

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Brian Hoven, on March 25, 2021 at 10:00 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)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Present by Video Zoom Conference:

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

Members Excused:

Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, Committee Secretary
Alex Colafrancesco, 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:

Executive Action:
HB 191 - Be Concurred In
HB 357 - Be Concurred In As Amended
HB 394 - Be Concurred In
HB 616 - Be Concurred In As Amended
SB 376 - Do Pass
SB 181 - Be Tabled

10:00:19 Chair Hoven
10:01:15 Karli Kusler, Remote Meeting Coordinator
10:01:36 Chair Hoven

Discussion:

10:02:14 David Klemp, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
10:03:07 Sen. Cohenour
10:03:59 Mr. Klemp, DEQ
10:06:39 Chair Hoven
10:07:42 Mr. Klemp
10:07:54 Chair Hoven

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 191

10:08:41 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 191 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

10:09:12 Chair Hoven

10:09:31 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy. Sen. Hoven will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 357

10:10:01 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 357 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:10:17 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 357 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(tas59a01\)](#)

Discussion:

10:10:30 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division
10:13:21 Sen. Cohenour
10:13:53 Bryce Kaatz, Department of Revenue (DOR)
10:14:43 Sen. Cohenour
10:15:04 Chair Hoven
10:15:17 Sen. Cohenour
10:15:33 Sen. Hertz
10:16:06 Chair Hoven
10:16:33 Sen. Cohenour
10:16:56 Chair Hoven
10:17:05 Mr. Kaatz, DOR
10:18:32 Chair Hoven
10:18:36 Sen. Tempel
10:18:47 Mr. Kaatz
10:19:19 Chair Hoven

10:19:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-4 by voice vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy.

10:20:15 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 357 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy. Sen. O'Brien will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 394

10:21:16 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 394 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

10:21:40 Sen. Cohenour

10:21:58 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy. Sen. Hertz will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 616

10:22:31 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 616 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

10:23:00 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

10:25:58 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 616 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(tas59a02\)](#)

Discussion:

10:26:12 Sen. Cohenour

10:26:28 Chair Hoven

10:26:36 Mr. Coles, LSD

10:26:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy.

10:27:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hertz moved that **HB 616 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy. Sen. Hertz will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 181

10:28:08 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hertz moved that **SB 181 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 376

10:28:46 **Motion:** Sen. Hertz moved that **SB 376 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

10:29:01 Sen. Cohenour

10:29:31 Sen. Hertz

10:30:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy.

Discussion:

10:31:07 Chair Hoven
10:31:59 Sen. Hertz
10:32:03 Chair Hoven
10:32:15 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division
10:32:32 Chair Hoven

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:32 A.M.

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas59aad.pdf](#))