

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

**Call to Order:** Chair Ryan Osmundson, on February 4, 2021 at 2:30 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present in the Committee Room:**

Sen. Ryan Osmundson, Chair (R)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)  
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)  
Sen. Carl Glimm (R)  
Sen. David Howard (R)  
Sen. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)  
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)  
Sen. Mike Lang (R)  
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon (R)  
Sen. Cary Smith (R)  
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

**Members Present on Zoom Video Conference:**

Sen. Janet Ellis, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Pat Flowers (D)  
Sen. Mary McNally (D)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)  
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Katherine Anderson, Remote Meeting Coordinator  
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch

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**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 13, 2/1/2021  
Executive Action: SB 72 Do Pass

14:30:51 Chair Osmundson  
14:35:28 Sen. Boldman left the meeting. Sen. Smith joined the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HB 13**

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

14:36:02 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB13, State Employee Pay Plan.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

14:38:39 Larry Nielsen, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)  
14:40:51 Kurt Alme, budget director, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)  
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14:43:29 Janelle Booth, Government Affairs, Montana State University; legislative director  
Montana University System  
14:43:49 Adam Haight, Montana AFL-CIO  
14:44:10 Jack Rinck, Associated Students of the University of Montana  
14:44:43 Ethan Hanley, student, University of Montana

#### **Opponents' Testimony:** None

#### **Informational Testimony:**

14:45:59 Amy Sassano, deputy budget director, OBPP  
14:46:23 Michael Manion, chief legal counsel and deputy director, Department of  
Administration (DOA)

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

14:46:56 Sen. Cuffe  
14:47:21 Chair Osmundson  
14:48:00 Mr. Alme, OBPP  
14:48:10 Mr. Manion, DOA  
14:48:21 Chair Osmundson  
14:48:25 Ms. Sassano, OBPP

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

14:48:47 Rep. Dooling  
  
14:50:01 Chair Osmundson  
  
Sen. Morigeau, Sen. Lang and Sen. Kary joined the meeting. Sen. Ankney  
left the meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 72**

14:51:20 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Cuffe moved that **SB 72 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 13-6 by roll call vote with Sen. Boldman, Sen. Ellis, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Lynch, Sen. McNally and Sen. Morigeau voting no. Sen. Ankney, Sen. Bogner, Sen. Boldman and Sen. Lynch voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 2:53 P.M.

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Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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