

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

Call to Order: Chair Neil Duram-R, on March 17, 2023 at 2:23 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. Scot Kerns (R)
Rep. Tanner Smith (R)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Zack Wirth (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Denise Baum (D)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Jennifer Lynch (D)
Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (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 823 03/15/2023

Executive Action:

SB 106
SB 221
SB 234
SB 144
HB 823 DO PASS AS AMENDED

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 106 - Revise vehicle and vessel title laws relating to transfer

14:25:33 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 106 BE CONCURRED IN.**

14:25:33 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:25:33 **Carrier Assigned:** Rep. Bob Carter

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 221 - Allow USS Montana crew to apply for license plates

14:27:17 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 221 BE CONCURRED IN.**

14:27:40 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 221 BE AMENDED.**

14:27:40 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:27:42 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 221 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

14:27:42 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:27:42 **Carrier Assigned:** Rep. Paul Green

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 234 - Revise laws related to vending machine installation at rest areas

14:33:05 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 234 BE CONCURRED IN.**

14:33:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 13 - 2 by voice vote with Rep. Carter, Rep. Dooling, voting no.
Rep. Dooling, By Proxy

14:33:05 **Carrier Assigned:** Rep. Denise Baum

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 144 - Revise helmet requirement regarding completely enclosed autocycles

14:41:29 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 144 BE CONCURRED IN.**

14:43:01 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 144 BE AMENDED.**

14:43:01 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:43:40 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **SB 144 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

14:43:40 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

14:43:40 **Carrier Assigned:** Rep. Sherry Essmann

HEARING ON HB 823 - Provide for alternative fuel taxation

Opening Statement:

15:03:54 Chair Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 823, Provide for alternative fuel taxation.

Discussion:

15:03:56 Rep. Denley Loge-R

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:06:04 Kendra Smith

Questions from Committee:

15:05:37 Vice Chair Duram takes over as Chair.

15:06:28 Vice Chair Dave Fern

15:07:47 Rep. Tanner Smith

15:09:32 Rep. Bob Carter

15:10:46 Vice Chair Neil Duram

Closing Statement:

15:12:32 Chair Denley Loge (R), HD 14, closed the hearing on HB 823.

Discussion:

15:12:36 Rep. Denley Loge-R

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 823 - Provide for alternative fuel taxation

- 15:17:04 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **HB 823 DO PASS.**
- 15:17:18 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **HB 823 BE AMENDED.**
- 15:17:18 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 15:18:44 **Motion:** Rep. Neil Duram moved that **HB 823 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 15:18:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:21:37

Macy McCauley, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230317TRHaad\)](#)