

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) RULES

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick-R, on January 03, 2023 at 10:32 AM, in 405

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Chair (R)
Sen. Jason Ellsworth, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Pat Flowers, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)
Sen. Bob Brown (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)
Sen. Dennis Lenz (R)
Sen. Shane Morigeau (D)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)

Members Excused: Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Sen. Tom McGillvray (R)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)
Sen. Barry Usher (R)
Sen. Jeffrey Welborn (R)

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Attorney
Todd Everts, Attorney
Jacelyn Sterling, 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:

SJ 1 12/28/2022
SR 1 12/28/2022

Executive Action:

SR 1 DO PASS
SJ 1 DO PASS AS AMENDED

10:33:11

Sen. Fitzpatrick turned the duties and responsibilities of Chair over to Sen. Hertz.

HEARING ON SR 1 - Senate Resolution on the Senate rules

Opening Statement:

10:34:21 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, opened the hearing on SR 1, Senate Resolution on the Senate rules.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

10:35:38 Pat Mischel, self

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

None

Closing Statement:

10:36:31 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, closed the hearing on SR 1.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 1 - Senate Resolution on the Senate rules

10:39:50 **Motion:** Sen. Greg Hertz moved that **SR 1 DO PASS.**

10:39:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 1 - Senate Joint Resolution on the joint rules

10:42:24 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. Greg Hertz moved that **SJ 1 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:39:37 Sen. Fitzpatrick took chair

10:42:48

10:32:36 Sen. Ellsworth has left

10:39:57 Sen. Usher has arrived

10:40:50 Sen. Welborn has arrived

10:40:51 Sen. McGillvray has arrived

10:42:45 Sen. Janet Ellis

10:43:07 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick

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10:42:24 **Vote:** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:43:49 **Motion:** Sen. Greg Hertz moved that **SJ 1 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

10:43:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

HEARING ON SJ 1 - Senate Joint Resolution on the joint rules

Opening Statement:

10:36:38 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, opened the hearing on SJ 1, Senate Joint Resolution on the joint rules.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

10:38:00 Pat Misch, self

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

None

Closing Statement:

10:39:30 Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), SD 10, closed the hearing on SJ 1.

Discussion:

10:33:11 Sen. Fitzpatrick turned the duties and responsibilities of Chair over to Sen. Hertz.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:44:20

Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230103RUSaad\)](#)