

**MINUTES**  
**MONTANA SENATE**  
**68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**  
**COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SB 424**

**Call to Order:** Chair Forrest Mandeville-R, on April 26, 2023 at 11:00 AM, in 335

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Sen. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)  
Rep. Denise Baum (D)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Sen. Mike Fox (D)  
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)  
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)

**Staff Present:** Joe Carroll, 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:

Executive Action:

SB 424 ACCEPTED AS  
AMENDED

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 424 - Generally revise laws related to executive branch  
personal staff**

11:01:59 **Motion:** Rep. Kenneth Walsh moved that **SB 424 ACCEPTED AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

11:02:03 Discussion of SB 424

11:02:55 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:02:59 **Motion:** Rep. Kenneth Walsh moved that **SB 424 BE AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

11:03:15 Rep. Denise Baum

11:03:55 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:04:12 Rep. Denise Baum

11:05:20 Joe Carroll

11:05:34 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:07:23 Rep. Denise Baum

11:07:26 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:07:37 Rep. Bob Phalen

11:07:51 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:08:03 Joe Carroll

11:08:46 Chair Forrest Mandeville

11:09:14 Joe Carroll

11:09:17 Rep. Denise Baum

11:09:21 Sen. Mike Cuffe

11:10:26 Joe Carroll

11:10:27 Sen. Mike Cuffe

11:10:39 Joe Carroll

11:12:02 Chair Forrest Mandeville  
11:12:14 Rep. Kenneth Walsh  
11:13:05 Chair Forrest Mandeville  
11:13:16 Rep. Kenneth Walsh  
11:13:33 Sen. Mike Fox  
11:13:54 Chair Forrest Mandeville  
11:15:07 Sen. Mike Cuffe  
11:15:29 Rep. Denise Baum  
11:16:19 Chair Forrest Mandeville  
11:17:19 Rep. Kenneth Walsh  
11:18:36 Rep. Denise Baum  
11:19:45 Sen. Mike Cuffe  
11:02:59 **Vote:** Motion carried 4 - 2 by roll call vote with Rep. Baum, Sen. Fox, voting no.  
11:21:03 **Motion:** Rep. Kenneth Walsh moved that **SB 424 ACCEPTED AS AMENDED.**  
11:21:03 **Vote:** Motion carried 4 - 2 by roll call vote with Rep. Baum, Sen. Fox, voting no.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:21:57

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Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

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