

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Theresa Manzella-R, on April 18, 2023 at 3:51 PM, in 405

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Theresa Manzella, Chair (R)
Sen. Andrea Olsen, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Sen. Barry Usher (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Becky Beard (R)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)
Sen. Carl Glimm (R)
Sen. Kathy Kelker (D)
Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Sen. Shelley Vance (R)

Staff Present: Trudy Burke, Secretary
Joe Carroll, Attorney

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:

SJ 20 04/11/2023

SJ 22 04/11/2023

Executive Action:

HEARING ON SJ 20 - Interim study on eligibility criteria for memorial highways

Opening Statement:

15:52:34 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell (D), SD 42, opened the hearing on SJ 20, Interim study on eligibility criteria for memorial highways.

Discussion:

15:53:54 Sen. Becky Beard joined the meeting.

Proponent Testimony:

15:54:18 Sen. Barry Usher, Senate District 20

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:55:05 Sen. Jen Gross

15:55:39 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell

15:56:00 Sen. Barry Usher

15:56:17 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell-D

15:56:47 Chair Theresa Manzella

15:57:42 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell

15:58:23 Chair Theresa Manzella

Closing Statement:

15:58:40 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell (D), SD 42, closed the hearing on SJ 20.

HEARING ON SJ 22 - Joint resolution to study public transportation

Opening Statement:

15:59:14 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen (D), SD 100, opened the hearing on SJ 22, Joint resolution to study public transportation.

Proponent Testimony:

16:07:54 Sen. Jen Gross, Senate District 25

16:08:29 Sen. Becky Beard left the meeting.

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

16:09:17 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell

16:09:35 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen

16:09:48 Chair Theresa Manzella

16:09:57 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen

16:10:31 Chair Theresa Manzella

16:10:34 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen

16:12:39 Chair Theresa Manzella

16:13:48 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen

16:18:48 Chair Theresa Manzella

16:19:09 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen

Closing Statement:

16:20:34 Vice Chair Andrea Olsen (D), SD 100, closed the hearing on SJ 22.

16:21:12 Sen. Usher has left

16:21:29 **Committee Discussion:** Discussion of House Bill 904 Coordination Amendment

16:22:08 Joe Carroll

16:24:58 Chair Theresa Manzella

16:25:12 Sen. Jen Gross

16:25:20 Joe Carroll

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:26:37

Trudy Burke, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230418HISaad\)](#)