

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Daniel Salomon-R, on January 23, 2023 at 3:02 PM, in 422

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Daniel Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel Emrich (R)
Sen. John Fuller (R)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. Andrea Olsen (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Staff Present: Pad McCracken, Research Analyst
Lynnette Sena, 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 21 01/18/2023

HB 22 01/18/2023

Executive Action:

HB 61 BE CONCURRED IN

SB 129 DO PASS

SB 8 DO PASS

HEARING ON HB 21 - Revising process for adoption of school accreditation standards

Opening Statement:

15:03:07 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 21, Revising process for adoption of school accreditation standards.

Proponent Testimony:

15:05:08 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

None

Closing Statement:

15:06:15 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, closed the hearing on HB 21.

Discussion:

15:06:16 Sen. Andrea Olsen joined the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 22 - Revising use of revenue from teacher licensure fees

Opening Statement:

15:06:51 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 22, Revising use of revenue from teacher licensure fees.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:08:51 Jay Phillips, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee:

15:09:16 Sen. John Fuller

15:10:44 Rep. David Bedey-R

15:11:05 Sen. Shannon O'Brien joined the meeting.

15:11:15 Sen. Keith Regier

15:11:30 Jay Phillips, OPI

15:11:43 Rep. David Bedey-R

15:12:00 Sen. Keith Regier

15:12:10 Rep. David Bedey-R

15:12:37 Sen. Daniel Salomon

15:12:50 Rep. David Bedey-R

Closing Statement:

15:13:35 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, closed the hearing on HB 22.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 61 - Remove insurance continuing education council

15:15:57 **Motion:** Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel moved that **HB 61 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:15:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:15:57 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Daniel Salomon

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 129 - Revise laws related to compulsory attendance

15:17:09 **Motion:** Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel moved that **SB 129 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:26:18 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
15:27:00 Sen. Keith Regier
15:27:42 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
15:28:09 Sen. Daniel Salomon
15:28:52 Sen. Keith Regier
15:29:07 Sen. John Fuller
15:30:08 Sen. Daniel Emrich
15:33:02 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
15:33:50 Sen. Andrea Olsen
15:34:22 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
15:34:38 Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty
15:35:46 Sen. Keith Regier
15:36:25 Sen. John Fuller
15:36:40 Sen. Keith Regier
15:36:48 Sen. Daniel Emrich
15:17:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 9 - 2 by roll call vote with Sen. Emrich, Sen. Regier, voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 8 - Revise transformational learning program laws

15:17:09 **Motion:** Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel moved that **SB 8 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:17:19 Sen. Shannon O'Brien
15:23:14 Sen. Andrea Olsen-D
15:23:33 Sen. Shannon O'Brien
15:24:38 Sen. Daniel Salomon
15:25:04 Sen. Shannon O'Brien
15:25:23 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
15:25:30 Sen. Keith Regier
15:25:50 Sen. Daniel Salomon

15:17:38 **Motion:** Sen. Shannon O'Brien moved that **SB 8 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

15:17:51 Sen. Shannon O'Brien

15:19:33 Sen. Daniel Emrich

15:20:15 Sen. Shannon O'Brien

15:21:30 Sen. John Fuller

15:17:38 **Vote:** Motion failed 7 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien, Sen. Olsen, Sen. Webber, voting yes.
Sen. Webber, By Proxy

15:40:44 **Motion:** Sen. Shannon O'Brien moved that **SB 8 DO PASS.**

15:40:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:42:11

Lynnette Sena, Secretary

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