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MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Brian Hoven, on February 17, 2021 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Brian Hoven, Chair (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Greg Hertz, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Walt Sales (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

Members Present by Video Zoom Conference:

Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary
Karli Kusler, 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 214, 2/11/2021
Executive Action: SB 205, Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 214**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:00:49 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB214, Revise laws related to temporary tribal property tax exemption.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:03:59 Gale Decker, commissioner, Lake County
[EXHIBIT\(tas33a01\)](#)

09:16:28 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Opponents' Testimony:

09:20:40 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
[EXHIBIT\(tas33a02\)](#)

09:25:39 Andy Werk Jr., Fort Belknap Indian Community
09:27:34 Keaton Sunchild, Western Native Voice
09:28:52 Iko' tsimiskimaki Beck, Indigenous Organizers Collective

09:30:16 Sen. Cohenour left the hearing.

09:30:29 SJ Howell, Montana Women Vote
09:30:59 Preston Parish, Montana Budget & Policy Center
09:32:49 Shelly Fyant, CSKT
09:36:05 Danielle Vazquez, Missoula
[EXHIBIT\(tas33a03\)](#)

09:36:59 Daliyah Killsback, Helena

Informational Testimony:

09:38:13 Kory Hofland, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:38:48 Sen. Tempel
09:39:05 Ms. Killsback, Helena
09:39:54 Sen. McClafferty
09:42:25 Mr. Thompson, CSKT
09:42:58 Sen. McClafferty
09:44:58 Sen. Hertz
09:45:17 Sen. Sales
09:47:11 Mr. Hofland, DOR
09:47:39 Chair Hoven
09:52:36 Mr. Thompson
09:53:23 Sen. Sales
09:53:54 Sen. Hertz
09:54:04 Sen. Tempel
09:55:23 Mr. Decker, Lake County
09:56:42 Chair Hoven
09:56:50 Mr. Decker

09:57:25 Chair Hoven

09:58:43 Sen. Hertz

Closing by Sponsor:

09:59:29 Sen. Hertz

10:02:12 Sen. Molnar entered the hearing.

10:02:25 Chair Hoven

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 205

10:02:49 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hertz moved that **SB 205 DO PASS**. Motion carried 9-0 by voice vote. Sen. Cohenour and Sen. Pomnichowski voted by proxy. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Vance were excused.

10:03:29 Chair Hoven

10:04:12 Sen. Hertz

10:04:23 Sen. Molnar

10:04:31 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division

10:04:45 Sen. Molnar

10:04:48 Chair Hoven

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:05 A.M.

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas33aad.pdf](#))