

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Kris Hansen, on February 11, 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. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Clarena Brockie (D)
Rep. Douglas Coffin (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. David Halvorson (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Jonathan McNiven (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)

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 390, 2/6/2013; HB 357, 2/4/2013

00:06:49 Rep. Blyton

HEARING ON HB 357

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:07:31 Rep. Kris Hansen (R), HD 33, opened the hearing on HB 357, Generally revise school laws creating an education savings account.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:12:49 Pat Wagman, Montana Family Foundation (MFF)

EXHIBIT(edh30a01)

00:25:06 Rep. McClafferty

00:25:29 Pat Wagman, MFF

00:26:23 Susan Duczec, Self

EXHIBIT(edh30a02)

00:31:45 Nathan Russell, Self

00:34:22 Lisa Russell, Self

00:36:18 Henry Kriegel, Americans for Prosperity (AFP)

00:41:12 Tonya Shellnutt, Self

00:45:48 Ronalee Skees, Self

00:50:17 Moe Wosepka, Executive Director, Montana Catholic Conference

00:53:51 Becky Stockton, Self

00:55:31 Jackie Duczec, Self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:58:12 Jim Molloy, Governor's Office

01:01:30 Dennis Parman, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

EXHIBIT(edh30a03)

EXHIBIT(edh30a04)

01:17:02 Kirk Miller, School Administers of Montana (SAM)

01:33:05 Marco Ferro, Montana Education Association -Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

01:35:06 Debra Silk, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:37:44 Rep. Coffin

01:38:39 Moe Wosepka, Montana Catholic Conference

01:38:48 Rep. Coffin

01:39:05 Moe Wosepka, Montana Catholic Conference

01:39:12 Rep. Coffin

01:39:42 Moe Wosepka, Montana Catholic Conference

01:40:26 Rep. Hertz

01:41:08 Dennis Parman, OPI

01:41:15 Rep. Hertz

01:42:47 Dennis Parman, OPI

01:44:55 Rep. Hertz

01:45:29 Dennis Parman, OPI

01:46:54 Rep. Hertz

01:47:12	Rep. Schreiner
01:47:44	Rep. Hansen
01:51:53	Rep. Bennett
01:52:42	Rep. Hansen
01:53:49	Rep. Bennett
01:54:11	Rep. Hansen
01:54:57	Rep. Bennett
01:55:11	Rep. Hansen
01:55:17	Rep. Coffin
01:55:50	Rep. Hansen
01:55:55	Rep. Coffin
01:57:40	Rep. Hansen
01:59:36	Rep. Brockie
02:00:08	Rep. Hansen
02:00:37	Rep. Salomon
02:01:51	Dennis Parman, OPI
02:02:43	Rep. Salomon
02:03:11	Dennis Parman, OPI
02:04:15	Rep. McNiven
02:04:33	Dennis Parman, OPI
02:04:56	Rep. Wilmer
02:05:57	Rep. Hansen
02:06:12	Rep. Wilmer
02:06:23	Rep. Hansen
02:09:54	Rep. Wilmer
02:10:05	Rep. Hansen
02:10:15	Rep. Wilmer
02:10:42	Pat Wagman, MFF
02:11:45	Rep. Wilmer
02:12:04	Pat Wagman, MFF
02:14:55	Rep. Wilmer
02:15:21	Ronalee Skees
02:16:29	Rep. Washburn
02:17:09	Dennis Parman, OPI
02:17:17	Rep. Washburn
02:17:30	Dennis Parman, OPI
02:17:59	Rep. Washburn
02:18:17	Dennis Parman, OPI

Closing by Sponsor:

02:18:28	Rep. Hansen
02:24:36	Rep. Blyton
02:24:56	Rep. Hertz

HEARING ON HB 390**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:32:54 Rep. Jonathan McNiven (R), HD 44, opened the hearing on HB 390, Provide special education scholarships.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:37:06 Pat Wagman, MFF
02:39:57 Tonya Shellnutt, Self
02:42:09 Henry Kriegel, AFP
02:43:16 Don Hart, Self

Opponents' Testimony:

02:45:22 Debra Silk, MTSBA
02:47:11 Dennis Parman, OPI
02:58:34 Marco Ferro, MEA-MFT
03:00:25 Kirk Miller, SAM
03:04:05 Jim Smith, MREA

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

03:05:41 Rep. Bennett
03:05:48 Rep. McNiven
03:05:55 Rep. Bennett
03:07:04 Rep. McNiven
03:08:40 Rep. Wilmer
03:09:20 Rep. McNiven
03:10:00 Rep. Wilmer
03:10:30 Rep. McNiven

Closing by Sponsor:

03:11:25 Rep. McNiven

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:12:14

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh30aad.pdf](#))