

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Kris Hansen, on February 8, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kris Hansen, Chair (R)
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Douglas Coffin (D)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Clarena Brockie (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. David Halvorson (R)
Rep. Jonathan McNiven (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Laura Sankey, Legislative Branch
Marissa Stockton, 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: HB 317, 2/4/2013 HB 318, 2/4/2013
Executive Action: HB 317, HB 318

00:15:34 Rep. Blyton

HEARING ON HB 318

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:22 Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D), HD 26, opened the hearing on HB 318, Eliminate local executive boards for university campuses.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:55 Rep. Bennett

00:22:10 Rep. Blyton

00:22:27 Rep. Mehlhoff

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:56 Rep. Mehlhoff

HEARING ON HB 317

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:24:41 Rep. Chuck Hunter (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 317, Revise university system laws related to credit and military services.

[EXHIBIT\(edh28a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:16 Dan Antonietti, Veterans of Foreign Wars, VFW

00:29:49 Ron Muffick, Director of Financial Services, Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:31:02 Rep. Coffin

00:31:20 Ron Muffick, OCHE

00:32:56 Rep. Coffin

00:34:02 Ron Muffick, OCHE

00:34:58 Rep. Salomon

00:35:20 Ron Muffick, OCHE

00:35:52 Rep. McNiven

00:36:29 Rep. Hunter

00:36:47 Rep. McNiven

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:03 Rep. Hunter

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 317

00:38:30 **Motion:** Rep. Hansen moved that **HB 317 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:38:45 Rep. Coffin
00:40:54 Rep. Schwaderer
00:41:32 Rep. McClafferty
00:41:54 Rep. Wilmer

00:42:46 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Blasdel, Rep. Brockie and Rep. Greef voted by proxy.

00:43:15 Rep. Hunter

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 318

00:43:35 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hansen moved that **HB 318 DO PASS.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Blasdel, Rep. Brockie and Rep. Greef voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:44:33

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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