

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Gordon R. Hendrick, on March 18, 2011 at 3:27 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick, Chair (R)
Rep. Betsy Hands, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Brian Hoven, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett (R)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Alan Hale (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Cleve J. Loney (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)

Staff Present: Lauren Head, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, 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:

Bill Hearing & Date: SB 87, 03/15/2011; SJ 6, 03/15/2011

Executive Action on: SB 100

HEARING ON SB 87**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:20 Sen. Donald Steinbeisser (R), SD 19, opened the hearing on SB 87, Allow principal forgiveness for drinking water and wastewater revolving loans.

00:03:49 Rep. Flynn left the meeting.

00:04:02 Rep. Court joined the meeting.

00:04:16 Rep. Loney joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:59 Todd Teegarden, Chief, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
[EXHIBIT\(nah61a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(nah61a02\)](#)

00:06:44 Rep. Reinhart joined the meeting.

00:07:38 Anna Miller, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

00:08:43 Steve Wade, Montana Rural Water Systems (MRWS)

00:09:52 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:14 Rep. Miller

00:11:42 Mr. Teegarden

00:11:54 Rep. Miller

00:12:09 Mr. Teegarden

00:12:18 Rep. Connell

00:12:56 Mr. Teegarden

00:13:44 Rep. Connell

00:13:55 Mr. Teegarden

00:14:03 Vice Chair Hoven

00:14:25 Mr. Teegarden

00:15:06 Vice Chair Hoven

00:15:11 Mr. Teegarden

00:15:26 Ms. Miller

00:16:04 Vice Chair Hoven

00:16:17 Ms. Miller

00:16:37 Rep. Williams

00:16:59 Mr. Teegarden

00:17:01 Rep. Williams

00:17:07 Mr. Teegarden

00:17:44 Rep. Williams

00:17:59 Mr. Teegarden

00:18:07 Rep. Williams

00:18:18 Mr. Teegarden

00:18:49 Rep. Williams
 00:19:05 Sen Steinbeisser
 00:19:56 Rep. Williams
 00:20:16 Sen. Steinbeisser
 00:20:36 Rep. Hale
 00:21:13 Mr. Teegarden
 00:22:32 Chairman Hendrick
 00:23:07 Mr. Teegarden
 00:23:55 Ms. Miller
EXHIBIT(nah61a03)
 00:25:51 Rep. Bennett left the meeting.
 00:26:22 Rep. Warburton joined the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:11_____ Sen. Steinbeisser

HEARING ON SJ 6**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:28:43 Sen. Alan Olson (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SJ 6, Resolution regarding federal land use policy.

EXHIBIT(nah61a04)**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:33:07 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)
 00:38:24 Chris Puyear, Montana Rural Education Association
 00:39:56 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA), Montana Public Lands Council (MPLC), Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)
 00:40:39 Rep. Flynn left the meeting.
 00:42:27 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)
 00:43:29 Chairman Hendrick left the meeting.
 00:47:32 Don Allen, Western Environmental Trade Association (WETA)
 00:51:11 Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association (MWRA)
 00:51:26 Chairman Hendrick rejoined the meeting.
 00:51:58 Rep. Jeff Welborn, HD 72

Opponents' Testimony:

00:54:26 Mark Good, Montana Wilderness Association (MWA)
 00:54:48 Rep. Hale left the meeting.
 01:01:01 Dyrck Van Hyning, Friends of the Missouri River Breaks Monument
 01:05:55 Janelle Holden, Wilderness Society
 01:09:03 John Todd, self
 01:10:59 Rep. Miller left the meeting.

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:17 Rep. Reinhart
01:12:39 Ms. Holden
01:13:24 Rep. Reinhart
01:13:42 Ms. Holden
01:14:32 Rep. Reinhart
01:14:45 Rep. Hale rejoined the meeting.
01:14:47 Mr. Galt
01:14:58 Rep. Reinhart
01:15:01 Rep. Miller rejoined the meeting.
01:15:03 Mr. Galt
01:15:17 Rep. Reinhart
01:15:23 Mr. Galt
01:15:34 Rep. Reinhart
01:16:06 Mr. Galt
01:17:02 Rep. Reinhart
01:17:20 Mr. Galt
01:21:03 Rep. Barrett
01:21:44 Rep. Reinhart left the meeting.
01:22:02 Ms. Holden
01:23:32 Rep. Barrett
01:23:53 Ms. Holden
01:24:30 Rep. Barrett
01:24:46 Ms. Holden
01:24:55 Rep. Miller
01:25:21 Mr. Galt
01:26:44 Rep. Miller
01:26:56 Mr. Galt
01:27:32 Rep. Williams
01:28:49 Sen. Olson
01:29:29 Rep. Williams
01:29:42 Sen. Olson
01:30:23 Rep. Williams
01:30:33 Sen. Olson
01:30:47 Rep. Warburton
01:31:54 Sen. Olson
01:33:06 Rep. Reinhart rejoined the meeting.
01:34:19 Rep. Warburton
01:34:22 Mr. Galt
01:35:08 Rep. Flynn rejoined the meeting.
01:35:18 Rep. Warburton
01:35:33 Mr. Galt
01:36:34 Rep. Loney
01:36:44 Mr. Galt
01:37:15 Rep. Hands left the meeting.
01:37:39 Rep. Court left the meeting.
01:38:33 Rep. Loney

01:38:48 Mr. Galt
01:40:28 Rep. Barrett
01:41:01 Sen. Olson
01:41:52 Rep. Connell left the meeting.
01:42:14 Rep. Warburton
01:42:37 Mr. Todd
01:42:42 Rep. Warburton
01:42:50 Rep. Court rejoined the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:43:08 Sen. Olson

01:44:03 Rep. Hands rejoined the meeting.
01:48:15 Chairman Hendrick
01:48:46 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
01:48:49 Rep. Connell rejoined the meeting.
01:50:04 Chairman Hendrick
01:50:47 Rep. Connell
01:51:20 Chairman Hendrick
01:51:29 Vice Chair Hoven
01:51:37 Rep. Reinhart
01:51:45 Chairman Hendrick

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 100

01:51:58 **Motion:** Rep. Hoven moved that **SB 100 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:52:04 Mr. Kolman

01:52:43 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 100 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(nah61a05)

Discussion:

01:53:12 Rep. Connell
01:53:25 Mr. Kolman
01:54:08 Rep. Reinhart
01:54:22 Mr. Kolman
01:54:33 Rep. Reinhart
01:55:29 Rep. Connell
01:56:54 Rep. Miller
01:57:20 Mr. Kolman
01:57:43 Rep. Barrett
01:58:42 Rep. Connell
01:58:49 Rep. Miller
01:58:57 Mr. Kolman

01:59:04 Rep. Miller
01:59:14 Mr. Kolman
01:59:30 Rep. Reinhart
02:00:09 Vice Chair Hoven
02:00:29 Chairman Hendrick
02:00:47 Rep. Connell

02:01:07 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Barrett, Rep. Court, Rep. Hands, Rep. Hoven, Rep. Reinhart and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. Harris voted by proxy.

02:02:48 **Motion:** Rep. Hoven moved that **SB 100 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:03:05 Rep. Connell
02:03:58 Rep. Hands
02:04:53 Rep. Miller
02:05:19 Rep. Connell
02:05:43 Rep. Miller
02:05:55 Rep. Reinhart
02:06:52 Rep. Miller
02:07:15 Mr. Kolman
02:08:27 Rep. Miller
02:08:40 Mr. Kolman

02:09:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Barrett, Rep. Court, Rep. Hands and Rep. Reinhart voting no. Rep. Bennett and Rep. Harris voted by proxy. Rep. Osmundson will carry the bill.

02:10:25 Chairman Hendrick
02:10:52 Rep. Williams
02:10:59 Vice Chair Hoven
02:11:07 Rep. Miller
02:11:13 Chairman Hendrick
02:11:28 Rep. Reinhart
02:11:51 Chairman Hendrick

ADJOURNMENT

02:12:55 Adjournment

Lauren Head, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nah61aad.pdf](#))