

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Pat Ingraham, on January 12, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Pat Ingraham, Chairman (R)
Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)
Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. James Knox (R)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch
Tim Stark, 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 66, 1/10/2011; HB 88, 1/10/2011; HB 89, 1/10/2011; HB 152,
1/10/2011

00:00:03 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:00:10 Secretary Tim Stark

HEARING ON HB 89

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:32 Rep. Pat Ingraham (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 89, Eliminate local registration, disclosure filing for legis, statewide candidates.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:45 Jennifer Hensley, Office of Political Practices (OPP)
00:08:28 Mary Baker, OPP
00:09:18 Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State (SOS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth09a01\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:11:27 John Barrows, Montana Newspaper Association (MNA)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:13:11 Rep. Franke Wilmer
00:13:59 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:14:29 Rep. Betsy Hands left the room.
00:14:42 Rep. Gordon Hendrick
00:15:11 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:15:47 Rep. James Knox
00:16:09 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:16:57 Rep. Pat Connell
00:17:37 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:17:54 Rep. Pat Connell
00:18:01 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:19:44 Rep. Joanne Blyton
00:20:34 Mary Baker
00:21:47 Rep. Bryce Bennett
00:22:23 Linda McCulloch
00:23:11 Rep. Derek Skees
00:23:54 John Barrows
00:26:19 Rep. Derek Skees
00:26:28 John Barrows
00:26:49 Rep. James Knox
00:27:23 John Barrows
00:27:51 Rep. Pat Ingraham
00:28:02 Rep. Betsy Hands entered the room.
00:29:15 Rep. Gordon Hendrick

Closing by Sponsor:

00:29:58 Rep. Pat Ingraham

HEARING ON HB 66

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:44 Rep. Kathy Swanson (D), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 66, Clarify agency to which the state records committee is attached.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:35:15 Linda McCulloch, SOS

[EXHIBIT\(sth09a02\)](#)

00:36:30 Mike Manion, Department of Administration (DOA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:04 Rep. Gordon Hendrick

00:38:39 Linda McCulloch

00:39:36 Rep. Pat Ingraham

00:40:14 Rep. Kathy Swanson

00:40:41 Rep. Pat Ingraham

00:40:48 Linda McCulloch

00:41:35 Rep. Pat Ingraham

00:42:14 Linda McCulloch

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:04 Rep. Kathy Swanson

HEARING ON HB 88

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:43:42 Rep. Franke Wilmer (D), HD 64, opened the hearing on HB 88, Allow youth election judges.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:47:23 Linda McCulloch

[EXHIBIT\(sth09a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth09a04\)](#)

00:53:15 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights of Montana
00:55:29 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association (MSBA)
00:56:20 Drew Geiger, Montana League of Woman Voters (LWVMT)
00:57:15 Jeanie Souvigney, Montana Conservation Voters (MCV)
00:58:05 Olivia Rutta, League of Women Voters of Montana (LWVMT)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:58:30 Tom Stockton, Helena, Montana
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a05\)](#)
01:01:59 Cindy Swank, Poplar, Montana
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a06\)](#)
01:03:48 Trevis Butcher, Winifred, Montana
01:06:16 Jeanie Rickert, Lewistown, Montana
01:08:04 Tim Ravandal, Lewis & Clark Conservatives
01:08:43 Roger Nummerdor, self
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a07\)](#)
01:10:30 Jon Rush, Helena, Montana
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a08\)](#)
01:13:19 Becky Stockton, Helena, Montana
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a09\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a10\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:21:39 Rep. James Knox
01:22:52 Becky Stockton
01:22:59 Rep. Bryce Bennett
01:23:26 Linda McCulloch
01:25:26 Rep. Derek Skees
01:25:56 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division
01:26:18 Rep. Ted Washburn
01:26:51 Linda McCulloch
01:27:28 Rep. Ted Washburn
01:27:39 Linda McCulloch
01:28:01 Rep. Betsy Hands
01:28:29 Rep. Frank Smith
01:29:03 Rep. Pat Ingraham
01:29:50 Linda McCulloch
01:30:51 Rep. Pat Ingraham
01:31:04 Linda McCulloch
01:31:12 Rep. Joanne Blyton
01:31:55 Linda McCulloch
01:32:25 Rep. Frank Smith
01:32:39 Travis Butcher
01:33:30 Rep. Frank Smith

Closing by Sponsor:

01:34:13 Rep. Franke Wilmer

HEARING ON HB 152**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:57:06 Rep. Ted Washburn (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 152, Revise proof of residency and identity requirements for voting.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:03:13 Travis Butcher, Winifred, Montana
02:06:24 Jeanie Rickert, Lewistown, Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

02:07:43 Chris Cavazes, Montana AFL-CIO
02:08:56 Linda McCulloch, SOS
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a11\)](#)
02:10:52 Joy Bruck, AARP
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a12\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a13\)](#)
02:13:13 Eric Stern, Governors Office
02:16:23 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
02:21:30 Jeanne Souvigney, Montana Conservation Voters (MCV)
02:23:06 Annie Glover, Confederate Kootenai Tribes
02:25:58 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
02:27:11 Olivia Rutta LWVMT
02:29:04 Jamie Greer, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)
02:29:56 Sarah Sather, Montana Public Interest Research Group (PIRG)
02:30:48 Scott Crichton, ACLU
02:34:00 Cindy Swank, Poplar Montana
[EXHIBIT\(sth09a14\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:37:17 Rep. James Knox
02:38:08 Linda McCulloch
02:38:29 Rep. James Knox
02:38:42 Linda McCulloch
02:39:20 Rep. James Knox
02:39:54 Linda McCulloch
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02:48:10 Rep. Franke Wilmer
02:49:47 Linda McCulloch
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02:51:43 Rep. Ted Washburn
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02:56:51 Rep. Ted Washburn
02:57:07 Rep. Gordon Hendrick
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02:58:24 Rep. Ted Washburn
02:58:52 Rep. James Knox
02:59:03 Linda McCulloch
02:59:41 Rep. James Knox
03:00:04 Linda McCulloch

Closing by Sponsor:

03:00:49 Rep. Ted Washburn

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:03:00 11:05 a.m.

Tim Stark, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth09aad.pdf](#))