

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on January 31, 2005
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Gerald Pease (D)

Members Absent:

Sen. Jon Tester (D)

Staff Present: Annie Glover, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

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 314, 1/20/2005
Executive Action: None.

00:00:00

HEARING ON SB 314

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. LANE LARSON (D), SD 22, opened the hearing on **SB 314**, Revise law governing irrigation district commissioner.

EXHIBIT(ags24a01)

00:02:36

Proponents' Testimony:

Mr. Don Bottrell, Hysham Irrigation District
Mr. Brent Icopini, Member, Icopini Farms Inc.
Mr. Jim Bennett, Landowner
Mr. Bart Icopini, Hysham Irrigation District

00:07:56

Opponents' Testimony:

Mr. Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association

Informational Testimony: None.

00:11:48

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:40

Closing by Sponsor:

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.

SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

ANNIE GLOVER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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