



LEGISLATIVE RULES SUBCOMMITTEE

69th Montana Legislature

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MINUTES LOG

October 29, 2024
Capitol Room 137 & Zoom
Helena, Montana

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Chair (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

MEMBERS EXCUSED:**MEMBERS ABSENT:****STAFF PRESENT:**

Allison Dunbar, Secretary
Todd Everts, Attorney

AGENDA ([Attachment 1](#))**VISITORS' LIST** ([Attachment 2](#))

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

08:00:41 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. The committee secretary took roll.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

08:01:06 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:01:48 Todd Evert, Legal Services Director & Code Commissioner, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

[EXHIBIT 1](#)

[EXHIBIT 2](#)

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:04:41 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:05:00 Todd Everts, LSD

Motion

08:05:13 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to recommend the changes to Legislative Staff Generated Rules Proposals for the 2025 Session.

Vote

08:05:28 Carried unanimously by voice vote

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:05:52 Todd Everts

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:06:31 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:06:49 Rep. Kim Abbott

08:07:26 Sen. Susan Webber

08:08:30 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:11:12 Todd Everts

08:12:03 Carolyn Tschida, Clerk of the House

08:12:23 Sen. Susan Webber

08:13:50 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:14:37 Rep. Kim Abbott

Motion

08:15:17 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to adopt proposal number 1.

Vote

08:15:20 Vote failed 2-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Kim Abbott voting 'no', Sen. Susan Webber voting 'no' and Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick and Rep. Sue Vinton voting 'yes'.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:16:15 Todd Everts

Motion

08:16:33 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to adopt proposal number 2.

Vote

08:16:37 Vote Carried by roll call vote 3-1 with Sen. Susan Webber voting 'no'.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:17:41 Todd Everts

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:17:59 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:18:12 Todd Everts

08:20:03 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:20:59 Sen. Susan Webber

Motion

08:26:15 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to adopt proposal number 3.

Vote

08:26:26 Carried unanimously by roll call vote.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:26:54 Todd Everts

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:29:07 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:29:25 Rep. Kim Abbott

Motion

08:30:37 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to adopt proposal number 4.

Vote

08:30:40 Vote Carried by roll call vote with Rep. Kim Abbott voting 'no'.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:31:11 Todd Everts

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:31:40 Sen. Susan Webber

08:32:21 Rep. Sue Vinton

Motion

08:31:00 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to adopt proposal number 5.

Vote

08:05:28 Vote failed 2-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Kim Abbott, Sen. Susan Webber voting 'no' and Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick and Rep. Sue Vinton voting 'yes'.

REVIEW POTENTIAL RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL- Continued

08:33:43 Todd Everts

Committee Questions/Discussion

08:34:14 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick

08:35:07 Sen. Susan Webber

08:35:37 Carolyn Tschida, Chief clerk of the house

08:37:27 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:39:57 Sen. Susan Webber

Motion

08:41:27 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick made a motion to amend and strike all sub b parts for rule changes.

Vote

08:41:09 Carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Discussion

08:42:12 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:43:00 Sen. Susan Webber

08:44:01 Rep. Sue Vinton

08:45:06 Rep. Kim Abbott

08:45:59 Presiding Officer Steve Fitzpatrick Withdrew his motion for all sub part changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER NOT CONTAINED ON THIS AGENDA AND THAT IS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE RULES SUBCOMMITTEE

08:46:39 Joshua Butterfly, Prayer Warriors

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 08:52:01

