

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

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Chris Friedel-R, on January 18, 2023 at 1:52 PM, in 405

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Chris Friedel, Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)
Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)
Sen. Terry Vermeire (R)
Sen. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Staff Present: Toni Henneman, Research Analyst
Lorna Mason, 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 67 01/13/2023
SB 170 01/16/2023
SB 173 01/16/2023

Executive Action:

SB 143 DO PASS AS AMENDED
HB 67
SB 173 DO PASS

HEARING ON HB 67 - Revise laws related to real estate appraisers

Opening Statement:

14:25:44 Rep. Nelly Nicol (D), HD 83, opened the hearing on HB 67, Revise laws related to real estate appraisers.

Proponent Testimony:

14:27:06 Eric Straus, Department of Labor and Industry

14:27:37 Sen. Terry Vermeire joined the meeting.

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

14:29:11 Sen. Forrest Mandeville

14:29:34 Sponsor

Closing Statement:

14:29:54 Rep. Nelly Nicol (D), HD 83, closed the hearing on HB 67.

HEARING ON SB 173 - Revise county road abandonment process laws

Opening Statement:

14:30:44 Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R), SD 19, opened the hearing on SB 173, Revise county road abandonment process laws.

Proponent Testimony:

14:32:31 Roy Rost, Fallon County Commission

14:37:02 Karen Alley, Montana Association of Counties (MACO)

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

None

Closing Statement:

14:41:01 Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R), SD 19, closed the hearing on SB 173.

HEARING ON SB 170 - Allow for administrative minor subdivision process

Opening Statement:

14:41:37 Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R), SD 57, opened the hearing on SB 170, Allow for administrative minor subdivision process.

Proponent Testimony:

14:47:16 Andrew Hagemeyer, Montana Association of Planners (MAP)

14:51:11 Cory Shaw, Montana Association of Realtors

14:52:13 Ann Schwend, Sustainable Communities

14:53:57 Tim Worley, Missoula County

Opponent Testimony:

14:56:01 Karen Alley, Montana Association of Counties (MACO)

14:57:54 Sen. Daniel Zolnikov joined the meeting.

14:58:25 Sean O'Callaghan, Planner for Gallatin County

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:02:55 Sen. Christopher Pope

15:07:52 Sen. Forrest Mandeville-R

15:08:15 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell

15:10:40 Andrew Hagemeyer, MAP

Closing Statement:

15:10:59 Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R), SD 57, closed the hearing on SB 170.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 143 - Allow for a referendum to terminate citizen initiated zoning district

15:14:53 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 143 DO PASS.**

15:15:08 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 143 BE AMENDED.**

15:15:08 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:15:42 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 143 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

15:15:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 8 - 1 by voice vote with Sen. Pope, voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 67 - Revise laws related to real estate appraisers

15:16:47 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **HB 67 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:16:47 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:16:47 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 173 - Revise county road abandonment process laws

15:18:38 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 173 DO PASS.**

15:18:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:36:14

Lorna Mason, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230118LOSaad\)](#)