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MONTANA SENATE
67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Daniel R. Salomon, on February 15, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Theresa Manzella (R)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)
Sen. Mark Sweeney (D)

Members Present by Video Zoom Conference:
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary
Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch
Lindsey Bales, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 206, 2/11/2021
Executive Action: SB 99, Do Pass As Amended; HB 143, Be Concurred In

14:56:18 Chair Salomon

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 99

14:57:38 **Motion:** Sen. Tempel moved that **SB 99 DO PASS**.

14:57:49 **Motion:** Sen. Tempel moved that **SB 99 BE AMENDED**.
EXHIBIT(eds31a01)
EXHIBIT(eds31a02)

Discussion:
14:58:06 Sen. Smith
15:01:00 Chair Salomon

15:01:14 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Hertz voted by proxy.

15:01:37 **Motion:** Sen. Tempel moved that **SB 99 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:
15:01:55 Sen. McClafferty
15:03:16 Sen. Manzella

15:04:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-4 by roll call vote with Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien, Sen. Sweeney and Sen. Webber voting no. Sen. Hertz voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 143

15:05:28 Chair Salomon

15:05:33 **Motion:** Sen. Tempel moved that **HB 143 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:
15:05:44 Sen. Sweeney
15:05:59 Sen. McClafferty
15:06:16 Sen. O'Brien
15:07:08 Sen. Webber

15:07:43 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Hertz voted by proxy. Sen. Salomon will carry the bill.

15:08:08 Chair Salomon
15:08:17 Padraic McCracken, Legislative Services Division

15:08:33 Chair Salomon left the hearing and Sen. Tempel assumed the role of the Chair.

HEARING ON SB 206

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
15:09:01 Sen. Mark Sweeney (D), SD 39, opened the hearing on SB206, Revise report publication date for teacher loan forgiveness program.

Proponents' Testimony:
15:12:32 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
15:13:31 Sen. Regier
15:14:12 Sen. Sweeney

Closing by Sponsor:
15:14:33 Sen. Sweeney

15:14:58 Chair Tempel

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:15 P.M.

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Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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