

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN DENNIS HIMMELBERGER**, on January 8, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Dennis Himmelberger, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Duane Ankney, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Hal Jacobson, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Gary Branae (D)  
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)  
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)  
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)  
Rep. Teresa K. Henry (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. William J. Jones (R)  
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)  
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)  
Rep. Alan Olson (R)  
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)  
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman (D)  
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Debby Barrett, Rep. Scott Sales

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Dee Barfknecht, Committee Secretary  
Sheri Heffelfinger, 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: HB 46, 1/4/2007, HB 48, 1/4/2007

HEARING ON HB 46

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:20 Rep. Dave Gallik (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 46, Revise adoption of federal regulations governing National Guard.

Proponents:

00:00:38 Brigadier Gen. Stan Putnam  
[EXHIBIT\(sth04a01\)](#)

Opponents: None

Informational Testimony:

00:01:10 Lt. Col. James P. Moran, Attorney for the Montana National Guard.  
[EXHIBIT\(sth04a02\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:03:04 Rep. Gallik

HEARING ON HB 48

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:33 Rep. Hal Jacobson (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HB 48, Extend and revise National Guard tuition waiver.

Proponents:

00:06:24 Brigadier Gen. Stan Putnam  
[EXHIBIT\(sth04a03\)](#)

Opponents: None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:08:21\_\_Lt. Col. James P. Moran, Attorney for the Montana  
National Guard.

**EXHIBIT(sth04a04)**

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:11:37 Rep. Dickenson  
00:12:39 Lt. Col Scott Smith  
00:13:58 Rep. Dickenson  
00:14:14 Lt. Col. Scott Smith  
00:14:32 Rep. Dickenson  
00:14:56 Lt. Col. James P. Moran  
00:15:15 Rep. Dickenson  
00:15:36 Lt. Col. James P. Moran  
00:15:52 Rep. Malcom  
00:16:19 Lt. Col James P. Moran

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:16:45 Rep. Jacobson

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 46**

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00:19:16 Chairman Himmelberger  
00:19:24 Rep. Jones  
00:19:36 Rep. McNutt

00:20:09 **Motion:** Rep. Olson moved that **HB 46 DO PASS.**  
00:20:52 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
Reps. Barrett and Sales voted by proxy.

00:21:33 Rep. Dickenson  
00:21:47 Chairman Himmelberger

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 48

00:21:58 **Motion:** Rep. Jacobson moved that **HB 48 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

00:22:14 Rep Jacobson  
00:22:26 Rep. Wilmer  
00:23:41 Rep. Phillips  
00:23:47 Rep. Jacobson  
00:24:00 Rep. Phillips  
00:24:20 Rep Jacobson  
00:24:47 Rep. Dickenson

00:26:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
Reps. Barrett and Sales voted by proxy.  
00:27:01 Rep Olson

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**Adjournment**

00:27:31 Chairman Himmelberger

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REP. DENNIS HIMMELBERGER, Chairman

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DEE BARFKNECHT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT([sth04aad.pdf](#))**