

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

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Daniel Salomon-R, on February 08, 2023 at 2:59 PM, in 422

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Daniel Salomon, Chair (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel Emrich (R)
Sen. John Fuller (R)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)
Sen. Andrea Olsen (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)

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:

SB 141 01/26/2023

Executive Action:

15:00:54

Sen. McClafferty has arrived

HEARING ON SB 141 - Create indigenous people's day

Opening Statement:

15:01:27 Sen. Shane Morigeau (D), SD 95, opened the hearing on SB 141, Create indigenous people's day.

Discussion:

15:04:45 Sen. John Fuller left the meeting.

Proponent Testimony:

15:08:34 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa1\)](#)

15:10:43 Lance Four Star, Montana American Indian Caucus (MAIC)

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa2\)](#)

15:13:08 Eduardo Duran, self

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa3\)](#)

15:15:42 Diana Burd, self

15:16:39 Michael Black Wolf, self

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa4\)](#)

15:18:55 Cinda Ironmaker, Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council (RMTLC)

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa5\)](#)

15:21:57 Nugget Mad Plume, self

15:23:21 Crystal Alegria, self

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa6\)](#)

15:26:19 Carson Taylor, self

[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa7\)](#)

15:29:14 Yulia Newby, self

15:30:14 Belinda Bullshoe, self

15:32:45 Emerson Bull Chief, Dean of Academics, Little Big Horn College
[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa8\)](#)

15:34:45 Dede Taylor, self
[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa9\)](#)

15:37:44 Kristin Ruppel, self

15:40:10 Rae Armstrong, Teacher, De La Salle Blackfeet School

15:43:25 Diana Burd, Sr., self

15:45:13 Matt Herman, self

15:47:18 Julia Strehlau Jacobs, self
[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa10\)](#)

15:49:23 Alex Newby, self
[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa11\)](#)

15:51:42 Marsha Small, Co-founder, Indigenous Peoples Day Montana

15:54:38 Roberta Duckhead Kittson Nyomo, self

15:57:07 Jonathan Windy Boy, Representative HD 32

15:57:45 Benjamin Lacayo, self

16:01:21 Sierra Scout, Student, De La Salle Blackfeet School

16:02:10 Jasper White Grass, Student, De La Salle Blackfeet School

16:02:50 Kaysen Davis, Student, De La Salle Blackfeet School

16:03:34 Shyanna Little Dogleon, Student, De La Salle Blackfeet School

16:04:26 Kendee Calfboss Ribsollinger, Student, De La Salle Blackfeet School

16:05:12 Sydney Littlelight, Intern, Western Native Voice

16:06:51 Bonnie Lambert, Montana Democratic Socialists of America (MT DSX)
[EXHIBIT\(230208EDSa12\)](#)

16:08:03 Everett Armstrong, Elected Leader, Blackfeet Tribe

16:10:13 Alyssa Kelly, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana (ACLU MT)

16:12:06 Jan Strout, President, Montana Chapter, National Organization for Women

16:14:19 Angelina Gonzalez-Aller, Executive Director, Montana Human Rights Network

16:15:57 Caryn Miske, Director, Montana Chapter, Sierra Club

16:17:27 Cherilyn DeVries, self

16:18:24 Joan SureChief, Director, Indian People's Action

16:20:50 Tom Mexicancheyenne, Northern Plains Resource Council

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

16:23:35 Sen. Daniel Emrich

16:32:08 Sen. Shane Morigeau

16:33:43 Sen. Susan Webber

16:34:09 Sen. Shane Morigeau

16:34:25 Pad McCracken

16:34:43 Sen. Andrea Olsen

16:36:22 Sen. Shane Morigeau

16:37:27 Sen. Andrea Olsen

16:37:34 Sen. Shannon O'Brien

16:37:49 Sen. Andrea Olsen

16:38:33 Sen. Susan Webber

Closing Statement:

16:40:54 Sen. Shane Morigeau (D), SD 95, closed the hearing on SB 141.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:43:42

Lynnette Sena, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230208EDSaad\)](#)