

MINUTES

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

**JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND
COMMERCE**

Call to Order: By Chairman Rick Ripley, on January 10, 2007 at
8:05 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rick Ripley, Rep. (R)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Vice Rep. (D)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Sen. Bill Tash (R)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Pam Joehler, Legislative Branch
Christie Messer, Committee Secretary
Eileen Rose, Office of Budget and Program
Planning

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: Department of Commerce
(DOC) Decision Packages
Executive Action: DOC DPs

Department of Commerce

00:00:01 Hearing called to order by Chairman Ripley
00:00:02 Sen. Trudi Schmidt
00:00:37 Andy Poole, Administrator, Department of Commerce (DOC)
Business Development Division

EXHIBIT (jnh06a01)

00:01:56 Betsy Baumgart, DOC, Montana Promotion Division

EXHIBIT (jnh06a02)

00:03:45 Michelle Barstead, Executive Director of Montana
Finance Authority

EXHIBIT (jnh06a03)

00:08:31 Pam Joehler
00:09:57 Rep. Ripley
00:10:39 Bruce Brensdal, Administrator of Montana Housing
Division, DOC

EXHIBIT (jnh06a04)

00:11:45 Rep. Musgrove
00:11:56 Mr. Brensdal
00:30:54 Rep. Witte
00:31:11 Mr. Brensdal
00:33:06 Rep. Ripley
00:33:13 Rep. Witte
00:33:42 Mr. Brensdal
00:34:35 Rep. Witte
00:35:06 Mr. Brensdal
00:35:45 Sen. Hansen
00:36:15 Mr. Brensdal
00:36:23 Sen. Hansen
00:36:29 Mr. Brensdal
00:38:11 Rep. Ripley
00:38:30 Mr. Brensdal
00:40:16 Rep. Ripley
00:40:31 Ms. Joehler
00:40:44 Mr. Brensdal
00:41:33 Rep. Ripley
00:41:38 Ms. Joehler
00:42:24 Rep. Ripley
00:42:32 Carroll South, Montana Board of Investment

EXHIBIT (jnh06a05)

00:59:36 Rep. Ripley
00:59:43 Rep. Witte
00:59:59 Mr. South
01:00:05 Rep. Witte
01:00:16 Mr. South
01:00:21 Sen. Hansen
01:00:48 Mr. South

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01:02:40 Mr. South
01:06:33 Sen. Tropila
01:06:45 Mr. South
01:06:59 Sen. Tropila
01:07:07 Mr. South
01:07:44 Rep. Ripley
01:08:04 Mr. South
01:10:13 Rep. Ripley
01:10:29 Barb Charlton, Administrator for Management Services
Division of DOC
01:22:03 Rep. Ripley
01:22:09 Rep. Musgrove
01:22:40 Ms. Charlton
01:23:30 Rep. Musgrove
01:23:46 Rep. Ripley
01:24:17 Ms. Charlton
01:24:23 Rep. Ripley
01:24:47 Ms. Charlton
01:24:53 Rep. Ripley
01:25:08 Paul Reichert, Executive Director, the Montana
Heritage Commission

EXHIBIT (jnh06a06)

01:31:14 Rep. Ripley
01:31:28 Ms. Joehler
01:32:32 Rep. Witte
01:33:06 Mr. Reichert
01:33:33 Rep. Witte
01:34:06 Mr. Reichert
01:35:20 Sen. Tropila
01:35:33 Sen. Tropila
01:36:10 Sen. Hansen
01:36:25 Tony Priete, Director, DOC
01:42:22 Sen. Hansen
01:42:36 Rep. Musgrove
01:42:51 Mr. Priete
01:46:11 Rep. Musgrove
01:46:24 Mr. Priete

01:46:34 Break
02:01:17 Reconvene

02:01:30 Mr. Poole
02:10:46 Rep. Ripley
02:11:06 Ms. Joehler

EXHIBIT (jnh06a07)

02:13:56 Rep. Ripley

Executive Action - Montana Department of Commerce

02:21:08 **Motion:** Sen. Hansen moved that all agency budgets reviewed by subcommittee start with the 2006 base budget plus the state wide present law adjustments with the exception of the personal services.

02:22:14 Rep. Ripley

02:22:20 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 6-0 by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DP 5101- BRD New Worker Training

02:23:23 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5101 **BE ADOPTED**, one time only.

Discussion:

02:23:14 Rep. Ripley

02:23:54 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 5-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Ripley voting no.

02:24:27 Rep. Ripley

DP 5103- BRD Main Street

02:24:36 **Motion:** Sen. Hansen moved that DP 5103 **BE ADOPTED**, one time only.

Discussion:

02:24:53 Rep. Ripley

02:26:09 **Vote:** **Motion failed** 3-3 by roll call vote, with Sen Hansen, Rep. Musgrove and Sen M. Tropila voting aye.

02:26:39 Rep. Ripley

DP 5104- BRD Made in Montana

02:26:58 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5104 **BE ADOPTED**,
one time only.

Discussion:

02:27:18 Rep. Ripley
02:27:29 Rep. Witte
02:28:00 Ms. Joehler
02:29:11 Rep. Ripley
02:29:15 Rep. Witte
02:29:28 Rep. Ripley

02:29:38 **Vote:** **Motion failed** 3-3 by roll call vote, with Sen.
Hansen, Rep. Musgrove and Sen. M. Tropila voting aye.

02:30:05 Rep. Ripley

DP 5105 - BRD Tribal Economic Development

02:30:09 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5105 **BE ADOPTED**,
one time only.

02:30:20 Rep. Ripley

Discussion:

02:30:24 Sen. Hansen
02:30:49 Sen. Tash
02:31:16 Mr. Poole
02:32:32 Rep. Witte
02:33:37 Rep. Musgrove
02:34:11 Rep. Ripley
02:35:02 Ms. Joehler
02:35:19 Rep. Musgrove
02:35:33 Rep. Witte
02:36:36 Sen. Hansen
02:36:55 Mr. Preite

02:39:12 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with Rep.
Ripley and Rep. Witte voting no.

02:39:39 Rep. Ripley

DP 5106- BRD Capital Investment Board

02:40:02 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Tropila moved that DP 5106 **BE ADOPTED**, one time only. **Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with Rep. Witte and Rep. Ripley voting no.

02:40:20 Rep. Ripley

DP 5108-BRD Federal Grants Adjustment

02:40:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5108 **BE ADOPTED**, one time only. **Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with Rep. Witte and Sen. Tash voting no.

02:40:50 Rep. Ripley

DP 5109-BRD Administrative Costs Adjustments

02:41:58 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hansen moved that DP 5109 (admin. cost adjustments) **BE ADOPTED**. **Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with Rep. Witte and Sen. Tash voting no.

02:42:48 Rep. Ripley

DP 5111- Tribal Economic Development Commission

02:42:57 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5111 **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

02:43:19 Rep. Ripley
02:43:30 Mr. Poole
02:43:56 Rep. Ripley
02:43:13 Ms. Joehler
02:44:33 Mr. Poole
02:44:41 Ms. Joehler
02:45:00 Rep. Musgrove
02:45:15 Rep. Ripley
02:45:30 Mr. Poole
02:45:52 Rep. Ripley
02:46:23 Mr. Poole
02:46:37 Rep. Ripley
02:46:56 Mr. Poole

02:46:54 Rep. Ripley
02:46:59 Eileen Rose

02:47:24 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

02:47:48 Rep. Ripley

DP 5112- BRD - Biomedical Research Grant, BIEN, OTO

02:47:55 **Motion:** Sen. Hansen moved that DP 5112 **BE ADOPTED**,
one time only and biennial.

Discussion:

02:48:06 Rep. Ripley
02:48:12 Sen. Tropila
02:50:17 Sen. Tash
02:50:54 Ms. Joehler

02:51:19 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

02:51:37 Rep. Ripley

DP 5201 - MPD Private Funds and Audit Adjustments

02:52:10 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 5201 **BE ADOPTED**
with amendment to make funds restricted.

Discussion:

02:52:40 Rep. Ripley
02:52:49 Rep. Witte
02:53:15 Rep. Musgrove
02:53:29 Rep. Witte
02:53:59 Rep. Ripley
02:54:05 Sen. Tropila

02:54:26 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

Discussion:

02:54:47 Rep. Ripley
02:55:17 Rep. Witte
02:55:50 Ms. Joehler
02:56:44 Mr. Poole
02:57:36 Rep. Ripley

02:57:47 Mr. Poole
02:58:05 Sen. Tropila
02:58:17 Mr. Poole
02:59:16 Ms. Joehler
03:00:10 Sen. Tropila
03:00:18 Ms. Joehler
03:00:48 Sen. Tropila
03:00:49 Rep. Ripley

DP 6002-CDD CDBG Federal Grants Adjustment

03:01:06 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hansen moved that DP 6002 **BE ADOPTED**, restricted, one time only, in 2008. **Motion carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

03:01:44__Rep. Ripley

DP 6004- CDD Administrative Costs Adjustments

03:01:54 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 6004 **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

03:02:02 Rep. Ripley

03:03:03 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 5-1 by roll call vote, with Rep. Ripley voting no.

03:03:21 Rep. Ripley

DP 6001- CDD Community Technical Assistance Program

03:04:01 **Motion:** Sen. Tropila moved that DP 6001 **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

03:04:07 Rep. Ripley
03:04:16 Sen. Tropila
03:05:06 Rep. Musgrove
03:05:51 Rep. Ripley
03:06:16 Rep. Witte
03:07:25 Rep. Musgrove
03:08:05 Sen. Tash
03:09:36 Sen. Tropila

03:11:24 Rep. Ripley
03:11:39 Mr. Cole
03:13:56 Rep. Ripley

03:14:02 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with
Rep. Ripley and Rep. Witte voting no.

03:14:29 Rep. Ripley
03:15:19 Mr. Hoffman
03:15:44 Ms. Joehler
03:15:58 Sen. Hansen
03:16:07 Mr. Hoffman
03:16:37 Rep. Ripley

DP 7401- HD Federal Grants Adjustment

03:16:50 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 7401 **BE ADOPTED**
one time only and restricted.

Discussion:

03:17:00 Rep. Ripley
03:17:21 Sen. Tash
03:17:28 Ms. Joehler
03:18:00 Rep. Musgrove
03:18:09 Rep. Ripley

03:18:18 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by voice vote.

03:18:29 Rep. Ripley
03:18:44 Rep. Witte
03:19:11 Rep. Ripley

DP 7409-HD Administrative Costs Adjustments

03:19:15 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hansen moved that DP 7409 **BE**
ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

03:19:43 Rep. Ripley

DP 7411- HD Manufactured Home Renovation Program, OTO

03:20:01 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 7411 **BE ADOPTED,**
one time only.

Discussion:

03:20:19 Rep. Ripley
03:20:46 Rep. Witte
03:22:05 Mr. Brensdal
03:22:25 Rep. Witte
03:22:51 Mr. Brensdal
03:23:13 Rep. Ripley
03:23:37 Mr. Brensdal
03:24:00 Sen. Tash
03:24:16 Mr. Brensdal
03:25:08 Rep. Ripley

03:25:16 **Vote: Motion carried** 4-2 by roll call vote, with
Rep. Witte and Rep. Ripley voting no.

03:25:49 Rep. Ripley

DP 7412 - HD Manufactured Home Renovation Program SSR Approp

03:25:52 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that DP 7412 **BE ADOPTED**
as biennial.

03:26:02 Rep. Ripley

Discussion:

03:26:27 Rep. Witte
03:26:45 Rep. Ripley
03:26:57 Sen. Hansen
03:27:03 Mr. Brensdal
03:27:31 Rep. Ripley
03:27:40 Mr. Brensdal
03:27:39 Sen. Tropila
03:28:28 Mr. Brensdal
03:28:47 Ms. Joehler
03:29:56 Rep. Ripley
03:30:20 Rep. Musgrove
03:30:35 Rep. Ripley

03:30:48 **Vote: Motion carried** unanimously by roll call vote.

03:31:42 Rep. Ripley
03:32:00 Ms. Joehler
03:33:14 Rep. Ripley
03:33:28 Mr. Hoffman

Board of Investments Rate Request

03:34:10 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that rates requested by the Board of Investments on Page C-258, legislative template **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

03:34:28 Sen. Tash

03:34:56 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by voice vote.

03:35:02 Rep. Ripley

Management Division Indirect Cost Rate Increase

03:35:44 **Motion:** Sen. Hansen moved that Indirect Cost Rate Increase for Management Division-Page C-264 **BE ADOPTED.**

03:35:54 Rep. Ripley

03:36:02 **Vote:** **Motion carried** unanimously by voice vote.

Management Services Rate Increase

03:37:08 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved that Management Services rate increase **BE ADOPTED,** Page C-264.

03:37:30 Rep. Ripley

Discussion:

03:37:35 Sen. Hanson

03:37:52 Mr. Poole

03:37:57 Sen. Hanson

03:38:10 Mr. Poole

03:38:23 Rep. Ripley

03:38:32 **Vote:** **Motion carried** 5-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Ripley voting no.

03:39:17 Ms. Joehler

DP 5108-Amendment

03:40:08 **Motion:** Rep. Musgrove moved **TO AMEND** DP 5108 to include restricted designation. **Motion carried** with unanimous voice vote.

03:40:55 Mr. Poole

03:42:00 Rep. Musgrove

03:42:14 Mr. Poole

03:42:41 Break

03:47:22 Reconvene

03:47:40 Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division

03:53:47 Rep. Ripley

03:54:36 Mr. Preite

ADJOURNMENT

03:58:10 Meeting Adjourned

REP. RICK RIPLEY, Chairman

CHRISTIE MESSER, Secretary

RR/cm

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([jnh06aad.pdf](#))