

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON RULES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JON ELLINGSON**, on February 8, 2005 at 7:30 A.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jon Ellingson, Chairman (D)
Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)
Sen. Jim Elliott (D)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Duane Grimes (R)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)
Sen. Jon Tester (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Greg Petesch, Legislative Branch

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

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: None.
Executive Action: None.

SEN. COCCARELLIA assumed the Chair.

EXHIBIT(rus31a01)

The Committee discussed that the rules should be changed so that the bills process will proceed normally except in the instance where a majority vote of the entire Senate will rerefer the bill to a second committee.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ELLINGSON moved that Rules of the Senate be changed at S50-170 to read as follows: "(1) All Unless rereferred to a committee by a majority vote, all legislation" DO PASS.
Motion carried 13-1 by voice vote with SEN. STAPLETON voting no.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 7:55 A.M.

SEN. JON ELLINGSON, Chairman

KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([rus31aad0.PDF](#))