

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Douglas (Doug) Kary, on February 10, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present in the Committee Room:**

Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary, Chair (R)  
Sen. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Gordon Vance, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Sen. Mike Fox (D)  
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Sen. Walt Sales (R)

**Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:**

Sen. Janet Ellis (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Branch  
Alex Colafrancesco, 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: SB 94, 2/3/2021; SB 146, 2/3/2021

**HEARING ON SB 146****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:02:18 Sen. Shane Morigeau (D), SD 48, opened the hearing on SB146, Establish Indigenous People's Day.

15:06:46 Sen. Cuffe entered the meeting.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:10:35 Ben Bahr, citizen

15:14:13 Keaton Sunchild, Western Native Vote

15:17:10 Roberta Duckhead Kittson Nyomo, citizen

15:20:07 Crystal Alegria, Bozeman

15:23:17 Kelli Twoteeth, Montana Native Vote

**EXHIBIT(sts28a01)**

15:25:59 Alex Newby, Belgrade

**EXHIBIT(sts28a02)**

15:28:58 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

15:32:24 Sam Forstag, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana

15:33:46 Rubin Castren, Montana Public Interest Research Group

15:34:27 Marsha Small, Indigenous Peoples' Day

15:38:23 SJ Howell, Montana Women Vote

15:39:02 Simon Cecil, Billings

15:39:31 Sydney Barry, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

15:40:06 Danielle Vazquez, Missoula

15:41:10 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

15:41:51 Eliza Donahue, Forward Montana

**EXHIBIT(sts28a03)**

15:42:37 Daliyah Killsback, Western Native Vote

15:43:57 Emily Cook, citizen

15:44:26 Cari Kimball, Montana Environmental Information Center

15:45:51 Christopher Carter, East Glacier

**EXHIBIT(sts28a04)**

15:50:41 Adrian Jawort, citizen

**EXHIBIT(sts28a05)**

15:53:49 Jan Strout, Montana Chapter National Organization for Woman

**EXHIBIT(sts28a06)**

15:57:09 Carson Taylor

**EXHIBIT(sts28a07)**

16:00:11 Dede Taylor, Bozeman

**EXHIBIT(sts28a08)**

16:03:57 Souta Calling Last

Additional Testimony Received:

[EXHIBIT\(sts28a09\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

16:07:10 Sen. Bennett  
16:07:36 Ms. Small, Indigenous Peoples' Day  
16:08:58 Chair Kary  
16:10:04 Ms. Small

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:11:13 Sen. Morigeau

**HEARING ON SB 94**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:14:52 Sen. Susan Webber (D), SD 8, opened the hearing on SB94, Establishing Indigenous People's Day.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

16:19:30 Roberta Duckhead Kittson Nyomo, citizen  
16:21:16 Ben Bahr, citizen  
16:21:47 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes  
16:22:21 Conner Bushnell, Montana Youth Action  
16:25:02 Sam Forstag, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana  
16:25:20 Crystal Alegria, Bozeman  
16:26:01 Marsha Small, Indigenous Peoples' Day  
16:27:12 Alex Newby, Belgrade  
16:28:00 Danielle Vazquez, Missoula  
16:28:58 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Center  
16:29:47 Sydney Barry, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence  
16:30:16 Souta Calling Last, citizen  
16:31:46 Cari Kimball, Montana Environmental Information Center

Additional Testimony Received:

[EXHIBIT\(sts28a10\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

16:33:57 Chair Kary  
16:34:24 Ms. Calling Last, citizen  
16:35:50 Chair Kary  
16:36:09 Ms. Calling Last

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:36:51 Sen. Webber

16:41:56 Chair Kary

16:42:11 Sen. Cuffe

16:42:31 Sen. Morigeau

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:43 PM

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Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([sts28aad.pdf](#))