

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

**Call to Order:** Chair Daniel Zolnikov-R, on April 25, 2023 at 9:06 AM, in 405

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Sen. Daniel Zolnikov, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Becky Beard (R)  
Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)  
Sen. Wendy McKamey (R)  
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)  
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)  
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, majority was present at roll call for quorum

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R)  
Sen. Denise Hayman (D)  
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)  
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Sen. Shannon O'Brien (D)  
Sen. Jeremy Trebas (R)

**Staff Present:** Jaret Coles, Research Analyst  
Jacelyn Sterling, 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:

SJ 28 04/21/2023

Executive Action:

HB 906 TO TABLE

SJ 28 TO TABLE

**HEARING ON SJ 28 - Interim study on the U.S. constitutional amendment providing for an income tax**

**Opening Statement:**

09:07:39 Sen. Daniel Emrich (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SJ 28, Interim study on the U.S. constitutional amendment providing for an income tax.

**Proponent Testimony:**

None

**Opponent Testimony:**

09:10:56 Bob Story, Montana TaxPayers Association

**Informational Witness Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee:**

09:15:27 Sen. Wendy McKamey

09:16:03 Sen. Daniel Emrich-R

09:16:57 Sen. Wendy McKamey

09:17:11 Sen. Daniel Emrich-R

**Closing Statement:**

09:17:25 Sen. Daniel Emrich (R), SD 11, closed the hearing on SJ 28.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 906 - Revise laws related to agricultural property taxation**

09:21:06 **Motion:** Sen. Wendy McKamey moved that **HB 906 BE CONCURRED IN.**

09:21:34 **Motion:** Sen. Becky Beard moved that **HB 906 TO TABLE.**

09:21:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 28 - Interim study on the U.S. constitutional amendment providing for an income tax**

09:22:17 **Motion:** Sen. Becky Beard moved that **SJ 28 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

09:22:33 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell  
09:22:41 **Motion:** Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell moved that **SJ 28 TO TABLE.**  
09:22:41 **Vote:** Motion tied 6 - 6 roll call vote  
09:23:48 **Motion:** Sen. Becky Beard moved that **SJ 28 DO PASS.**  
**Discussion:**  
09:23:57 Sen. Becky Beard  
09:24:32 Sen. Wendy McKamey  
09:25:09 Sen. Mary Ann Dunwell  
09:26:01 Sen. Brad Molnar  
09:23:48 **Vote:** Motion tied 6 - 6 roll call vote  
09:27:52 **Motion:** Sen. Wendy McKamey moved that **SJ 28 TO TABLE.**  
09:27:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 11 - 1 by voice vote with Sen. Molnar, voting no.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 09:28:46

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Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

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