

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chairman Walter McNutt, on January 5, 2011 at 8:00 M, in Room 102 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Walter McNutt, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)  
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. John Esp (R)  
Rep. Steve Gibson (R)  
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)  
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Rep. Don Roberts (R)  
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)  
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Duane Ankney (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Antoine Brockman, Committee Secretary  
Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch  
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

**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:**

00:04:11 Chairman McNutt  
00:07:47 Chairman McNutt told the committee about the implementation of proxy votes.  
Vice Chairman Beck said he would handle the Republican Committee Members.  
Rep. Hiner said she would handle the Democratic Committee Members.  
00:09:12 Rep. Sesso  
00:11:50 Chairman McNutt  
00:12:30 Rep. Belcourt  
00:12:49 Rep. Brodehl  
00:13:06 Rep. Burnett  
00:13:19 Rep. Cook  
00:13:27 Rep. Cuffe  
00:14:14 Rep. Edmunds  
00:14:27 Rep. Ehli  
00:14:42 Rep. Esp  
00:14:50 Rep. Gibson  
00:15:19 Vice Chairman Beck  
00:16:01 Chairman McNutt  
00:16:47 Rep. Hiner  
00:17:04 Rep. Hollandsworth  
00:17:34 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:18:04 Rep. McChesney  
00:19:16 Rep. Mehloff  
00:20:08 Rep. Osmundson  
00:20:42 Rep. Roberts  
00:21:04 Rep. Schmidt  
00:21:52 Rep. Sesso  
00:23:01 Chairman McNutt revisited the topic of proxy votes and called for discussion of the committee handling of Proxy votes.

**Discussion:**

00:23:17 **Motion:** Rep. Esp moved to allow Committee Proxies.  
00:24:04 Rep. Sesso  
00:24:08 Chairman McNutt  
00:24:39 Rep. Sesso  
00:24:45 Rep. McNutt  
00:24:50 Rep. Schmidt  
00:25:14 Chairman McNutt  
00:25:56 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**Discussion:**

00:26:18 Rep. McChesney  
00:26:29 Rep. Cuffe  
00:26:40 Chairman McNutt  
00:27:26 Jon Moe, Expenditure Policy Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:29:16 Rep. Cuffe  
00:29:21 Mr. Moe

00:29:27 Rep. Cuffe  
00:30:00 Rep. McNutt  
00:32:15 Rep. Hollensworth  
00:32:53 Chairman McNutt  
00:32:59 Vice-Chairman Beck  
00:34:23 Mr. Moe  
00:35:02 Chairman McNutt  
00:37:26 Rep. Sesso  
00:37:33 Rep. McNutt  
00:37:41 Mr. Moe  
00:40:01 Chairman McNutt  
00:40:10 Rep. Sesso

**ADJOURNMENT**

00:41:32      Adjournment: Chairman McNutt adjourned the meeting.

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Antoine Brockman, Secretary

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