

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Brian Hoven, on March 19, 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. Brad Molnar (R)  
Sen. Walt Sales (R)  
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

**Members Present by Video Zoom Conference:**

Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)  
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (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 375, 3/16/2021  
Executive Action:  
HJ 6 - Be Concurred In  
HB 346 - Be Concurred In  
HB 432 - Be Concurred In  
HB 516 - Be Tabled  
HB 526 - Be Tabled  
HB 616 - Motion withdrawn

**HEARING ON SB 375****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:00:46 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB375, Limit property tax increases for certain individuals.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

09:13:12 Kory Hofland, Department of Revenue (DOR)

09:13:34 Bryce Kaatz, DOR

09:13:54 Eric Dale, DOR

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:14:13 Sen. Cohenour

09:14:46 Mr. Hofland, DOR

09:14:55 Mr. Kaatz, DOR

09:15:10 Sen. Cohenour

09:15:21 Mr. Kaatz

09:15:53 Sen. Molnar

09:18:42 Mr. Hofland

09:18:49 Sen. Cohenour

09:19:17 Mr. Kaatz

09:19:53 Sen. Hertz

09:20:32 Sen. Regier

09:20:53 Sen. Hertz

09:20:59 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division

09:21:33 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:23:22 Mr. Kaatz

09:25:55 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:26:28 Sen. Cohenour

09:28:24 Sen. Regier

09:29:57 Sen. Tempel

09:30:30 Sen. Regier

09:31:04 Chair Hoven

09:31:28 Sen. Regier

09:31:54 Chair Hoven

09:32:00 Mr. Kaatz

09:32:12 Sen. Regier

09:32:27 Chair Hoven

09:32:47 Mr. Kaatz

09:33:32 Sen. Molnar

09:33:46 Sen. Regier

09:34:12 Chair Hoven

09:35:09 Mr. Kaatz

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:35:41 Sen. Regier

09:37:05 Chair Hoven

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 6**

09:37:22 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HJ 6 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

09:37:46 Sen . Molnar

09:37:55 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-3 by voice vote with Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. O'Brien, Sen. Sales and Sen. Vance voted by proxy. Sen. Hertz will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 346**

09:39:57 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 346 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

09:40:22 Sen. Cohenour

09:40:42 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. O'Brien, Sen. Sales and Sen. Vance voted by proxy. Sen. Tempel will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 432**

09:41:17 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 432 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

09:41:26 Sen. Sales entered the meeting.

09:41:42 Sen. Cohenour

09:42:00 Sen. Tempel

09:42:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Vance voted by proxy. Sen. Cohenour will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 516**

09:42:47 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 516 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:43:05 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Tempel made a substitute motion that **HB 516 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 8-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Hertz and Sen. Molnar voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 526**

09:44:28 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 526 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:44:48 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Cohenour made a substitute motion that **HB 526 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Hertz, Sen. Molnar and Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 616**

09:46:02 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 616 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:46:29 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 616 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT**(tas55a01)

**Discussion:**

09:47:01 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

09:48:06 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:49:39 Sen. Sales

09:50:19 Mr. Coles, LSD

09:51:22 Chair Hoven

09:51:32 Mr. Coles

09:51:54 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:52:36 Sen. Tempel

09:53:02 Mr. Coles

09:53:57 Sen. Hertz

09:54:40 Sen. Cohenour

09:55:21 Sen. Hertz

09:55:32 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:56:11 Sen. Cohenour

09:56:48 Without objection, Sen. Hertz withdrew the **BE AMENDED** motion.

9:56:50 Without objection, Sen. Hertz withdrew the **BE CONCURRED IN** motion.

09:57:07 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:57:38 Mr. Coles

09:58:03 Chair Hoven

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:58 A.M.

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Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([tas55aad.pdf](#))