

**MINUTES**

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

**FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL 645**

**Call to Order:** Chairman John Esp, on April 17, 2009 at 4:00 P.M.,  
in Room 317 Capitol

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. John Esp, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso, Chairman (D)  
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Walter McNutt (R)  
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)  
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Taryn Purdy, Legislative Branch  
Prudence Gildroy, 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: None

Executive Action: None

00:56:15 Chairman Esp  
00:57:49 Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA)  
01:01:21 Chairman Esp  
01:01:26 Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
01:04:15 Chairman Esp  
01:04:35 Amy Carlson, Office of Budget and Program Planning  
(OBPP)  
01:05:32 Chairman Esp  
01:05:39 Sen. Peterson  
01:06:16 Ms. Purdy, LFD  
01:06:56 Chairman Esp  
01:07:03 Rep. Morgan  
01:07:13 Ms. Purdy  
01:07:26 Chairman Esp  
01:07:42 Vice-Chair Sesso  
01:09:08 Chairman Esp  
01:09:52 Sen. Peterson  
01:10:36 Ms. Purdy  
01:10:57 Chairman Esp  
01:12:02 Rep. Morgan  
01:12:26 Chairman Esp  
01:13:59 Sen. Peterson  
01:14:47 Ms. Carlson, OBPP  
01:15:45 Sen. Peterson  
01:15:56 Ms. Purdy  
01:16:51 Chairman Esp

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT ([frs82hb0645aad.pdf](#))**