

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**Call to Order:** Chair Lee Randall, on January 15, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Lee Randall, Chair (R)  
Rep. Christy Clark, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Williams, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)  
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)  
Rep. David Halvorson (R)  
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)  
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)  
Rep. Mike Lang (R)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)  
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** McKenzie Chambers, 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:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 189, 1/9/201  
HB 114 - Do Pass As Amended  
HB 115 - Do Pass As Amended

**HEARING ON HB 189****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:15:01 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 50, opened the hearing on HB 189, Revise hail insurance maximum.

[EXHIBIT\(agh07a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(agh07a02\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:18:08 Charlie Bumgarner, Montana Grain Growers Association, (MGGA)

00:18:33 Rep. MacDonald joined the meeting.

00:21:04 Ryan McCormick, President, MGGA

**Opponents' Testimony:** None**Informational Testimony:**

00:23:37 Lee Boyer, Rural Development Bureau Chief, Department of Agriculture (AGR)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:23:57 Rep. MacDonald

00:24:21 Ryan McCormick, MGGA

00:25:09 Rep. Kerns

00:25:50 Lee Boyer, AGR

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:26:52 Rep. Lenz

00:29:08 Jeff Jacobsen, Dean, College of Agriculture-Montana State University (MSU) and Director, Montana Agricultural Experiment Station, MSU

[EXHIBIT\(agh07a03\)](#)

00:34:00 Rep. Randall

00:34:21 Jeff Jacobsen, MSU

00:35:37 Rep. Randall

00:35:52 Jeff Jacobsen, MSU

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 114**

00:37:03 **Motion:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 114 DO PASS.**

00:37:53 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 114 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(agh07a04\)](#)

00:38:33 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 114 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 115**

00:39:08      **Motion:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 115 DO PASS.**

00:39:48      **Motion:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 115 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(agh07a05)**

**Discussion:**

00:40:01      Rep. Williams

00:40:20      Rep. Clark

00:41:14      Rep. Williams

00:41:18      Joe Kolman, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:42:42      Rep. Williams

00:43:08      **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:43:19      **Motion:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 115 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(agh07a06)**

**Discussion:**

00:44:09      Rep. Randall

00:44:28      **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:44:37      **Motion:** Rep. Clark moved that **HB 115 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

00:44:46      Rep. Lang

00:44:55      Rep. Kerns

00:45:13      **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:45:33      Rep. Randall

00:45:53      Rep. Hertz

**EXHIBIT(agh07a07)**

**EXHIBIT(agh07a08)**

00:48:14      Rep. Randall

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:49:24

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McKenzie Chambers, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([agh07aad.pdf](#))**