

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Gordon Vance, on February 25, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Gordon Vance, Chair (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Bryce Bennett (D)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Mike Fox (D)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)
Sen. Carl Glimm (R)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)

Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Carlie Boland, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Theresa Manzella (R)
Sen. Tom McGillvray (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Karli Kusler, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch
Gwyn Schooler, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 372, 2/25/2021
Executive Action: SB 274; SB 300; SB 372; SJ 12

15:18:46 Sen. Welborn entered the meeting.

HEARING ON SB 372

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:18:59 Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB372, Revise driver license laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:20:51 Shawn Lar, citizen

15:21:54 Sen. Fitzpatrick entered the meeting.

15:23:13 Terri Kunz, county treasurer, Jefferson County

15:24:42 Laurie Bakri, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:26:00 Sen. Friedel

15:26:32 Ms. Bakri, DOJ

15:26:48 Sen. Friedel

15:27:04 Ms. Bakri

15:27:08 Sen. Friedel

15:27:22 Ms. Bakri

15:27:38 Sen. Friedel

15:28:08 Ms. Bakri

Closing by Sponsor:

15:28:36 Sen. McClafferty

15:29:18 Sen. Boland

15:29:33 Chair Vance

15:29:36 Recess

15:40:05 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 274

15:40:32 Sen. Sands

15:40:53 **Motion:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SB 274 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:41:17 Sen. Glimm

15:41:40 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Glimm, Sen. Manzella, Sen. C. Smith, Sen. Vance and Sen. Welborn voting no. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 300

15:42:42 **Motion:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SB 300 DO PASS.**

15:42:59 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 300 BE AMENDED.**
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Discussion:

15:43:08 Sen. Glimm
15:44:14 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:44:27 Chair Vance
15:44:34 Sen. Bennett
15:44:56 Sen. Glimm
15:45:07 Ms. Sankey Keip, LSD

15:45:42 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

15:46:13 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SB 300 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 372

15:46:53 **Motion:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SB 372 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:47:10 Chair Vance
15:47:34 Sen. Sands
15:48:35 Chair Vance

15:48:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 12

15:48:57 **Motion:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SJ 12 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:49:12 Sen. Sands

15:49:33 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-8 by roll call vote with Sen. Bennett, Sen. Boland, Sen. Fox, Sen. Gross and Sen. Sands voting aye. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

15:50:58 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Welborn moved that **SJ 12 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 9-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Bennett, Sen. Boland, Sen. Fox and Sen. Gross voting no. Sen. Gross, Sen. Manzella and Sen. McGillvray voted by proxy.

15:52:09 Chair Vance

15:52:30 Sen. Boland

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:52 PM

Gwyn Schooler, Secretary

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