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MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Sen. Chris Friedel, on February 17, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Ellie Boldman, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. John Esp, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)

Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Terry Gauthier, Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Jason W. Ellsworth (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Izmerai Alvarado, Committee Secretary
Toni Henneman, 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 211, 2/11/2021

HEARING ON SB 211

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:01:17 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, opened the hearing on SB211, Revise local subdivision review criteria regarding agriculture.

EXHIBIT(los33a01)

15:01:01 Sen Boldman left the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:04:45 Alan McCormick, Montana Association of Realtors

15:11:02 Paul Forsting, Missoula

15:15:15 Paul Rossignol, Lolo

15:18:34 Heather Wills, Potomac

EXHIBIT(los33a02)

15:21:30 Buzz Alexander, Frenchtown

EXHIBIT(los33a03)

15:25:09 Brain Dougherty, Missoula

15:30:31 Charles, Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana

15:32:23 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

15:33:27 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association

15:34:13 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors

Opponents' Testimony:

15:37:04 Mayre Flowers, Montana Smart Growth Coalition

15:40:20 Derf Johnson, Montana Environmental Information Center

15:44:04 Josh Slotnick, Missoula County

EXHIBIT(los33a04)

15:46:54 Carolyn Craven, Great Falls

EXHIBIT(los33a05)

15:50:56 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon

EXHIBIT(los33a06)

15:55:00 Kathleen McMahon, Whitefish

Additional Testimony Received :

EXHIBIT(los33a07)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:59:39 Sen. Pope

16:02:01 Ms. McMahon, Whitefish

16:03:54 Sen. Pope

16:04:46 Ms. McMahon

Closing by Sponsor:

16:05:06 Sen. Fitzpatrick

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:08 PM

Izmerai Alvarado, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([los33aad.pdf](#))