

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

**Call to Order:** Chairman Ryan Zinke, on January 10, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Ryan Zinke, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Gary Branae (D)  
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)  
Sen. Tom Facey (D)  
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)  
Sen. Bob Lake (R)  
Sen. Frederick "Eric" Moore (R)  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch  
Gilda Clancy, 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 3, 1/5/2011; SB66, 1/5/2011; SB88, 1/5/2011

Presentations: Office of Commission for Higher Education; Montana Board of Education; Office of Public Instruction

00:01:41 Sheila Stearns, Commissioner, Office of Commission for Higher Education  
(OCHE), Montana University Systems  
00:03:09 Tyler Trevor, Associate Commissioner, OCHE  
00:16:01 Sen. Hawks  
00:16:34 Tyler Trevor  
00:17:11 Steve Meloy, Executive Secretary, Montana Board of Education  
00:28:30 Sen. Lake  
00:29:01 Steve Meloy  
00:29:16 Sen. Lake  
00:29:25 Steve Meloy  
00:29:51 Sen. Hawks  
00:30:14 Steve Meloy  
00:31:14 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)  
**EXHIBIT(eds07a01)**  
00:38:39 Chairman Zinke  
00:39:18 Break

### **HEARING ON SB 3**

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

00:46:46 Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SB 3, Require state agencies to report on heritage properties.

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

00:53:21 Chere Jiusto, Executive Director, Montana Preservation Alliance  
**EXHIBIT(eds07a02)**  
01:01:44 Patty Dean, Montana Preservation Alliance  
**EXHIBIT(eds07a03)**  
01:06:59 Charles Van Genderen, State Parks Administrator for Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)  
**EXHIBIT(eds07a04)**  
01:08:01 Stuart Doggett, Montana Lodging & Hospitality Association  
01:09:03 Sheila Stearns, OCHE  
01:10:26 Lasley Gillmore, Representing Self  
01:12:16 John Barrows, Executive Director, Montana Newspaper Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None.

#### **Informational Testimony:**

01:13:14 Joe Triem, Architectural & Engineering Division, Department of Administration (DOA)  
01:13:51 Kevin Chappell, Bureau Chief, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)  
01:14:26 Mark Baumler, Montana Historical Society

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:15:20 Sen. Lake  
01:16:01 Sen. Hawks  
01:17:40 Sen. Lake  
01:17:59 Sen. Hawks  
01:18:32 Sen. Lake  
01:18:49 Sen Hawks  
01:19:49 Sen. Brown  
01:19:56 Chere Jiusto  
01:20:14 Sen. Brown  
01:20:25 Chere Jiusto  
01:21:04 Sen. Brown  
01:21:12 Chere Jiusto  
01:21:37 Sen. Brown  
01:21:51 Chere Jiusto  
01:22:44 Sen. Brown  
01:23:15 Chere Jiusto  
01:23:33 Sen. Hawks  
01:24:26 Sen. Brown  
01:24:50 Sen. Hawks

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:25:22 Sen. Hawks

**HEARING ON SB 66**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:26:53 Sen. Bob Lake (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 66, Revise laws governing establishment of community college districts.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:30:46 Sheila Stearns, Commissioner (OCHE)  
01:34:20 Cathy Swift, Legal Council, Montana University System  
01:37:55 Marco Ferro, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:38:49 Dan Villa, Governor's Education Advisor

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:41:25 Sen. Facey  
01:41:36 Sen. Lake

01:41:45 Sen. Facey  
01:42:21 Sen. Lake  
01:43:12 Sen. Facey  
01:43:35 Sen. Moore  
01:43:49 Sen. Lake  
01:44:09 Chairman Zinke  
01:45:41 Sheila Stearns

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:49:01 Sen. Lake

**HEARING ON SB 88**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:49:56 Sen. Tom Facey (D), SD 48, opened the hearing on SB 88, Increase professional stipends for certified teachers.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:52:50 Marco Ferro, MEA-MFT  
01:58:37 Shannin Preshinger, CR Anderson Teacher, Helena, MT, MEA-MFT  
02:04:36 Kelly Elder, CR Anderson Teacher, Helena, MT, MEA-MFT  
02:08:17 Shannon, Callahan, Montessori Teacher, Helena, MT  
02:12:13 Darrell Rud, Executive Director, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)  
02:13:40 Madalyn Quinlan, OPI

**EXHIBIT(eds07a05)**

02:16:05 Mark Lambrecht, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

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

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:17:12 Sen. Facey

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 5:17 P.M.

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Gilda Clancy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([eds07aad.pdf](#))