

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Jon Sonju, on April 19, 2011 at 4:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jon Sonju, Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Lynda Moss (D)
Sen. Alan Olson (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)
Sen. Art Wittich, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary
Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 38, 4/19/2011; HJ 39, 4/19/2011

Executive Action: HJ 39 ~ Be Concurred In

HEARING ON HJ 38

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:06 Rep. Gary MacLaren on behalf of Rep. Kris Hansen (R), HD 33, opened the hearing on HJ 38, Interim study of local fire protection, firefighters, and EMTs.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:06 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:04:28 Joseph Sands, Montana State Council of Professional Firefighters (MSCOPFF)

00:05:37 Doug Neil, Montana State Fire Association (MSFA)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:11 Sen. Gallus

00:08:02 Rep. MacLaren

00:08:35 Sen. Olson

00:09:18 Chairman Sonju

Closing by Sponsor:

Remainder of hearing postponed due to objection from committee member regarding the lack of written authorization for Rep. Gary MacLaren to open on HJ 38 for Rep. Kris Hansen.

HEARING ON HJ 39

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:43 Rep. Gary MacLaren (R), HD 89, opened the hearing on HJ 39, Interim study of subdivision rent or lease exemption.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:20 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, MACo, also speaking on behalf of Linda Stoll on Montana Association of Planners

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:11:56 Rep. MacLaren

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 39

(Senators Wittich, Augare, Olson, and Vuckovich are excused)

00:12:16 **Motion:** Sen. Buttrey moved that **HJ 39 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:12:29 Sen. Tutvedt

00:12:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-0 by voice vote of members present and voting. Sen. Tutvedt will carry the bill.

Discussion:

00:13:18 Chairman Sonju

00:13:37 Sen. Gallus

00:13:52 Chairman Sonju

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:15 P.M.

Debra Polhemus, Secretary

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