

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

Call to Order: Chair Paul Fielder-R, on March 31, 2023 at 9:03 AM, in 152

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Paul Fielder, Chair (R)
Rep. Mark Thane, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Tom Welch, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Brad Barker (R)
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)
Rep. Alice Buckley (D)
Rep. Edward Butcher (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Rep. Sherry Essmann (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)
Rep. Marty Malone (R)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Russel Miner (R)
Rep. George Nikolakakos (R)
Rep. Melissa Romano (D)
Rep. Tanner Smith (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Staff Present: Brigitte Bellefleur, Secretary
Megan Moore, 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:

Executive Action:

HB 963 DO PASS

09:04:43 Chair Fielder

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 963 - Generally revise state financing laws and create tax rebate fund

09:09:15 **Motion:** Rep. Tom Welch moved that **HB 963 TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE.**

09:09:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 12 - 7 by roll call vote with Rep. Buckley, Rep. Cohenour, Rep. Fern, Rep. Marler, Rep. Nikolakakos, Rep. Romano, Rep. Thane, voting no.

09:11:01 **Motion:** Rep. Tom Welch moved that **HB 963 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

09:11:19 Rep. Jill Cohenour

09:12:37 Rep. Sue Vinton joined the meeting.

09:12:49 Rep. Dave Fern

09:13:15 Vice Chair Tom Welch

09:13:47 Rep. Dave Fern

09:14:27 Rep. Tanner Smith

09:15:02 Rep. George Nikolakakos

09:15:59 Rep. Sherry Essmann

09:16:33 Vice Chair Mark Thane

09:17:45 Rep. Sue Vinton

09:18:25 Rep. Dave Fern

09:19:36 Chair Paul Fielder

09:20:13 Rep. Marty Malone

09:11:01 **Vote:** Motion carried 12 - 9 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buckley, Rep. Cohenour, Rep. Essmann, Rep. Fern, Rep. Marler, Rep. Nikolakakos, Rep. Romano, Rep. Thane, voting no.
Rep. Abbott, By Proxy

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 09:22:58

Brigitte Bellefleur, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230331TAHaad\)](#)