

## MINUTES

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

### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Pat Ingraham, on February 1, 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. Jean Price (D)  
Rep. Derek Skees (R)  
Rep. Frank Smith (D)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)  
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)  
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 122, 1/27/2011

00:02:12 Rep. Gary MacLaren entered the room.

### **HEARING ON HB 122**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:26 Rep. Sue Malek (D), HD 98, opened the hearing on HB 122, Provide for benefit and funding changes to public employees retirement system.

[EXHIBIT\(sth25a01\)](#)

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:13:07 Dianna Porter Butte, Montana

[EXHIBIT\(sth25a02\)](#)

00:16:36 Terrence Smith Bozeman, Montana

[EXHIBIT\(sth25a03\)](#)

00:19:27 Mike O'Connor, Montana Public Employee Retirement Board

[EXHIBIT\(sth25a04\)](#)

00:25:46 Rep. Gary MacLaren left the room.

00:41:44 Tom Schneider, Montana Public Employee Association (MPEA)

00:46:10 Eric Feaver, Montana Education Association & Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

00:48:24 John Forkan, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

00:49:26 Jessie Luther, Association of Montana Retired Public Employees (AMRPE)

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

00:50:21 Sherly Wood, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:55:23 Rep. Gary MacLaren entered the room.

00:58:07 Linda Stoll, Missoula County

#### **Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:01:08 Rep. Bryce Bennett

01:01:48 Mike O'Connor

01:02:09 Rep. Dan Kennedy

01:02:41 Rep. Jerry Bennett

01:03:45 Sherly Wood

01:04:00 Rep. Betsy Hands

01:05:49 Sherly Wood

01:06:50 Rep. Betsy Hands

01:07:07 Sherly Wood

01:07:26 Rep. Pat Connell

01:08:59 Mike O'Connor

01:09:57 Rep. Pat Connell

01:10:31 Rep. Dan Kennedy  
01:11:01 Eric Feaver  
01:11:25 Rep. Dan Kennedy  
01:11:50 Eric Feaver  
01:13:12 Rep. Dan Kennedy  
01:13:24 Eric Feaver  
01:13:45 Rep. Derek Skees  
01:14:04 Mike O'Connor  
01:14:11 Derek Skees  
01:14:17 Mike O'Connor  
01:14:42 Rep. Derek Skees  
01:15:10 Rep. Sue Malek  
01:15:49 Rep. Derek Skees  
01:16:05 Rep. Sue Malek  
01:16:30 Rep. James Knox  
01:17:00 Rep. Sue Malek  
01:18:05 Rep. Pat Ingraham  
01:18:31 Mike O'Connor  
01:18:48 Rep. Franke Wilmer  
01:19:06 Mike O'Connor  
01:19:41 Rep. Franke Wilmer  
01:19:53 Mike O'Connor  
01:20:33 Rep. Ted Washburn  
01:21:32 Rep. Pat Ingraham  
01:22:11 Mike O'Connor  
01:22:58 Rep. Pat Connell

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:23:24 Rep. Sue Malek

**Committee Business:**

01:49:10 Rep. Pat Ingraham  
01:50:05 Robert Stutz, Legislative Branch

**EXHIBIT(sth25a05)**

02:07:30 Rep. Betsy Hands  
02:07:57 Robert Stutz  
02:09:45 Rep. Betsy Hands  
02:10:09 Rep. Pat Ingraham  
02:10:47 Rep. Dan Kennedy  
02:11:27 Robert Stutz  
02:12:48 Rep. Derek Skees  
02:13:59 Robert Stutz  
02:14:37 Rep. Pat Ingraham  
02:14:55 Robert Stutz  
02:17:33 Monica Huyg, State Auditor  
02:18:36 Margie Thomas, Department Administration (DOA)  
02:20:32 Rep. Franke Wilmer

02:24:06	Robert Stutz
02:25:11	Rep. Derek Skees
02:27:29	Robert Stutz
02:27:43	Rep. Derek Skees
02:28:00	Rep. Dan Kennedy
02:28:30	Margie Thomas
02:30:32	Rep. Dan Kennedy
02:30:45	Margie Thomas
02:31:50	Rep. Betsy Hands
02:33:13	Margie Thomas
02:35:43	Rep. Pat Ingraham

**ADJOURNMENT**

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02:40:31

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Tim Stark, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([sth25aad.pdf](#))**