

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN KARL WAITSCHIES**, on April 15, 2005 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Karl Waitschies, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Gary Branae, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Bob Lake, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. John Balyeat (R)  
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)  
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)  
Rep. Margaret H. Campbell (D)  
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Rep. Tom Facey (D)  
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)  
Rep. Dennis Himmelberger (R)  
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)  
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)  
Rep. Jim Peterson (R)  
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)  
Rep. Scott Sales (R)  
Rep. Bill Warden (R)  
Rep. Brady Wiseman (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** Rep. George G. Groesbeck (D)  
Rep. Holly Raser (D)

**Staff Present:** Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch  
Debra Polhemus, Committee 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: SB 524, 4/12/2005

Executive Action: SB 524; SB 75

**HEARING ON SB 524**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:00 REP. JILL COHENOUR (D), HD 78, opened the hearing on SB 524 on behalf of SEN. MIKE COONEY (D), SD 40, Revise date of valuation of certain classes of property.

[EXHIBIT](#)(tah81a01)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:01:23 Randy Wilke, Montana Department of Revenue

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

**Informational Testimony:** None.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:10:30 REP. BUTCHER  
00:17:15 REP. LAMBERT  
00:18:21 REP. ROSS  
00:20:16 REP. BALYEAT  
00:21:36 REP. WISEMAN  
00:26:02 REP. McALPIN  
00:26:51 CHAIRMAN WAITSCHIES

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:28:28 REP. JILL COHENOUR, closed the hearing on SB 524 on behalf of SEN. MIKE COONEY.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 524**

00:31:21 **Motion/Vote:** REP. LAMBERT moved that SB 524 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote with REPS. GROESBECK, LAKE, BIXBY and RASER voting by proxy. REP. COHENOUR will carry SB 524.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 75

00:34:25       **Motion:**   REP. LAMBERT moved to RECONSIDER THE  
                  **MOTION** on SB 75.

Discussion:

00:34:35       REP. WISEMAN

00:35:15       REP. LAMBERT

00:35:24       REP. SALES

00:35:37       REP. McALPIN

00:36:10       REP. LAMBERT withdraws the Motion to RECONSIDER  
                  THE MOTION ON SB 75.

00:36:20       **Motion:**   REP. LAMBERT moved that SB 75 BE  
                  CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

00:36:29       REP. BUTCHER

00:37:31       REP. WISEMAN

00:39:09       REP. BALYEAT

00:40:23       REP. COHENOUR

00:42:21       REP. PETERSON

00:42:30       Dolores Cooney, Montana Department of Revenue

00:43:46       **CHAIRMAN WAITSCHIES**

00:44:48       **Vote:**   Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with  
                  REPS. BALYEAT, BUTCHER, HIMMELBERGER, LAKE, ROSS,  
                  SALES, WAITSCHIES, and WARDEN voting no and REPS.  
                  LAKE, BIXBY, GROESBECK and RASER voting by proxy.  
                  REP. LAMBERT will carry SB 75.

00:45:53

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:00 A.M.

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REP. KARL WAITSCHIES, Chairman

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DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([tah81aad0.PDF](#))**