 Sen. Webber
15:58:51 Ms. Nelson, BVM

Informational Testimony:

15:59:20 Rhonda Morgan, BVM

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:59:48 Chair Lang
16:00:29 Ms. Morgan
16:01:10 Chair Lang
16:01:19 Ms. Morgan
16:02:40 Chair Lang
16:03:00 Ms. Morgan
16:03:47 Sen. Salomon
16:04:58 Ms. Hansen, BSVTA
16:06:09 Sen. Bogner
16:06:21 Sen. Sales
16:06:39 Sen. Bogner
16:06:53 Ms. Cantrell
16:07:30 Chair Lang
16:07:58 Ms. Cantrell

Closing by Sponsor:

16:08:54 Sen. Sales

16:12:25 Chair Lang
16:12:58 Sen. Gillespie
16:13:56 Chair Lang
16:15:25 Sen. Gillespie

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:15 P.M.

Olivia Hopkins, Secretary

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