

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION**

Call to Order: Chairman Jim Shockley, on February 6, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 335 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Carolyn Squires (D)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Keith Bales (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary

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: SB 20, 1/31/2009; SB 309, 1/31/2009
Executive Action: SB 309; SB 199

00:00:04 Sen. Shockley

HEARING ON SB 309

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:11 Sen. Jim Shockley (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 309, Increase lodging and per diem reimbursement for state employees.

EXHIBIT (sts28a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:36 Tom Schneider, Montana Public Employees Association
00:05:40 Sen. Balyeat
00:05:42 Terry Minow, MEA-MFT
00:06:22 Sen. Balyeat
00:06:25 Amy Grmoljez, Montana Innkeepers Association (MIKA)
00:06:30 Sen. Balyeat
00:06:32 Harold Blatty, MACo
00:06:49 Sen. Balyeat

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Informational Testimony:

None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:50 Sen. Tropila
00:08:08 Sen. Shockley
00:08:15 Sen. Balyeat
00:08:59 Sen. Shockley

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:22 Sen. Shockley
00:10:20 Sen. Shockley

HEARING ON SB 20

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:10:23 Sen. Larry Jent (D), SD 32, opened the hearing on SB 20, Purpose statement for MAPA.

00:11:39 Sen. Bales now present.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:12:35 Ann Brodsky, Chief Legal Counsel, Office of the Governor

EXHIBIT (sts28a02)

00:21:53 Mark Cadwallader, Department of Labor and Industry

Opponents' Testimony:

None.

Informational Testimony:

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:18 Sen. Bales
00:22:59 Sen. Shockley
00:23:30 Sen. Jent
00:24:49 Sen. Shockley
00:25:23 Sen. Jent
00:25:26 Sen. Shockley
00:25:38 Sen. Jent
00:26:10 Sen. Shockley
00:26:18 Sen. Jent
00:26:41 Sen. Shockley
00:26:42 Sen. Jent
00:26:58 Sen. Shockley
00:27:03 Sen. Tropila
00:27:18 Sen. Shockley
00:27:24 Sen. Bales
00:27:55 Sen. Shockley
00:28:18 Sen. Jent
00:28:28 Sen. Shockley
00:28:30 Sen. Bales
00:28:44 Sen. Shockley
00:29:24 Sen. Jent

00:29:47 Sen. Shockley

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 309

Motion: Sen. Windy Boy moved **SB 309 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:30:39 Sen. Shockley
00:30:50 Sen. Brenden
00:32:38 Sen. Shockley
00:32:40 Sen. Cooney
00:34:29 Sen. Shockley
00:34:34 Sen. Squires
00:36:00 Sen. Shockley
00:36:28 Sen. Squires
00:36:50 Sen. Shockley
00:37:23 Sen. Squires
00:37:24 Sen. Shockley
00:37:26 Sen. Windy Boy
00:38:22 Sen. Shockley
00:38:38 Sen. Cooney
00:39:44 Sen. Shockley
00:40:32 Sen. Bales
00:41:43 Sen. Shockley
00:41:50 Sen. Squires
00:42:41 Sen. Shockley

00:42:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Bales and Sen. Brenden voting no. Sen. Black voted by proxy.

00:45:02 Sen. Cooney
00:45:47 Sen. Shockley
00:45:58 Sen. Cooney
00:46:15 Sen. Shockley

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 199

00:46:17 **Motion:** Sen. Cooney moved that **SB 199 DO PASS.**

00:46:19 **Motion:** Sen. Cooney moved that **SB 199 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT (sts28a03)

Discussion:

00:46:21 Sen. Cooney
00:48:29 Sen. Shockley
00:48:36 Sen. Bales
00:49:04 Sen. Cooney

00:49:56 **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Black voted by proxy

00:50:32 **Motion:** Sen. Cooney moved that SB 199 **DO PASS AS AMENDED.** (New fiscal note to be requested before completing the Executive Action.)

Discussion:

00:50:35 Sen. Shockley

00:50:51 Mr. Bohyer

00:51:02 Sen. Bales

00:51:06 Sen. Shockley

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:55 P.M.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([sts28aad.pdf](#))