

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM KEANE**, on January 18, 2005 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jim Keane, Chairman (D)
Rep. Joe McKenney, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Bob Bergren (D)
Rep. Tim Dowell (D)
Rep. Kevin T. Furey (D)
Rep. Dave Gallik (D)
Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)
Rep. Mike Milburn (R)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Dan Villa (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro, Vice Chairman (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Bart Campbell, Legislative Branch
Kyanne Kelly, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 188, 1/11/2005; HB 179,
1/11/2005; HB 160, 1/11/2005; HB
159, 1/11/2005

Executive Action: HB 202, HB 159, HB 161

HEARING ON HB 188

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. BOB BERGREN (D), HD 33, opened
the hearing on HB 188, Generally revise insurance laws.

00:02:46

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:44 Alisha Pichette, State Auditor's Office

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00:10:35 Karen Powell, State Auditor's Office

00:11:41 Larry Kibbee, Property Casualty Insurance

00:12:45 Candace Payne, Montana Rental Car Association

00:13:12 Riley Johnson, Enterprise Rent-A-Car

00:13:29 Roger McGlenn, Independant Insurance Agents

00:13:48 Mona Jamison, Montana Life and Health Insurance

00:14:26 Frank Cote, American Health Insurance Providers

00:14:47 Greg Van Horrsen, State Farm

00:14:54 Keith Colbo, New West Insurance

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:34

HEARING ON HB 179

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. BOB LAKE (R), HD 88, opened
the hearing on HB 179, Revise 1-stop licensing program & clarify
initial requirement for business name.

00:16:19

Proponents' Testimony:

00:18:34 Mark Simonich, Secretary of State

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:30

Closing by Sponsor:

00:33:34

HEARING ON HB 160

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. HAL JACOBSON (D), HD 82,
opened the hearing on **HB 160**, Revise building code
administration, enforcement provisions.

00:35:11

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:14 Jim Brown, Department of Labor and Industry

00:46:33 Jack Campbell, Jack's Technical Assistance

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:47:49

Closing by Sponsor:

00:54:25

HEARING ON HB 159

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. JOE MCKENNEY (R), HD 18,
opened the hearing on **HB 159**, Revise unemployment insurance laws.

00:57:37

Proponents' Testimony:

00:59:33 Keith Kelly, Department of Labor and Industry

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:06:46

Closing by Sponsor:

01:14:09

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 202

Motion: REP. MCKENNEY moved that HB 202 DO PASS.

Discussion:

01:32:09

Substitute Motion/Vote: REP. VILLA made a substitute motion that HB 202 BE TABLED. Substitute motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 159

Motion/Vote: REP. MCKENNEY moved that HB 159 DO PASS. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 89

Motion: REP. KLOCK moved that HB 89 DO PASS.

Discussion:

01:36:59

Motion: REP. KLOCK moved that HB 89 BE withdrawn without objection.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 161

Motion: REP. MENDENHALL moved that HB 161 DO PASS.

Discussion:

01:40:28

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Substitute Motion: REP. MENDENHALL made a substitute motion that HB 161 BE AMENDED.

Discussion:

01:41:18

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Motion/Vote: REP. MENDENHALL moved that HB 161 DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:45 A.M.

REP. JIM KEANE, Chairman

KYANNE KELLY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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