

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By Chairman John Sinrud, on January 26, 2007 at 2:30 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, 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 335, 1/18/2007
Executive Action: None

00:00:02 Rep. Sinrud

HEARING ON HB 335

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:46 Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 335, Appropriate funding for Great Falls College of Technology.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:00 Rep. Llew Jones
00:11:35 Rep. Rick Ripley
00:12:03 Brett Doney, President, Great Falls Development Authority
00:12:56 Donna Stebbins, Mayor of Great Falls
00:14:05 Brian Dunn, School Superintendent, Great Falls
00:16:02 Amy Astin, BENEFIS Health Care
00:17:51 Brian Talcott, President, James Talcott Construction
00:21:26 Jed Swift, citizen, Great Falls
00:23:33 Glen Bliss, Great Falls Chamber of Commerce; General Distributing Company
00:25:15 John Harding, Great Falls Home Owners Association
EXHIBIT (aph18a01)
00:28:01 Colleen Hazen, concerned citizen; faculty member, MSU, Great Falls
00:28:54 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors' Association
00:30:22 Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy
00:31:14 Sen. Mitch Tropila
00:32:04 Dustin Stewart, MT Building Association
00:32:19 Erik Burke, MEA/MFT
00:32:37 Will Weaver, citizen, retired Dean, MSU College of Technology
00:32:50 Sen. Joe Tropila

Opponents' Testimony:

Informational Testimony:

00:33:35 Mary Sheehy Moe, Dean and CEO, MSU Great Falls, College of Technology
00:34:15 Jim Whaley, Project Manager, MSU, Great Falls

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:25 Rep. Kasten
00:36:02 Ms. Moe
00:37:02 Rep. Kasten

00:38:15 Mr. Talcott
00:40:25 Rep. Sinrud
00:40:41 Rep. Taylor
00:41:58 Rep. Dickenson
00:42:52 Rep. Morgan
00:44:34 Ms. Moe
00:47:47 Rep. Franklin
00:48:41 Ms. Moe
00:51:36 Rep. Witte
00:52:35 Mr. Whaley,
00:54:18 Rep. Beck
00:54:45 Ms. Moe
00:55:13 Rep. Wells
00:55:57 Mr. Whaley
00:57:02 Rep. Wells
00:57:29 Rep. Dickenson
00:59:32 Rep. Witte
00:59:59 Rep. Dickenson
01:01:33 Rep. Sinrud
01:01:54 Rep. Dickenson

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:52 Rep. Dickenson

01:06:32 Rep. Sinrud

Additional Exhibits:

Document pertaining to HB 222 Hearing date 1/23/07
[EXHIBIT \(aph18a02\)](#)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:40 P.M.

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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