

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: By Chairman Scott Mendenhall, on March 28, 2007
at 8:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Scott Mendenhall, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jim Keane, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Mike Milburn, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Shannon Augare (D)
Rep. Scott Boggio (R)
Rep. Ernie Dutton (R)
Rep. Kevin T. Furey (D)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Bill Thomas (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Bart Campbell, Legislative Branch
Nancy Kraft, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 440, 3/19/2007; SB 453,
3/19/2007
Executive Action: SB 453; SB 440; SB 92; SB 165; SB
153

HEARING ON SB 453

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:49 Sen. Jeff Essmann (R), SD 28, opened the hearing on SB 453, Require licensing boards to provide public information with respect to disciplinary actions.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:50 John Barrows, Montana Newspaper Association
00:08:59 Ann Brodsky, Legal Counsel, Governor's Office
00:09:56 Keith Allen, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #233

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:10:26 Gene Allison, Business Standards Division, Department of Labor and Industry

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:57 Rep. Boggio
00:11:55 Sen. Essmann
00:12:32 Rep. Mendenhall
00:13:24 Sen. Essmann
00:14:11 Rep. Keane
00:14:33 Mr. Allison

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:13 Sen. Essmann

HEARING ON SB 440

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:38 Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D), SD 13, opened the hearing on SB 440, Revise membership of workforce investment boards--add military veteran.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:17:38 Retired Colonel Jim Jacobsen, Montana American Legion

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:19:03 Leisa Smith, State Workforce Investment Board

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:19:33 Rep. Thomas
00:19:48 Sen. Tropila
00:20:42 Rep. Dutton
00:20:48 Sen. Tropila
00:21:03 Rep. Mendenhall
00:21:45 Sen. Essman
00:22:03 Rep. Mendenhall
00:22:15 Ms. Smith

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:02 Sen. Tropila

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 453

00:26:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Keane moved that SB 453 **BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy. Rep. Keane will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 440

00:27:47 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 440 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:28:38 Rep. Dutton
00:28:54 Rep. Keane
00:29:39 Rep. Furey
00:29:50 Rep. Mendenhall

00:30:37 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy. Rep. Thomas will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 92

00:35:33 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 92 **BE CONCURRED IN.**
00:36:04 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 92 **BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT (buh66a01)

Discussion:

00:36:30 Bart Campbell
00:38:50 Rep. Milburn
00:40:09 Rep. Dutton
00:40:34 Mr. Campbell
00:40:46 Rep. Dutton
00:40:50 Rep. Reinhart

00:41:10 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy.

00:41:35 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 92 **BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy. Rep. McNutt will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 165

00:42:18 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 165 **BE CONCURRED IN**.

00:42:43 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 165 **BE AMENDED**. [EXHIBIT \(buh66a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:42:50 Mr. Campbell
00:44:25 Rep. Milburn

00:44:39 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy.

00:45:06 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 165 **BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:45:11 Rep. Dutton
00:47:05 Rep. Augare
00:47:55 Rep. Keane
00:49:03 Rep. Mendenhall
00:51:03 Rep. Milburn

00:51:33 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy. Rep. Milburn will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 153

00:54:17 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 153 **BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:54:26 Bart Campbell

00:55:06 **Motion:** Rep. Dutton moved that SB 153 **BE AMENDED. EXHIBIT (buh66a03)**

Discussion:

00:56:22 Rep. Furey
00:56:57 Rep. Dutton
00:57:36 Rep. Keane
00:57:56 Rep. Dutton
00:58:25 Rep. Keane
00:58:47 Mr. Campbell

00:59:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:59:48 **Motion:** Rep. Milburn moved that SB 153 **BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:00:33 Rep. Mendenhall
01:00:51 Rep. Furey
01:01:04 Rep. Keane

01:01:16 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Reps. Windy Boy, Van Dyk, Stahl, Arntzen, Heinert, and Jones voted by proxy. Rep. Milburn will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

01:01:57 Adjournment: 9:15 A.M.

REP. SCOTT MENDENHALL, Chairman

NANCY KRAFT, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([buh66aad.pdf](#))