

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Cuffe-R, on March 10, 2023 at 3:04 PM, in 335

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Mike Cuffe, Chair (R)
Sen. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Mike Fox (D)
Sen. Theresa Manzella (R)
Sen. Mark Noland (R)
Sen. Shelley Vance (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Dan Bartel (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Denise Hayman (D)

Staff Present: Joe Carroll, Attorney
Daisy Rhodes, 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 109 03/02/2023

HB 143 03/02/2023

HB 199 03/02/2023

Executive Action:

HB 109

HB 143

HB 199

HEARING ON HB 109 - Code commissioner bill

Opening Statement:

15:05:36 Rep. Laurie Bishop (D), HD 60, opened the hearing on HB 109, Code commissioner bill.

Proponent Testimony:

15:07:43 Todd Everts, Chief Legal Council, Montana Legislature

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:11:40 Sen. Mark Noland

15:13:49 Todd Everts, Chief Legal Council

15:15:08 Sen. Theresa Manzella

Closing Statement:

15:15:32 Rep. Laurie Bishop (D), HD 60, closed the hearing on HB 109.

15:16:57 **Recessed**

15:24:21 **Reconvened**

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 109 - Code commissioner bill

15:26:20 **Motion:** Vice Chair Wendy McKamey moved that **HB 109 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:57:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:26:20 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Wendy McKamey

15:30:42 **Recessed**

16:00:46 **Reconvened**

HEARING ON HB 199 - Generally revise office of economic development

Opening Statement:

16:01:20 Rep. Tony Brockman (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 199, Generally revise office of economic development.

Proponent Testimony:

16:02:36 Christine Heggem, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

16:05:23 Sen. Theresa Manzella

16:05:55 Christine Heggem, Governor's Office

16:06:55 Sen. Mark Noland

Closing Statement:

16:07:33 Rep. Tony Brockman (R), HD 9, closed the hearing on HB 199.

HEARING ON HB 143 - Revise laws related to the tourism advisory council

Opening Statement:

16:08:38 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 143, Revise laws related to the tourism advisory council.

Proponent Testimony:

16:10:41 Anna Marie Moe, Department of Commerce (COMMERCE)

16:13:35 Stuart Doggett, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association (MTLHA)

16:14:36 Steve Wahrlich, self

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:29:18 edit
16:17:34 Sen. Janet Ellis
16:18:34 Anna Marie Moe, COMMERCE

Closing Statement:

16:19:20 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, closed the hearing on HB 143.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 143 - Revise laws related to the tourism advisory council

16:20:30 **Motion:** Vice Chair Wendy McKamey moved that **HB 143 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:20:56 Vice Chair Wendy McKamey
16:21:39 Chair Mike Cuffe
10:57:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
16:20:30 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Mark Noland

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 199 - Generally revise office of economic development

16:23:37 **Motion:** Vice Chair Wendy McKamey moved that **HB 199 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

16:24:04 Vice Chair Wendy McKamey
16:24:52 Chair Mike Cuffe
10:57:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
16:23:37 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Janet Ellis

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:26:47

Daisy Rhodes, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230310STSaad\)](#)