

MINUTES

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

Call to Order: Chair Jim Shockley, on February 7, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jim Shockley, Chairman (R)
Sen. Ron Arthun, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Carmine Mowbray (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)

Members Absent: None

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

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 229, 2/2/2011; SB 247, 2/2/2011

Executive Action: SB 247, Do Pass; SB 188; SB 54, Be Amended

HEARING ON SB 247

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:32 Sen. Lynda Moss (D), SD 26, opened the hearing on SB 247, Clarify appointment of Montana Poet Laureate.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:01:59 Sen. Balyeat
00:02:15 Sen. Moss
00:02:27 Sen. Arthun
00:02:33 Sen. Moss

Closing by Sponsor:

00:03:06 Sen. Moss

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 247

00:03:32 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 247 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Jent and Sen. Jones voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 188

00:04:14 **Motion:** Sen. Blewett moved that **SB 188 BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE**.

Discussion:

00:04:49 Sen. Blewett
00:05:57 Chairman Shockley
00:06:02 Sen. Blewett
00:06:23 Sen. Balyeat
00:06:30 Chairman Shockley
00:06:35 Sen. Jent entered the hearing.

00:06:41 **Motion:** Sen. Blewett **WITHDREW THE MOTION THAT SB 188 BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE**.

EXHIBIT(sts30a01)

HEARING ON SB 229

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:07:57 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 229, Revise laws relating to state-tribal coop agreements act and PERS.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:36 John Metropoulos, representing Flathead Joint Board of Control

00:15:01 Annie Glover, The Confederated Salish-Kootenai Tribes

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:15:37 Melanie Symons, Montana Public Employees' Retirement Board (PERA)

[EXHIBIT\(sts30a02\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:04 Sen. Windy Boy
00:21:34 Sen. Sonju
00:21:58 Chairman Shockley
00:22:00 Sen. Sonju
00:22:35 Sen. Balyeat
00:23:56 Sen. Windy Boy left the hearing
00:25:25 Melanie Symons, PERA
00:26:05 Sen. Balyeat
00:33:39 John Metropoulos
00:34:43 Chairman Shockley
00:35:02 John Metropoulos
00:35:12 Melanie Symons
00:35:45 Chairman Shockley
00:35:54 Melanie Symons
00:37:21 Chairman Shockley
00:37:48 John Metropoulos
00:38:33 Chiarmen Shockley
00:38:39 John Metropoulos
00:38:46 Chairman Shockley
00:39:00 Sen. Balyeat
00:39:20 Melanie Symons
00:39:26 Sen. Balyeat

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:43 Sen. Sonju

DISCUSSION ON SB 188

00:40:00 Sen. Blewett
00:40:19 Sen. Balyeat
00:41:00 Chairman Shockley
00:41:30 Sen. Blewett left the hearing

DISCUSSION ON SB 56

00:41:45 Sen. Jent
00:41:52 Chairman Shockley
00:42:00 Sen. Jent

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 54

00:42:14 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **SB 54 DO PASS.**

00:43:40 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **SB 54 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(sts30a03)

Discussion:

00:43:52 Rachel Weiss, (LSD)
00:46:36 Sen. Balyeat
00:51:59 Sen. Mowbray
00:52:17 Sen. Balyeat
00:53:41 Chairman Shockley
00:53:54 Sen. Balyeat
00:54:12 Sen. Arthun
00:54:30 Sen. Balyeat
00:59:48 Chairman Shockley
00:59:54 Sen. Arthun
01:00:05 Sen. Balyeat
01:00:21 Sen. Jent
01:01:33 Sen. Balyeat
01:02:15 Sen. Jent
01:03:00 David Senn, Executive Director, State Teachers' Retirement System (TRS)
01:03:43 Sen. Balyeat
01:04:18 David Senn, TRS
01:04:37 Rachel Weiss
01:05:11 Chairman Shockley
01:05:45 David Senn
01:08:30 Chairman Shockley
01:08:39 David Senn
01:09:29 Sen. Balyeat
01:09:39 Sen. Mowbray
01:09:59 Sen. Balyeat
01:10:36 Sen. Jent

01:11:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blewett, Sen. Jones and Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

01:12:29 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat moved that **SB 54 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:12:31 Chairman Shockley
 01:13:08 Sen. Balyeat
 01:14:52 Chairman Shockley
 01:15:16 Sen. Jent
 01:15:25 Chairman Shockley
 01:15:34 Sen. Jent
 01:16:01 Sen. Balyeat
 01:17:13 Rachel Weiss
 01:17:29 Chairman Shockley
 01:18:05 Sen. Balyeat

01:18:12 **Motion:** Sen. Balyeat **WITHDREW THE MOTION THAT SB 54 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

DISCUSSION ON SB 54 and SB 56

01:18:47 Chairman Shockley
 01:18:59 David Senn
 01:19:21 Chairman Shockley

DISCUSSION ON DRAFTING COMMITTEE BILL

01:19:53 Paul Christofferson, Department of Administration (DOA)
 01:20:17 Chairman Shockley
 01:20:21 Rachel Weiss
 01:20:27 Chairman Shockley
 01:20:48 Paul Christofferson
 01:21:30 Chairman Shockley
 01:22:10 Paul Christofferson
 01:22:36 Chairman Shockley
 01:23:10 Sen. Balyeat
 01:23:15 Chairman Shockley

01:24:45 **Motion:** Sen. Jent **MOVED THAT A COMMITTEE BILL BE DRAFTED** to solve the lag time problem with stale state warrants and abandoned property notices.

Discussion:

01:25:07 Chairman Shockley
 01:25:15 Rachel Weiss

01:25:42 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blewett, Sen. Jones and Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sts30aad.pdf](#))