

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mark Blasdel, on January 21, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Blasdel, Chairman (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Mike Miller, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Alan Hale (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Sue Malek (D)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Jeff Martin, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 165, 1/14/2011; HB 219, 1/14/2011; HB 192, 1/14/2011

Executive Action: HB 21; HB 103; HB 107; HB 111; HB 132

HEARING ON HB 165**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:28 Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 165, Deposit certain trust land and river bed income to guarantee account.

00:03:13 Rep. Taylor arrived.

Proponents' Testimony: None**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:04:03 Eric Burke, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

Informational Testimony:

00:07:54 Monte Mason, Department of Natural Resources (DNRC)

EXHIBIT(tah16a01)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:45 Rep. Stahl
00:10:50 Mr. Mason, DNRC
00:11:45 Rep. Stahl
00:12:20 Mr. Mason, DNRC
00:13:00 Rep. Malek
00:13:15 Mr. Burke, MEA-MFT
00:13:34 Rep. Malek
00:13:42 Mr. Burke, MEA-MFT
00:14:42 Rep. Malek
00:15:00 Mr. Burke, MEA-MFT
00:15:07 Rep. Barrett
00:15:28 Mr. Burke, MEA-MFT
00:15:51 Rep. Williams
00:16:08 Mr. Mason, DNRC

Closing by Sponsor:

00:16:29 Rep. Hollandsworth

HEARING ON HB 219**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:17:38 Rep. Tom McGillvray (R), HD 50, opened the hearing on HB 219, Index federal income tax deduction to consumer price index.

EXHIBIT(tah16a02)

EXHIBIT(tah16a03)

00:29:09 Rep. Lavin arrived.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:34:27 Cindy Swank, self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:37:40 Tara Veazey, Montana Budget & Policy Center (MBPC)

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:40:34 Rep. Williams
00:40:41 Rep. McGillvray
00:41:16 Rep. Malek
00:41:24 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:41:33 Rep. Malek
00:41:45 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:42:54 Rep. Malek
00:43:17 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:45:29 Rep. Malek
00:46:17 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:47:25 Rep. Barrett
00:47:35 Rep. McGillvray
00:50:38 Rep. Barrett
00:50:43 Rep. McGillvray
00:50:53 Rep. Hale
00:51:00 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:51:06 Rep. Hale
00:51:27 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:52:43 Rep. Hale
00:53:28 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
00:54:10 Chairman Blasdel
00:54:17 Rep. Flynn
00:54:23 Rep. McGillvray
00:54:40 Rep. Flynn
00:54:59 Rep. McGillvray

Closing by Sponsor:

00:55:30 Rep. McGillvray

HEARING ON HB 192**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:59:12 Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R), HD 3, opened the hearing on HB 192, Adjust exempt retirement amounts for individual income tax.

00:59:14 Rep. Miller left the room.

01:02:04 Rep. Hale left the room.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:05:07 Billy E. Butts, National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE)

01:06:19 Rep. Stahl left the room.

01:08:41 Rep. Miller returned.

01:08:52 Rep. Hale returned.

01:09:46 Russell Wrigg, President of Association of Montana Retired Pubic Employees (AMRPE)
01:12:28 Rep. Stahl returned.
01:15:51 Michael A. Devich, NARFE
01:18:04 Rep. Knudsen left the room.
01:19:23 Bob Robinson, Board Member of AMRPE

Opponents' Testimony:

01:21:48 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
01:21:52 Rep. Knudsen returned.

Informational Testimony:

01:23:22 Dan Dodds, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:23:40 Rep. Barrett
01:24:32 Mr. Dodds, DOR
01:24:43 Rep. Barrett
01:25:26 Mr. Dodds, DOR
01:26:21 Rep. Barrett
01:27:59 Mr. Dodds, DOR
01:26:30 Rep. Malek
01:26:35 Rep. O'Neil
01:26:37 Rep. Malek
01:27:35 Rep. O'Neil
01:27:40 Rep. Malek
01:27:43 Rep. O'Neil
01:27:48 Rep. Phillips
01:27:54 Rep. O'Neil
01:29:07 Rep. Taylor
01:29:30 Mr. Martin
01:30:02 Rep. Taylor
01:30:28 Mr. Martin
01:30:37 Rep. Taylor
01:30:41 Mr. Martin
01:31:15 Vice Chairman Miller
01:31:20 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
01:31:32 Vice Chairman Miller
01:31:37 Ms. Veazey, MBPC
01:31:38 Rep. Flynn left the room.
01:32:32 Rep. Williams
01:32:59 Mr. Dodds, DOR

Closing by Sponsor:

01:33:51 Rep. O'Neil

01:35:14 Recessed
01:51:08 Resumed
01:51:08 Rep. Fitzpatrick arrived.
01:51:27 Rep. Flynn returned.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 21

01:51:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Barrett moved that **HB 21 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 103

01:54:00 **Motion:** Rep. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 103 DO PASS**.

01:54:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 103 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(tah16a04)

01:55:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 107

01:56:00 **Motion:** Rep. Barrett moved that **HB 107 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:56:02 Rep. Knudsen

01:56:22 Rep. Malek

01:57:01 Rep. Phillips

01:57:43 Rep. Stahl

02:00:02 Vice Chairman Miller

02:00:17 Mr. Martin

02:00:42 Rep. Malek

02:02:01 Mr. Martin

02:02:33 Rep. Hoven

02:02:53 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Fitzpatrick, Rep. Hale, Rep. Knudsen, Rep. Randall, Rep. Stahl and Rep. Taylor voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 111

02:04:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Stahl moved that **HB 111 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 132

02:05:05 **Motion:** Rep. Hoven moved that **HB 132 DO PASS**.

EXHIBIT(tah16a05)

02:06:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hoven moved that **HB 132 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:07:43 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hoven moved that **HB 132 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(tah16a06)

02:12:16 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McClafferty moved that **HB 132 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(tah16a07)

02:12:41 Rep. O'Neil

02:12:50 Mr. Martin

02:13:36 Rep. O'Neil

02:13:39 Mr. Martin

02:14:23 Rep. Stahl

02:14:28 Mr. Puera, DOR

02:14:52 Rep. Stahl

02:15:03 Mr. Puera, DOR

02:15:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Miller moved that **HB 132 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

02:16:36 Adjournment 10:16 am

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah16aad.pdf](#))