

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN CHASE HIBBARD**, on April 8, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 437 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Chase Hibbard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Kim Gillan, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bob Story, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Gary Beck (D)
Rep. Rick Dale (R)
Rep. Bob Davies (R)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim (D)
Rep. Marian Hanson (R)
Rep. Hal Harper (D)
Rep. Dan Harrington (D)
Rep. John L. Holden (R)
Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)
Rep. Scott J. Orr (R)
Rep. Bob Raney (D)
Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)
Rep. Sam Rose (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Rep. Roger Somerville (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Donna Grace, Committee Secretary
Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: SB 184, SB 424, SB 530, SB 370,
3/31/1999
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON SB 184

Sponsor:

Senator Grosfield presented SB 184.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 38 - 369}

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Proponents:

Alvin Ellis, Senator Dist. #12

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 369 - 550}

Emily Swanson, House District-Bozeman

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 60}

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Kenneth Mackey, Montana Farmers Union

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 60 - 69}

Dennis Burr, Montana Taxpayers Association

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 69 - 80}

Steve Smezek, Montana Association of Realtors

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 80 - 89}

Opponents:

Gordon Morris, Montana Association of Counties

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 89 - 337}

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Mike Kedes, Missoula Mayor

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 337 - 472}

Alex Hanson, League of Cities

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 472 - 550}

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 8}

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8 - 550}

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 74}

Closing by Sponsor:

Senator Grosfield made closing statements.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 74 - 221}

HEARING ON SB 424

Sponsor:

Senator Coccharella presented SB 424.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 221 - 293}

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Proponents:

Bill Olson, AARP

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 293 - 337}

Jerry Driscoll, self

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 337 - 379}

Opponents:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 379 - 468}

Closing by Sponsor:

Senator Coccariella made closing statements.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 468 - 490}

HEARING ON SB 530

Sponsor:

Senator Bishop presented SB 530.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 26}

Proponents:

Walter Webb, Montana Petroleum Association

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26 - 100}

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Jeff White, Continental Resources

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 100 - 216}

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Perry Pearce, Burlington Resources

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 216 - 288}

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Robert Fisher, Ballard Petroleum

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 288 - 355}

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Tom Hauptman, Independent Gas Producer

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 355 - 488}

Terry Holzwarth, Nance Petroleum

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 488 - 550}

Leo Heath, Montana Power Company

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 22}

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John Alkey, MDU

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22 - 35}

Mary Bryson, Dept. of Revenue

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 35 - 47}

Chip Youlden, JNO Oil and Gas

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 47 - 100}

Pat Montalban, NMOGA

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 100 - 198}

John Hauptman, self

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 198 - 216}

Gail Abercrombie, Montana Petroleum Association

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 216 - 387}

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Opponents:

Bob Gilbert, Rosebud County

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 387 - 550}

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 44}

Tom Daubert, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Association

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 44 - 134}

William Duffield, Ravalli County

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 134 - 159}

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 159 - 550}

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 29}

Closing by Sponsor:

Senator Bishop made closing statements.

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 29 - 58}

HEARING ON SB 370

Sponsor:

Senator Stang presented SB 370.

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 58 - 117}

Proponents:

Joan Bennett, City of Great Falls

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 117 - 138}

Mike Kedes, City of Missoula, Mayor

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 138 - 170}

Alex Hanson, League of Cities

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 170 - 277}

Gordon Morris, Association of Counties

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 277 - 314}

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Randy Grey, Great Falls Commissioner

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 314 - 360}

Clark Johnson, City of Bozeman, Manager

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 360 - 390}

Jane McCall, City of Billings

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 390 - 409}

Ken Morrison, City of Helena, Commissioner

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 409 - 414}

Charles Brooks, Montana Chamber of Commerce

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 414 - 433}

Janet Kelly, Custer County Commissioner

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 433 - 445}

Opponents:

Dennis Burr, Montana Taxpayers Association

{Tape : 4; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 445 - 550}

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 7}

Patrick Melby, Montana Ski Area Association

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7 - 42}

Riley Johnson, "Enterprise Rent A Car"

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 42 - 125}

Web Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 125 - 140}

George Ochensky, Great Divide Ski Area

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 140 - 194}

Darrell Hasedy, AFL-CIO

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 194 - 223}

Informational Testimony:

Mona Jameson, Big Sky Area District

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 223 - 246}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 246 - 324}

Closing by Sponsor:

Senator Stang made closing statements.

{Tape : 5; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 324 - 403}

Meeting Adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:59 A.M.

REP. CHASE HIBBARD, Chairman

DONNA GRACE, Secretary
PAM SCHINDLER,
SECRETARY FOR DONNA
GRACE

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