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MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Jim Shockley, on January 14, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chair (R)
Sen. Ron Arthun, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 33, 1/4/2011; SB 48, 1/6/2011; SB 53, 1/4/2011; SB 69,
1/6/2011

HEARING ON SB 69

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:18 Sen. David Wanzenried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 69, Name the first floor east wing of the Capitol Building after Francis Bardanouve.

[EXHIBIT\(sts11a01\)](#)

00:04:45 Chairman Shockley left the hearing

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:28 Tom Beck, Former Legislator

00:10:44 Rep. Jesse O'Hara, HD 18

00:12:11 Rep. Carolyn Squires, HD 96

00:15:14 Pat Keim, Lobbyist

[EXHIBIT\(sts11a02\)](#)

00:19:32 Ray Peck, Former Legislator

00:25:45 Russ Ritter, Lobbyist

00:28:04 Aart Dolman, Former Professor of History and Social Sciences, Northern Montana College

00:29:59 John Bohlinger, Lieutenant Governor

00:32:09 Sen. Windy Boy

Opponents' Testimony:

00:33:15 Cindy Swank

[EXHIBIT\(sts11a03\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

00:35:27 Gretchen Bingman, Department of Administration (DOA)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:36:02 Sen. Balyeat

00:36:32 Sen. Wanzenried

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:27 Sen. Wanzenried

[EXHIBIT\(sts11a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sts11a05\)](#)

HEARING ON SB 33**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:42:43 Sen. David Wanzenried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 33, Allow electronic voter registration for qualified electors w/valid drivers' lic.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:45:24 Linda McCulloch, Montana Secretary of State
[EXHIBIT\(sts11a06\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(sts11a07\)](#)
00:51:40 Joy Bruck, President, AARP Montana
00:52:40 Niki Zupanic, ACLU of Montana
00:53:00 Ross Properi, Montana Conservation Voter
00:53:41 Jeffrey Edmonds, Student, University of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

00:54:49 Roger Nummerdor, Election Judge
[EXHIBIT\(sts11a08\)](#)
00:56:35 Cindy Swank
[EXHIBIT\(sts11a09\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:00:34 Sen. Balyeat
01:02:57 Linda McCulloch
01:05:22 Sen. Balyeat
01:05:42 Linda McCulloch
01:06:10 Sen. Balyeat
01:07:07 Linda McCulloch
01:07:50 Sen. Windy Boy
01:08:15 Linda McCulloch
01:08:36 Sen. Windy Boy
01:09:06 Linda McCulloch
01:10:33 Sen. Windy Boy
01:10:58 Linda McCulloch
01:11:18 Sen. Windy Boy
01:11:40 Sen. Wanzenried
01:12:06 Rachel Weiss
01:13:18 Sen. Windy Boy
01:13:33 Linda McCulloch
01:14:21 Sen. Balyeat
01:15:08 Linda McCulloch
01:16:22 Sen. Balyeat
01:17:03 Linda McCulloch

01:17:51 Sen. Windy Boy
01:18:48 Linda McCulloch
01:18:52 Sen. Windy Boy
01:19:50 Sen. Shockley entered the hearing
01:20:03 Linda McCulloch
01:20:18 Vice Chairman Arthun
01:20:29 Sen. Wanzenried
01:20:40 Vice Chairman Arthun
01:20:44 Linda McCulloch

Closing by Sponsor:

01:21:58 Sen. Wanzenried

HEARING ON SB 48

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:25:21 Sen. Gary Banae (D), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 48, Allow special elections to fill vacancies in US Senate.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:30:52 Linda McCulloch
[EXHIBIT\(sts11a10\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:33:40 Sen. Balyeat
01:34:47 Linda McCulloch
01:35:48 Sen. Balyeat
01:36:41 Linda McCulloch
01:37:25 Sen. Balyeat
01:37:43 Linda McCulloch
01:38:04 Sen. Balyeat
01:38:17 Linda McCulloch
01:38:21 Sen. Balyeat
01:38:43 Linda McCulloch
01:38:57 Sen. Balyeat
01:39:24 Linda McCulloch

Closing by Sponsor:

01:40:10 Sen. Gary Banae

HEARING ON SB 53

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:41:15 Sen. Joe Balyeat (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 53, Amend MAPA to change required language of an e-notice of proposed rule.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:42:42 Linda McCulloch
01:43:24 John North, Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
01:44:42 Bernie Jacobs, Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
01:47:55 Riley Johnson, Montana Newspaper Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:48:29 Chairman Shockley
01:48:44 Linda McCulloch
01:48:49 Chairman Shockley
01:48:58 Linda McCulloch
01:49:06 Chairman Shockley

Closing by Sponsor:

01:49:13 Sen. Balyeat

DISCUSSION ON SB 48:

01:49:32 Linda McCulloch
01:49:46 Chairman Shockley
01:49:56 Sen. Balyeat

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:50 P.M.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sts11aad.pdf](#))