

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chairman Rick Laible, on March 23, 2009 at 3:00
P.M., in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gary Branae (D)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Rick Laible, Chairman (R)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Nadine Spencer, 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: Presentation on HB 645

Executive Action: HB 488

00:01:04 Chairman Laible entered the hearing.

00:01:11 Sen. McGee entered the hearing.

DISCUSSION ON HB 645

[EXHIBIT \(eds64a01\)](#)

Informational Presentation:

00:01:41 Barbara Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT \(eds64a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(eds64a03\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:08:33 Sen. Ripley

00:08:53 Barbara Smith

00:09:14 Sen. Ripley

00:09:25 Barbara Smith

00:09:35 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

00:10:07 Sen. Hawks

00:11:02 Kris Wilkinson

00:11:57 Sen. Hawks

Informational Presentation:

00:12:20 Taryn Purdy, LFD

[EXHIBIT \(eds64a04\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:17:40 Chairman Laible

00:18:06 Taryn Purdy

00:18:25 Chairman Laible

00:18:32 Taryn Purdy

00:19:31 Chairman Laible

00:19:44 Taryn Purdy

00:20:21 Sen. Ripley

00:20:39 Taryn Purdy

00:20:55 Sen. Ripley

00:21:11 Taryn Purdy

Informational Presentation:

00:21:31 Kris Wilkinson

[EXHIBIT \(eds64a05\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:32:25 Chairman Laible
00:32:45 Kris Wilkinson
00:33:11 Sen. Hawks
00:33:27 Kris Wilkinson
00:33:33 Sen. Hawks
00:33:52 Kris Wilkinson
00:34:04 Sen. Ripley
00:34:30 Kris Wilkinson
00:35:02 Sen. McGee
00:35:27 Kris Wilkinson
00:35:31 Sen. McGee
00:35:42 Kris Wilkinson
00:36:26 Sen. McGee
00:36:47 Kris Wilkinson
00:37:02 Bob Runkle, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
00:38:19 Sen. McGee
00:38:33 Bob Runkle
00:39:22 Sen. McGee
00:39:41 Bob Runkle
00:40:34 Chairman Laible
00:41:23 Kris Wilkinson
00:41:28 Chairman Laible
00:41:39 B.J. Granbery, OPI
00:41:43 Chairman Laible
00:41:54 B.J. Granbery
00:43:01 Chairman Laible
00:43:37 B.J. Granbery
00:44:13 Chairman Laible

Informational Presentation:

00:44:33 Pam Joehler, LFD
[EXHIBIT \(eds64a06\)](#)
[EXHIBIT \(eds64a07\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:33 Sen. McGee
00:58:40 Pam Joehler
00:58:55 Chairman Laible
00:59:22 Pam Joehler
00:59:50 Chairman Laible

Informational Presentation:

01:00:11 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
[EXHIBIT \(eds64a08\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:09:14 Sen. Brown
 01:09:25 Denise Juneau
 01:10:03 Sen. Brown
 01:10:22 Denise Juneau
 01:11:00 Chairman Laible left the hearing and Sen. Ripley
 assumed the chair.
 01:12:11 Sen. Brown
 01:12:19 Denise Juneau
 01:12:23 Sen. Brown
 01:12:26 Denise Juneau
 01:13:06 Sen. Hawks
 01:14:01 Jim Standaert, LFD
 01:15:07 Sen. Hawks
 01:15:17 Jim Standaert
 01:15:28 Sen. Hawks
 01:16:11 Jim Standaert
 01:16:28 Sen. Hawks
 01:16:34 Sen. Ripley
 01:17:05 Jim Standaert
 01:18:32 Sen. Ripley
 01:18:37 Jim Standaert
 01:18:58 Pam Joehler

EXHIBIT (eds64a09)

01:20:28 Sen. Ripley

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 488

01:21:05 **Motion:** Sen. Zinke moved that **HB 488 BE TABLED.**

Discussion:

01:21:18 Sen. McGee
 01:21:19 Sen. Ripley
 01:21:25 Sen. Hawks protested the motion to table.
 01:21:36 Sen. Ripley

01:21:42 **Motion:** Sen. Hawks moved that **HB 488 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:22:01 Sen. Hawks
 01:23:02 Sen. Ripley
 01:24:12 Casey Barrs
 01:25:19 Sen. McGee
 01:28:06 Sen. Hawks
 01:28:50 Sen. Zinke

01:29:04 Sen. Hawks

01:20:04 Chairman Laible entered the hearing.

01:29:07 Substitute Motion/Vote: Sen. Zinke moved that **HB 488**
BE TABLED. MOTION CARRIED unanimously by roll call
vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([eds64aad.pdf](#))