

MINUTES
MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (H) TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Denley Loge-R, on February 06, 2023 at 3:04 PM, in 455

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Denley Loge, Chair (R)
Rep. Neil Duram, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Dave Fern, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Brad Barker (R)
Rep. Tony Brockman (R)
Rep. Edward Butcher (R)
Rep. Bob Carter (D)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Jennifer Lynch (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Tanner Smith (R)
Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (R)
Rep. Zack Wirth (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Denise Baum (D)
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)

Staff Present: Sara Hess, Research Analyst
Macy McCauley, Secretary

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:

HB 374 02/02/2023

Executive Action:

Committee Discussion:

15:06:20 Malcom Long, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:08:59 Bob Vosin, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:09:25 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger
15:11:50 Gino Leva, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:13:15 Shane Mitz, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:14:58 Rep. Frank Smith
15:16:35 Mike Taylor, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
15:17:35 Rep. Tony Brockman
15:19:01 Rep. Dave Fern
15:19:44 Rep. Denley Loge

HEARING ON HB 374 - Create offense for failure to yield to an emergency vehicle

Opening Statement:

15:20:45 Rep. Donavon Hawk (D), HD 76, opened the hearing on HB 374, Create offense for failure to yield to an emergency vehicle.

Proponent Testimony:

15:23:42 Dave Galt, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)
15:24:16 Joel Gaertig, Montana Firemen's Association
15:26:31 Dan Smith, Montana Police Protective Association (MPPA)
15:27:19 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe
15:28:11 Jim Dusenberry, Montana Tow Truck Association
15:31:06 John Iverson, AAA Motor Club

Opponent Testimony:

15:31:41 Bob Gilbert, Montana Tow Truck Association

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:33:29 Rep. Scot Kerns

15:34:15 Rep. Donavon Hawk-D

15:34:31 Rep. Dave Fern

15:36:00 Rep. Bob Carter

Closing Statement:

15:37:09 Rep. Donavon Hawk (D), HD 76, closed the hearing on HB 374.

Committee Discussion:

15:37:55 Rep. Denley Loge

15:38:16 Rep. Neil Duram

15:38:53 Dave Galt, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)

15:41:25 Larry Flynn, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)

15:43:15 Brad Longcake, Montana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association

15:43:29 Rep. Bob Carter

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15:46:15 Rep. Dave Fern

15:57:18 Rep. Tanner Smith

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:00:56

Macy McCauley, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230206TRHaad\)](#)