

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

Call to Order: Chair Greg Hertz-R, on April 17, 2023 at 8:38 AM, in 405

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Greg Hertz, Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel Zolnikov, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Becky Beard (R)
Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Sen. Wendy McKamey (R)
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)
Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R)
Sen. Denise Hayman (D)
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)

Staff Present: Jaret Coles, Research Analyst
Lorna Mason, Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted:

Executive Action:

HB 136 BE CONCURRED IN AS
AMENDED
HB 481 TO TABLE
HB 485 BE CONCURRED IN
HB 840 BE CONCURRED IN
HB 925 BE CONCURRED IN AS
AMENDED
HB 943 TO TABLE
HB 861 TO TABLE

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 136 - Adopt Montana Revised Unclaimed Property Act

- 08:39:48 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 136 BE AMENDED.**
- 08:40:06 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 136 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**
- 08:40:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 08:40:06 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Greg Hertz

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 481 - Increase rate of inflation limit for calculating property tax levies

- 08:51:57 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 481 BE CONCURRED IN.**
- 08:51:57 **Vote:** Motion tied 6 - 6 roll call vote
- 08:53:20 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 481 TO TABLE.**
- 08:53:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 10 - 2 by voice vote with Sen. Dunwell, Sen. O'Brien, voting no.
Sen. O'Brien, By Proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 485 - Revise tax rates for stripper oil production

- 08:53:56 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 485 BE CONCURRED IN.**
- Discussion:**
- 08:54:23 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell
- 08:55:22 Sen. Becky Beard
- 08:55:45 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel
- 08:53:56 **Vote:** Motion carried 8 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Dunwell, Sen. Hayman, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien, voting no.
Sen. Hayman, Sen. O'Brien, By Proxy
- 08:53:56 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Becky Beard

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 840 - Revise tobacco tax allocation for state veterans' nursing homes

- 08:56:55 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 840 BE CONCURRED IN.**
- 08:56:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 08:56:55 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Jeremy Trebas

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 925 - Revise laws related to tax increment pledged to payment of bonds

08:57:58 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 925 BE CONCURRED IN.**

08:58:17 **Motion:** Chair Greg Hertz moved that **HB 925 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

08:58:44 Jaret Coles

08:58:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

09:12:34 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 925 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

09:12:34 **Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 5 by roll call vote with Sen. Dunwell, Sen. Hayman, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien, Sen. Tempel, voting no. Sen. Hayman, Sen. O'Brien, By Proxy

09:12:34 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Greg Hertz

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 943 - Revise taxation of property used as a short-term rental

09:13:35 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 943 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:14:21 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. Becky Beard moved that **HB 943 TO TABLE.**

09:14:21 **Vote:** Substitute Motion carried 8 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Dunwell, Sen. Hayman, Sen. McClafferty, Sen. O'Brien, voting no. Sen. Hayman, Sen. O'Brien, By Proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 861 - Provide business property tax exemption during state of emergency or disaster

09:15:46 **Motion:** Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov moved that **HB 861 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:16:17 Sen. Becky Beard

09:16:51 Sen. Wendy McKamey

09:17:08 Vice Chair Daniel Zolnikov

09:17:42 Sen. Brad Molnar

09:19:17 Chair Greg Hertz

09:19:29 Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel

- 09:15:46 **Vote:** Motion failed 10 - 2 by roll call vote with Sen. Molnar, Sen. Zolnikov, voting yes.
- 09:20:24 **Motion:** Chair Greg Hertz moved that **HB 861 TO TABLE.**
- 09:20:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 11 - 1 by voice vote with Sen. Molnar, voting no.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 09:23:00

Lorna Mason, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230417TASaad\)](#)