

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chairman Gary L. Perry, on March 20, 2009 at 9:07
A.M., in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gary L. Perry, Chairman (R)
Sen. Jim Shockley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Carol C. Juneau (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)
Sen. Lynda Moss (D)
Sen. Terry Murphy (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Valencia Lane, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, 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: HB 591, SB 379, 3/13/2009

Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 591**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:08 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 591, Require an American Indian member on the Board of Parole and Pardons.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:24 Anne Brodsky, Office of the Governor

00:07:33 Scott Crichton, Executive Director, ACLU

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00:09:31 Rep. Frosty Calf Boss Ribs, HD 15

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

00:10:20 Patti Keebler, Board of Commissions and Appointments, Office of the Governor

00:11:01 Craig Thomas, Executive Director, Board of Pardons and Parole, Department of Corrections (DOC)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:28 Sen. Hinkle

00:11:49 Rep. Pease-Lopez

00:13:21 Sen. Hinkle

00:13:32 Mr. Thomas

00:14:21 Sen. Laslovich

00:14:55 Ms. Brodsky

00:16:41 Rep. Pease-Lopez

00:19:23 Sen. Laslovich

00:20:04 Mr. Thomas

00:24:21 Sen. Laslovich

00:24:45 Ms. Keebler

00:24:54 Ms. Brodsky

00:28:12 Sen. Laslovich

00:28:27 Rep. Pease-Lopez

00:30:32 Sen. Perry

00:30:47 Sen. Esp

00:31:45 Ms. Brodsky

00:34:31 Sen. Esp
00:34:46 Rep. Pease-Lopez
00:35:35 Sen. Esp
00:35:40 Sen. Juneau
00:36:10 Mr. Thomas

Closing by Sponsor:

00:45:11 Rep. Pease-Lopez
00:45:20 break

HEARING ON SB 379

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:00:48 Sen. Gary Perry (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB
379, Create offenses concerning illegal aliens.

[EXHIBIT \(jus62b02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:06:01 Sen. Perry

Opponents' Testimony:

01:06:14 Amy Aguirre, self
01:10:36 Peggy Contreras, self
01:17:22 Sen. Moss
00:17:25 Ms. Contreras (continued)
01:18:41 Shahid Haque-Hausrah, Attorney
01:23:37 Jamee Greer, Montana Human Rights Network
01:23:59 Carol Ferguson, self

[EXHIBIT \(jus62b03\)](#)

01:25:16 Ted Dick, Service Employees National Union
01:25:35 Scott Crichton

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:27:23 Sen. Laslovich
01:27:41 Mr. Crichton
01:29:32 Sen. Laslovich
01:29:45 Mr. Greer
01:30:35 Sen. Laslovich
01:31:26 Sen. Perry
01:32:51 Sen. McGee
01:33:14 Ms. Contreras
01:34:36 Sen. Larsen
01:35:12 Mr. Haque-Hausrah
01:37:04 Sen. McGee
01:37:17 Mr. Greer
01:39:02 Sen. McGee
01:39:19 Jim Smith, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers
Association
01:40:05 Sen. Juneau
01:42:00 Mr. Haque-Hausrah
01:53:33 Sen. Murphy
01:54:00 Mr. Haque-Hausrah
01:55:34 Sen. Moss
01:55:54 Mr. Dick
01:56:35 Sen. Moss
01:57:20 Ms. Contreras

Closing by Sponsor:

01:58:36 Sen. Perry

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:15 A.M.

Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([jus62bad.pdf](#))