

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

Call to Order: Chair Chris Friedel-R, on February 27, 2023 at 9:02 AM, 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. Ellie Boldman (D)
Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R)
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:

SB 499 02/24/2023

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Executive Action:

SB 336 DO PASS AS AMENDED

SB 358 DO PASS AS AMENDED

SB 382 DO PASS AS AMENDED

SB 407 TO TABLE

SB 474 DO PASS

HEARING ON SB 499 - Revise adverse possession laws relating to certain land and improvements

Opening Statement:

09:03:05 Sen. Tom McGillvray (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 499, Revise adverse possession laws relating to certain land and improvements.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:06:18 Sen. Christopher Pope

09:08:39 Sen. Tom McGillvray-R

09:09:00 Vice Chair Mary Ann Dunwell

09:09:05 Sen. Tom McGillvray-R

Closing Statement:

09:10:38 Sen. Tom McGillvray (R), SD 23, closed the hearing on SB 499.

HEARING ON SB 500 - Provide uniform duration limit for latecomer agreements

Opening Statement:

09:18:18 Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R), SD 26, opened the hearing on SB 500, Provide uniform duration limit for latecomer agreements.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:22:13 Vice Chair Mary Ann Dunwell
09:25:12 Sen. Ellie Boldman
09:26:37 Sen. Christopher Pope
09:28:40 Sen. Forrest Mandeville
09:31:08 Sen. Ellie Boldman
09:32:14 Chair Chris Friedel
09:32:23 Toni Henneman
09:33:06 Sen. Christopher Pope
09:33:40 Sen. Ellie Boldman
09:35:14 Chair Chris Friedel
09:35:25 Sen. Forrest Mandeville

Closing Statement:

09:35:31 Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R), SD 26, closed the hearing on SB 500.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 336 - Allow for the creation of ambulance districts

09:45:42 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 336 DO PASS.**

09:45:50 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 336 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:46:09 Sen. Forrest Mandeville

09:45:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:47:00 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 336 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

09:47:21 Vice Chair Mary Ann Dunwell

09:47:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 358 - Require disclosure of taxpayer funds for lobbying by local governments/schools

- 09:48:09 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 358 DO PASS.**
- 09:48:25 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 358 BE AMENDED.**
- 09:48:25 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 09:49:32 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 358 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 09:49:32 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 382 - Create the Montana Land Use Planning Act

- 09:50:11 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 382 DO PASS.**
- 09:50:18 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 382 BE AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 09:50:30 Sen. Forrest Mandeville
- 09:50:18 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 09:52:16 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 382 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 09:52:31 Sen. Ellie Boldman
- 09:53:14 Sen. Christopher Pope
- 09:53:49 Sen. Forrest Mandeville
- 09:52:16 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 407 - Revise municipal zoning laws

- 09:54:59 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 407 DO PASS.**
- 09:55:05 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 407 BE AMENDED.**
- 09:55:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 09:55:37 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 407 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 09:55:59 Sen. Christopher Pope
- 09:56:52 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:55:37 **Vote:** Motion failed 5 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Boldman, Sen. Dunwell, Sen. Friedel, Sen. Mandeville, voting yes.
Sen. Dunwell, By Proxy

09:58:34 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 407 TO TABLE.**

09:58:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 474 - Generally revise laws pertaining to sports betting

10:00:13 **Motion:** Sen. Kenneth Bogner moved that **SB 474 DO PASS.**

10:00:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:05:43

Lorna Mason, Secretary

Additional Documents:[EXHIBIT\(230227LOSaad\)](#)