

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

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Julie Dooling-R, on February 09, 2023 at 9:00 AM, in 455

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Julie Dooling, Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Bob Phalen, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Denise Baum (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Tony Brockman (R)
Rep. Paul Green (R)
Rep. Gary Parry (R)
Rep. Linda Reksten (R)
Rep. Tyson Running Wolf (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)
Rep. Zack Wirth (R)
Rep. Michael Yakawich (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

Staff Present: Heather Kellum, Secretary
Rebecca Power, Research Analyst

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 384 02/06/2023

HB 387 02/06/2023

Executive Action:

HB 136 PASS CONSIDERATION
HB 309 WITHDRAW MOTION TO
AMEND

HB 314 DO PASS AS AMENDED
HB 316 DO PASS
HB 319 TO TABLE

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 136 - Adopt Montana Revised Unclaimed Property Act

- 09:03:17 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 136 DO PASS.**
- 09:03:23 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 136 BE AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 09:03:35 Rep. Kelly Kortum
- 09:03:41 Rebecca Power
- 09:05:01 Rep. Marta Bertoglio
- 09:03:23 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 09:06:27 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 136 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 09:06:58 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 136 PASS CONSIDERATION.**
- 09:06:58 **Vote:** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

HEARING ON HB 384 - Allow hard copy campaign finance reports in certain circumstances

Opening Statement:

- 09:07:52 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R), HD 67, opened the hearing on HB 384, Allow hard copy campaign finance reports in certain circumstances.

Proponent Testimony:

- 09:11:24 Jennifer Carlson, Representative HD 69

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

- 09:12:50 Scott Cook, Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

Questions from Committee:

- 09:13:17 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger
- 09:13:38 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle-R
- 09:14:47 Rep. Linda Reksten

09:15:57 Scott Cook, COPP
09:17:12 Rep. Linda Reksten
09:17:27 Scott Cook, COPP
09:18:30 Rep. Kelly Kortum
09:18:51 Scott Cook, COPP
09:21:21 Rep. Kelly Kortum
09:21:31 Scott Cook, COPP
09:23:21 Rep. Paul Green
09:23:51 Scott Cook, COPP
09:24:25 Rep. Tony Brockman
09:25:16 Scott Cook, COPP
09:25:32 Rep. Tony Brockman
09:25:42 Scott Cook, COPP
09:26:18 Rep. Julie Dooling
09:26:47 Scott Cook, COPP
09:28:17 Rep. Julie Dooling
09:28:33 Scott Cook, COPP
09:28:57 Rep. Julie Dooling
09:29:56 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle-R
09:32:33 Rep. Julie Dooling
09:32:46 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle-R

Closing Statement:

09:33:26 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R), HD 67, closed the hearing on HB 384.

HEARING ON HB 387 - Generally revise constituent accounts

Opening Statement:

09:36:34 Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 387, Generally revise constituent accounts.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

09:40:46 Scott Cook, Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices, COPP

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Questions from Committee:

09:41:34 Rep. Gary Parry
09:41:55 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:46:19 Rep. Ed Stafman
09:47:14 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:48:58 Rep. Kenneth Walsh
09:49:45 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:50:45 Rep. Gary Parry
09:51:06 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:51:25 Rep. Denise Baum
09:51:58 Scott Cook, COPP
09:52:43 Rep. Denise Baum
09:53:11 Scott Cook, COPP
09:53:16 Rep. Kenneth Walsh

09:53:24 Rep. Linda Reksten
09:54:10 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:55:25 Rep. Kenneth Walsh
09:56:39 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
09:58:49 Rep. Bob Phalen
09:59:42 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
10:00:16 Rep. Tyson Running Wolf
10:00:50 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
10:02:24 Rep. Tyson Running Wolf
10:02:51 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
10:03:40 Rep. Tony Brockman
10:04:19 Rep. Ed Stafman
10:05:22 Rep. Julie Dooling

Closing Statement:

10:06:02 Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, closed the hearing on HB 387.

10:07:35 **Recessed**

10:36:19 **Reconvened**

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 309 - Revise voting requirements of quasi-judicial boards

10:36:28 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 309 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:37:16 Rep. Julie Dooling

10:37:21 Rep. Kelly Kortum

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10:38:10 Rep. Denise Baum

10:39:00 Rep. Frank Smith

10:40:00 Rep. Ed Stafman

10:40:44 **Motion:** Rep. Ed Stafman moved that **HB 309 BE AMENDED.**

10:41:12 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Kelly Kortum moved that **HB 309 POSTPONE ACTION.**

Discussion:

10:41:31 Rep. Tony Brockman

Vote: Substitute Motion failed 12 - 5 by voice vote with Rep. Baum, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf, Rep. Smith, Rep. Stafman, voting yes.

Discussion:

10:45:55 Rep. Tony Brockman

10:46:24 Rep. Julie Dooling

10:46:36 Rep. Bob Phalen

10:47:15 Rebecca Power

10:47:33 Rep. Kelly Kortum

10:48:01 **Motion:** Rep. Ed Stafman moved that **HB 309 WITHDRAW MOTION TO AMEND.**

10:48:54 Rep. Tyson Running Wolf

10:49:10 Rep. Paul Green

10:49:50 Rep. Courtney Sprunger

Vote: Motion carried 16 - 2 by voice vote with Rep. Kortum, Rep. Weatherwax, voting no.
Rep. Weatherwax, By Proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 314 - Revise compensation for members of boards, commissions, and councils

10:51:37 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 314 DO PASS.**

10:52:18 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 314 BE AMENDED.**

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:53:07 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 314 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 316 - Generally revise laws related to advisory councils

10:54:00 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 316 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:54:22 Heather Kellum

10:54:28 Rep. Tony Brockman

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 319 - Revise laws related to FURS membership

10:55:30 **Motion:** Rep. Bob Phalen moved that **HB 319 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:55:39 Rep. Paul Green

10:56:30 **Motion:** Rep. Gary Parry moved that **HB 319 BE TABLED.**

Vote: Motion failed 13 - 5 by voice vote with Rep. Baum, Rep. Dooling, Rep. Parry, Rep. Reksten, Rep. Sprunger, voting yes.

10:58:16 Rep. Greg Frazer

10:59:27 Rep. Bob Phalen

10:59:50 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger

11:00:22 Rep. Denise Baum

11:01:20 Rep. Tony Brockman

11:02:15 Rep. Frank Smith

11:03:12 Rep. Gary Parry

11:04:03 Rep. Kelly Kortum

11:04:32 Rep. Julie Dooling

11:04:36 Rebecca Power

Vote: Motion failed 9-9 by roll call vote.

11:07:10 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 319 BE TABLED.**

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:08:47

Heather Kellum, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230209STHaad\)](#)