

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Gary MacLaren, on March 3, 2011 at 3:30 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gary MacLaren, Chair (R)
Rep. Michael (Mike) More, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Kris Hansen (R)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kathy Swanson (D), Rep. James Knox (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Sue Malek (D)

Staff Present: Helen Thigpen, Legislative Branch
Phoebe Williams, 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: SB 95, 2/22/2011; SB 108, 2/22/2011; HB 529, 2/22/2011
Executive Action: HB 529, SB 95

HEARING ON SB 95

00:01:33 Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Sen. Jim Shockley (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 95, Revise notary stamp requirements.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:45 Linda Stahl, Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders

00:04:09 Lori Hamm, Secretary of State Office

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:08 Rep. O'Neil

00:05:37 Linda Stahl

Closing by Sponsor:

00:05:47 Sen. Shockley

HEARING ON HB 529

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:07:55 Rep. Wayne Stahl (R), HD 35, opened the hearing on HB 529, Revise certain document fees for mining claims.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:45 Linda Stahl, Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders

00:11:23 Tim Ravndal

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:12:06 Rep. Stahl

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 95

00:12:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **SB 95 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote, with Rep. Knox, Rep. Malek, and Rep. Swanson voting by proxy. Rep. Ingraham will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 529

00:13:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Stahl moved that **HB 529 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote, with Rep. Knox, Rep. Malek, and Rep. Swanson voting by proxy.

00:14:10 Recess
00:16:49 Reconvene

00:17:03 Helena Thigpen
00:19:11 Rep. Hansen
00:19:22 Rep. MacLaren
00:19:38 Rep. Hansen
00:20:26 Rep. MacLaren
00:20:42 Rep. Reinhart
00:21:38 Rep. Rosendale
00:22:27 Rep. MacLaren
00:22:50 Helen Thigpen
00:24:13 Rep. MacLaren

00:25:16 Recess
00:26:39 Reconvene

HEARING ON SB 108**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:27:26 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 108, Revise policy for management of large predators.

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:31:20 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation
00:32:51 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a04\)](#)

00:34:22 Ariel Overstreet, Montana Stockgrowers Association
00:35:13 Dave Skinner, Montanans for Multiple Use
00:36:55 Steve Jennings, Beaverhead Outdoors Association

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(loh48a06\)](#)

00:38:14 Carry White
00:40:19 Tim Ravndal
00:42:10 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:42:55 Quentin Kujala, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks

EXHIBIT(loh48a07)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:45:46 Rep. Skees

00:46:24 Quentin Kujala

00:46:41 Rep. Reinhart

00:46:59 Quentin Kujala

00:47:06 Rep. Reinhart

00:47:11 Quentin Kujala

00:47:38 Rep.Reinhart

00:48:02 Sen. Barrett

EXHIBIT(loh48a08)

00:50:17 Rep. Reinhart

00:50:24 Sen. Barrett

00:50:55 Rep. Reinhart

00:51:10 Sen. Barrett

00:51:33 Rep. Reinhart

00:52:01 Sen. Barrett

00:52:30 Rep Reinhart

00:52:44 Sen. Barrett

00:53:24 Helen Thigpen

00:53:38 Rep. Reinhart

00:53:53 Sen. Barrett

00:54:11 Rep. Skees

00:54:37 Dave Skinner

00:56:07 Rep. Stahl

00:58:12 Rep. MacLaren

00:58:36 Quentin Kujala

00:58:52 Rep. O'Neil

00:59:47 Sen. Barrett

Closing by Sponsor:

01:00:49 Sen. Barrett

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:02:58

Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh48aad.pdf](#))