

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Miller, on February 18, 2013 at 9:30 A.M., in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Miller, Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Douglas Coffin (D)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Kris Hansen (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Megan Moore, Legislative Branch
Rebecca Shaw, 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 443, 2/12/2013; HB 444, 2/12/2013

HEARING ON HB 443**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:13:48 Rep. Rob Cook (R), HD 27, opened the hearing on HB 443, Revise termination and authorization of tax increment financing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:31 Rep. Roy Hollandsworth

00:16:35 Rep. Hansen, Rep. Knudsen and Rep. Zolnikov entered.

Opponents' Testimony:

00:17:00 Julie Foster, Executive Director, Ravalli County Economic Development Authority (RCEDA)

EXHIBIT(tah36a01)

00:20:45 Ellen Buchanan, Director, Missoula Redevelopment Agency (MRA)

00:25:29 Tara Mastel, Manager, Jefferson Local Development Corporation (JLDC)

EXHIBIT(tah36a02)

00:28:31 Kristen Rosa, Administrator, Tax Increment Financing Industrial District (TIFID) and Butte Silver Bow Consolidated City-County Government

00:30:17 Linda Stahl, Missoula County

00:32:59 Aaron Rudio, Vice President, Public Finance, DA Davidson Company

00:34:37 Karen Burns, Director, Butte Silver Bow City-County Economic Development (BSB)

00:37:13 Alec Hansen, Executive Director, League of Cities and Towns

00:41:56 Ed Bartlett, Attorney, Billings Area Chamber of Commerce and City of Billings

00:43:53 Kate Cholewa, City of Missoula

00:45:25 Jim Smith, Montana Association of Planners (MAP)

EXHIBIT(tah36a03)

00:46:46 Greg Chilcott, President, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Informational Testimony:

00:48:52 Ed Caplis, Director of Tax Policy and Research, Department of Revenue (DOR)

EXHIBIT(tah36a04)**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:51:58 Rep. Coffin

00:52:55 Rep. Cook

00:53:47 Rep. Coffin

00:54:00 Rep. Cook

00:55:02 Rep. Coffin

00:55:34 Rep. Cook

00:55:48 Rep. Pomnichowski

00:56:08 Rep. Cook

00:56:49 Rep. Williams

00:57:31 Aaron Rudio, DA Davidson

00:58:25 Rep. Williams

00:59:03 Ellen Buchanan, MRA

01:00:05 Rep. Williams

01:01:19 Karen Burns, BSB

01:02:10 Rep. Williams
01:02:56 Karen Burns, BSB
01:03:15 Rep. Lieser
01:03:47 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:04:16 Rep. Lieser
01:04:21 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:04:42 Rep. Lieser
01:05:00 Karen Burns, BSB
01:05:40 Rep. Hoven
01:06:51 Rep. Cook
01:08:20 Rep. Wilson
01:08:57 Ellen Buchanan, MRA
01:10:33 Chair Miller
01:10:43 Ellen Buchanan, MRA
01:10:50 Rep. Flynn
01:11:13 Ellen Buchanan, MRA
01:11:44 Rep. Flynn
01:12:13 Alec Hansen, League of Cities and Towns
01:14:01 Rep. Hansen
01:16:06 Karen Burns, BSB
01:18:29 Rep. Hoven
01:18:58 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:19:16 Rep. Hoven
01:19:39 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:19:54 Rep. Hoven
01:20:01 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:20:13 Rep. Coffin
01:20:47 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:21:20 Rep. Coffin
01:21:30 Ed Caplis, DOR
01:22:27 Rep. McNally
01:23:01 Rep. Cook
01:23:51 Rep. Hansen
01:24:01 Rep. Cook
01:24:32 Chair Miller
01:24:54 Aaron Rudio, DA Davidson
01:25:32 Chair Miller
01:25:43 Karen Burns, BSB
01:26:08 Chair Miller
01:26:13 Karen Burns, BSB

Closing by Sponsor:

01:26:34 Rep. Cook

[EXHIBIT\(tah36a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tah36a06\)](#)

01:28:35 Recessed

01:41:37 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 444**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:41:59 Rep. Tom Jacobson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 444, Provide tax credit for access to state lands.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:53:19 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation and President, Russell Country Sportsman Association

01:54:42 Joe Perry, Montana Sportsmen Alliance

EXHIBIT(tah36a07)

01:56:34 Jay Bodner, Director of Natural Resources, Montana Stockgrowers Association

01:57:56 Jacob Cowgill, Montana Farmers Union

01:58:26 Rep. Flynn

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

01:59:28 Paul Sihler, Administrator, Field Services Division, Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(tah36a08)

02:00:35 Kevin Chappell, Bureau Chief, Agriculture and Grazing Management, Department of Natural Resources (DNRC)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:00:59 Rep. Hoven

02:02:04 Rep. Jacobson

02:02:54 Rep. White

02:03:24 Rep. Jacobson

02:03:32 Rep. White

02:05:04 Rep. Jacobson

02:06:19 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:06:53 Rep. White

02:07:57 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:10:09 Rep. White

02:11:00 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:12:00 Rep. Hansen

02:12:56 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:14:16 Rep. Hansen

02:14:23 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:15:06 Rep. Hansen

02:15:33 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:15:52 Kevin Chappell, DNRC

02:16:30 Rep. Redfield

02:17:06 Paul Sihler, FWP

02:17:38 Rep. Redfield

02:17:50 Rep. Hansen

02:18:23 Rep. Jacobson

02:18:30 Chair Miller

02:19:11 Rep. Jacobson
02:19:35 Rep. Hoven
02:20:01 Rep. Jacobson
02:20:42 Rep. Schwaderer
02:21:12 Rep. Jacobson

Closing by Sponsor:

02:21:22 Rep. Jacobson

02:22:00 Chair Miller

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:22:45

Rebecca Shaw, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah36aad.pdf](#))