

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS

Call to Order: Chairman Keith Bales, on April 17, 2009 at 9:00
A.M., in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Keith Bales, Chairman (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley (R)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: None

Executive Action: HB 15, HB 194, HB 274, HB 279

00:00:00 Chairman Bales

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 15

00:01:00 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 15 BE TABLED.**

00:01:17 Sen. Cooney asked if the motion was undebatable.

00:01:39 Chairman Bales

00:01:43 Sen. Cooney

00:01:47 Chairman Bales

00:01:53 Sen. Gallus

00:02:07 Chairman Bales ruled one proponent and one opponent would speak to the bill.

00:02:11 Sen. Lewis withdrew his motion

00:02:18 **Motion:** Sen. Cooney moved that **HB 15 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:02:30 Sen. Hawks

00:03:22 Chairman Bales

Sen. Schmidt not present

00:04:28 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 15 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Sen. Cooney, Sen. Gallus, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Hawks, Sen. Schmidt, Sen. Tropila, Sen. Wanzenried, and Sen. Williams voting no. Sen. Barkus, Sen. Brueggeman, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Schmidt and Sen. Williams voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 194

00:05:43 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 194 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:06:30 Sen. Cooney

00:07:01 Sen. Lewis

Sen. Brueggeman present

00:07:49 **Vote:** Motion carried by voice vote 19-0. Sen. Barkus, Sen. Peterson, Sen. Schmidt and Sen. Williams voted by proxy. Sen. Esp will carry the bill in the Senate.

Sen. Barkus now present

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 274

00:08:39 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 274 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:09:06 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Esp moved that **HB 274 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 10-9 by roll call vote with Sen. Cooney, Sen. Gallus, Sen. Hansen, Sen. Hawks, Sen. Schmidt, Sen. Tropila, Sen. Wanzenried, Sen. Williams, and Sen. Zinke voting no. Sen. Peterson, Sen. Schmidt and Sen. Williams voted by proxy.

00:10:49 Sen. Hawks

00:10:52 Chairman Bales

00:10:59 Sen. Brenden

00:11:20 Chairman Bales

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 279

00:11:44 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved that **HB 279 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:11:59 Sen. Lewis

00:12:34 Sen. Zinke

00:13:24 Chairman Bales

00:13:27 Sen. Barrett

00:13:44 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Peterson, Sen. Schmidt and Sen. Williams voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:20 P.M.

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([fcs82aad.pdf](#))