

## MINUTES

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

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Roy Hollandsworth, on February 1, 2011 at 10:08 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Roy Hollandsworth, Chair (R)  
Sen. Debby Barrett, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)  
Sen. Llew Jones (R)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Barbara Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Marissa Stockton, 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:**

Executive Action on  
Montana Board of Public Education  
Montana School for the Deaf and Blind

00:00:02 Chairman Hollandsworth

**Executive Action on the Montana Board of Public Education:**

00:00:54 Barbara Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**EXHIBIT(jeh25a01)**

00:03:43 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:04:24 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:05:18 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:05:30 Steve Meloy, Montana Board of Education (BPE)

00:10:22 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:10:46 Steve Meloy, BPE

00:12:23 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:12:29 Sen. Hawks

00:13:08 Steve Meloy, BPE

00:13:37 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:14:14 Steve Meloy, BPE

00:14:23 Sen. Jones

00:14:32 Steve Meloy, BPE

00:14:43 Sen. Jones

00:14:44 Steve Meloy, BPE

00:14:49 Sen. Jones

00:16:40 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:18:31 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:18:44 Sen. Barrett

00:19:27 Sen. Hamlett

00:19:48 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:20:58 Sen. Hawks

00:22:35 Nancy Hall, Office of Budget Planning and Programming (OBPP)

00:23:59 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:24:01 Sen. Jones

00:24:10 Nancy Jones, OBPP

00:24:28 Sen. Jones

00:24:42 Barbara Smith, LFD

00:25:28 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:26:02 **Motion:** Sen Jones moved **TO CREATE A DP THAT WOULD INCREASE FUNDING FROM \$6 to \$10 A YEAR FOR THE RESEARCH FUND.**

**Discussion:**

00:27:46 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:27:53 Sen. Jones

00:27:56 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:28:05 Sen. Hawks

00:28:13 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:28:18 Barbara Smith, LFD

00:28:52 Sen. Hawks

00:29:05 Barbara Smith, LFD

00:29:24 Sen. Hawks  
00:29:29 Sen. Jones  
00:29:36 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:29:55 Sen. Jones  
00:30:02 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:31:00 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:31:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 4-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Hawks and Rep. Mehlhoff voting no.

00:31:55 Nancy Hall  
00:32:04 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:32:11 **Motion:** Sen. Jones moved **TO INCREASE THE SPENDING AUTHORITY TO UTILIZE THESE DOLLARS TO MEET THE NEED OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM THE RESEARCH FUND.**

**Discussion:**

00:32:48 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:32:52 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:33:10 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:33:16 Sen. Jones  
00:33:31 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:33:43 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:34:14 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:34:20 Sen. Jones  
00:34:40 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:34:45 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:35:26 Sen. Hawks  
00:35:40 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:35:52 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:36:03 Sen. Jones withdrew his motion on the distribution portion of the DP pending further information.

00:36:13 Sen. Barrett  
00:36:58 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:37:09 Steve Meloy, BPE  
00:37:26 Sen. Barrett  
00:37:54 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:38:33 Sen. Hamlett  
00:39:18 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:39:33 Steve Meloy, BPE  
00:40:00 Chairman Hollandsworth

**NP103**

00:40:09 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jones moved that **NP103 BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**NP140**

00:40:40 **Motion:** Sen. Jones moved that **NP140 BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:41:05 Sen. Jones  
00:41:47 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:42:04 Sen. Jones  
00:42:24 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:42:27 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:42:50 Sen. Jones withdrew his motion.

**NP95101**

00:42:56 **Motion:** Sen. Jones moved that **NP 95101 5% REDUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:43:09 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:43:10 Sen. Hawks  
00:43:56 Chairman Hollandsworth  
  
00:44:41 **Vote:** Motion carried 4-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hamlett, Sen. Hawks and Rep. Mehlhoff voting no.  
  
00:44:44 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:45:03 Steve Meloy, BPE  
00:45:08 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:45:32 Sen. Jones  
00:46:32 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:46:59 Sen. Jones  
00:47:56 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:48:06 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:48:28 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:48:33 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:48:41 Rep. Mehlhoff  
00:48:44 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:49:24 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:49:33 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:49:42 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
00:49:51 Chairman Hollandsworth

**Executive Action on the Montana School for the Deaf and Blind:**

00:50:05 Sen. Jones  
00:50:34 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:54:53 Chairman Hollandsworth

00:55:38 Sen. Jones  
00:56:09 Rep. Mehlhoff

**PL10**

00:56:13 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jones moved that **PL10 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:56:38 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:57:01 Sen. Jones  
00:58:24 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:58:35 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:58:39 Chairman Hollandsworth  
00:58:44 Sen. Jones  
00:58:51 Barbara Smith, LFD

**NP50 and NP55**

00:59:06 **Motion:** Sen. Jones moved **TO ADOPT OPTION # 3 FOR NP50 AND NP 55 WHICH WOULD RESTORE PREVIOUSLY TAKEN REDUCTIONS AT VACANCY SAVINGS. THIS ALLOWS FOR RESTORATION OF THE CORRESPONDING FTE AT A REDUCED LEVEL OF FUNDING.**

**Discussion:**

00:59:38 Sen. Hawks  
01:00:13 Chairman Hollandsworth  
  
01:00:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
  
01:01:00 Chairman Hollandsworth

**PL1**

01:01:01 **Motion:** Sen. Jones moved that **PL 1 BE ADOPTED**.

**Discussion:**

01:01:31 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:01:44 Sen. Jones  
01:01:53 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:01:55 Sen. Jones withdrew his motion on PL1.  
01:01:58 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
01:02:16 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:02:21 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:02:41 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:02:58 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:03:33 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:03:49 Bill Sykes, Montana School for the Deaf and Blind (MSDB)  
01:05:07 Chairman Hollandsworth

01:05:09 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:05:36 Bill Sykes, MSDB  
**EXHIBIT(jeh25a02)**  
01:08:38 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:08:40 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:09:37 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:09:44 Sen. Jones  
01:09:50 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:10:12 Sen. Hawks  
01:10:50 Barbara Smith, LFD  
01:12:07 Sen. Hawks  
01:12:18 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:12:30 Nancy Hall, OBPP  
01:13:20 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:13:30 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:15:01 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:15:11 Sen. Hamlett  
01:16:15 Chairman Hollandsworth  
01:17:01 Bill Sykes, MSDB  
01:17:17 Barbara Smith, LFD  
01:17:27 Chairman Hollandsworth

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:17:58

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Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jeh25aad.pdf](#))**