

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA None**

**68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON (S) JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON REDISTRICTING**

**Call to Order:** Chair Sen. Mike Cuffe-R, on January 17, 2023 at 2:07 PM, in 303

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Sen. Mike Cuffe, Chair (R)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Sen. Dan Bartel (R)  
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R)  
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)

**Staff Present:** Emilia Gilsdorf, Secretary  
Rachel Weiss

**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 8 01/17/2023

Executive Action:

14:08:00

**Committee Discussion:**

14:08:00 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:22:51

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15:20:30 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:22:13 Rep. Kim Abbott

15:22:23 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:23:02 Rachel Weiss

15:23:17 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:23:40 Rep. Bill Mercer

15:24:02 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:24:36 Rep. Bill Mercer

15:25:08 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:26:40 Rachel Weiss

15:27:02 Sen. Mike Cuffe

**HEARING ON SJ 8 - Joint resolution on redistricting**

**Opening Statement:**

14:12:35 Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R), SD 43, opened the hearing on SJ 8, Joint resolution on redistricting.

**Proponent Testimony:**

14:20:19 Linda Reksten, HD 12

[EXHIBIT\(230117SRSa1\)](#)

14:22:26 Don Kaltschmidt, Chair, Montana Republican Party

14:25:55 Paul Fielder, HD 13

14:26:48 John Brenden, self

14:27:51 Tanner Smith, HD 11

14:29:28 Joe Read, HD 93

14:31:47 Ron Marshall, HD 87

14:33:05 Sue Vinton, HD 56

14:34:10 Ed Butcher, HD 29

14:35:26 Chris Friedel, SD 26

14:36:21 Paul Green, HD 41

14:37:28 Rhonda Knudsen, HD 34

14:39:36 Jim Buterbaugh, self

14:41:12 Jerry Schillinger, HD 37

14:42:32 Mike Hopkins, HD 92

14:43:59 Steve Gist, HD 25

14:44:25 Greg Oblander, HD 40

14:45:31 Marty Malone, HD 59

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14:46:27 Lyn Hellegaard, HD 97

14:47:25 Mark Noland, SD 5

14:48:01 Donna Elford, self

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14:49:00 Dan Maclean, self

14:49:23 Steven Galloway, HD 24  
14:50:37 Robyn Mohs, self  
14:51:49 Lola Sheldon-Galloway, HD 22  
14:52:56 Chiko Olson, self  
14:54:05 Mary Tapper, self  
14:55:39 Becky Stockton, self  
14:57:23 Lisa Bennett, self  
14:59:31 Elizabeth Hale, self

**Opponent Testimony:**

15:00:37 Jonathan Windy Boy, HD 32  
15:04:05 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfoot Tribe

**Informational Witness Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee:**

14:13:48  
15:11:02 Rep. Kim Abbott  
15:11:39 Don Kaltschmidt- Chair, Montana Republican Party  
15:12:35 Rep. Kim Abbott  
15:12:51 Don Kaltschmidt- Chair, Montana Republican Party  
15:13:00 Rep. Kim Abbott  
15:13:03 Don Kaltschmidt- Chair, Montana Republican Party  
15:13:20 Sen. Mike Cuffe  
15:13:22 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle  
15:14:27 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfoot Tribe  
15:15:48 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle

15:16:17 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfoot Tribe

15:16:31 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:16:34 Sen. Ryan Lynch

15:17:36 Sen. Jason Ellsworth-R

15:18:55 Sen. Mike Cuffe

15:18:56 Sen. Ryan Lynch

15:18:59 Sen. Mike Cuffe

**Closing Statement:**

15:19:20 Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R), SD 43, closed the hearing on SJ 8.

**Discussion:**

14:08:00

15:22:51

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 15:27:56

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Emilia Gilsdorf, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230117SRSaad\)](#)