

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM ELLIOTT**, on March 17, 2005 at
9:30 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Elliott, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Lee Heiman, 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: None.
Executive Action: HB 17; HB 607; SB 219; SB 272;
SB 504; SB 508; SB 509

00:01:09

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 17

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that HB 17 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. TOOLE will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 607

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that HB 607 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. SEN. GEBHARDT will carry the bill.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 219

Motion/Vote: SEN. STORY moved that SB 219 DO PASS. Motion carried 5-3 by voice vote with SEN. ELLIOTT, SEN. ESSMANN, and SEN. TOOLE voting no.

00:07:14

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 272

Motion: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 272 DO PASS.

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 272 BE AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT](#)(tas59a01)

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 272 BE AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT](#)(tas59a02)

Motion: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 272 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

00:19:14_____Mary Whittinghill, Montana Taxpayers Association

Vote: Motion that SB 272 DO PASS AS AMENDED carried 6-5 by roll call vote with SEN. BLACK, SEN. ELLIOTT, SEN. ESSMANN, SEN. GEBHARDT, and SEN. STORY voting no. SEN. ELLINGSON, SEN. HARRINGTON, and SEN. SCHMIDT voted aye by proxy.

00:29:03

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 504

Motion: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 504 DO PASS.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ESSMANN moved that SB 504 BE AMENDED to strike the original amendments. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ESSMANN moved that SB 504 BE AMENDED. Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with SEN. ELLIOTT and SEN. GEBHARDT voting no.

Motion/Vote: SEN. ESSMANN moved that SB 504 DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried 7-1 by voice vote with SEN. ELLIOTT voting no.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 508

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 508 BE TABLED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 509

Motion/Vote: SEN. TOOLE moved that SB 509 DO PASS. Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with SEN. BLACK, SEN. ESSMANN, SEN. GEBHARDT, and SEN. STORY voting no. SEN. ELLINGSON, SEN. HARRINGTON, and SEN. SCHMIDT voted aye by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:26 A.M.

SEN. JIM ELLIOTT, Chairman

KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([tas59aad0.PDF](#))