

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Pat Ingraham, on February 19, 2013 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Pat Ingraham, Chair (R)  
Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Ted Washburn, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)  
Rep. Joanne G. Blyton (R)  
Rep. Clarena Brockie (D)  
Rep. Forrestina (Frosty) Calf Boss Ribs (D)  
Rep. Pat Connell (R)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)  
Rep. Doug Kary (R)  
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)  
Rep. Jean Price (D)  
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. David Howard (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)  
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Patty Hartman, Committee Secretary  
Sheri Scurr, 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 436, 2/13/2013; HB 445, 2/13/2013; HB 470, 2/15/2013

00:16:02 Rep. Howard arrived. Rep. Harris left the room.

### **HEARING ON HB 470**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:16:21 Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), HD 20, opened the hearing on HB 470, Revise attribution requirements for political advertising.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

00:19:23 Daniel Cox, Self

00:20:33 Jan Wisniewski, Self

#### **Opponents' Testimony:** None

#### **Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:21:57 Rep. B. Bennett

00:22:42 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:23:31 Rep. B. Bennett

00:24:14 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:24:59 Rep. Price

00:25:46 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:26:48 Rep. O'Hara

00:27:40 Rep. Hertz

00:27:55 Mary Baker, Program Supervisor, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

00:28:42 Rep. Hertz

00:29:02 Mary Baker, COPP

00:29:57 Rep. Hertz

00:30:36 Mary Baker, COPP

00:31:15 Rep. Howard

00:31:41 Mary Baker, COPP

00:31:48 Rep. Howard

00:31:58 Mary Baker, COPP

00:32:03 Rep. Howard

00:32:06 Mary Baker, COPP

00:32:16 Rep. Howard

00:32:35 Mary Baker, COPP

00:32:59 Rep. Howard

00:33:12 Mary Baker, COPP

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

00:33:37 Rep. Fitzpatrick

### **HEARING ON HB 445**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:34:45 Rep. Scott Reichner (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 445, Allowing abbreviated form of certified ballot.

00:36:48 Rep. Blyton left the room.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:37:32 Linda Stoll, Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders and Elections Administrators (MACR)

00:41:00 Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State (SOS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a02\)](#)

00:43:28 Rep. Howard left the room.

00:43:36 Maureen Connor, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:44:13 Dan Cox, Self

00:46:11 Jan Wisniewski, Self

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:49:34 Rep. Price

00:50:08 Linda McCulloch, SOS

00:50:27 Rep. Hertz

00:50:40 Linda McCulloch, SOS

00:50:54 Rep. Hertz

00:51:11 Linda McCulloch, SOS

00:51:27 Rep. Connell

00:52:07 Linda MCCulloch, SOS

00:52:24 Rep. Connell

00:52:43 Linda MCCulloch, SOS

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:53:00 Rep. Reichner

**HEARING ON HB 436****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:53:52 Rep. Scott Reichner (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 436, Providing top two primary in certain elections.

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a03\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:59:49 Sen. Scott Sales

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:04:01 Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State (SOS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a06\)](#)

01:09:18 Dan Cox, Self

01:12:46 Mike Fellows, Montana Libertarian Party (MTLP)

01:16:15 Joan Vetter Ehrenberg, Self

01:18:40 Rep. Wilmer left the room.

01:20:36 Jan Wisniewski, Self

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:21:54 Rep. Connell  
01:22:47 Rep. Reichner  
01:24:03 Rep. O'Hara  
01:24:27 Rep. Reichner  
01:25:32 Rep. Washburn  
01:26:16 Rep. Reichner  
01:26:39 Rep. B. Bennett  
01:27:11 Linda McCulloch, SOS  
01:27:35 Rep. B. Bennett  
01:28:20 Rep. Reichner  
01:30:28 Rep. Schreiner  
01:31:11 Rep. Reichner  
01:31:36 Rep. Schreiner  
01:31:44 Rep. Reichner  
01:32:20 Rep. Schreiner  
01:33:20 Linda Stoll, Montana Association of Clerks and Records and Elections  
Administrators (MACR)  
01:34:05 Rep. Price  
01:35:03 Rep. Reichner  
01:35:35 Rep. Price  
01:35:40 Rep. Reichner  
01:35:58 Rep. Price  
01:36:07 Rep. Reichner  
01:36:24 Rep. Hertz  
01:37:13 Mike Fellows, MTLP  
01:37:44 Rep. Hertz  
01:38:15 Linda McCulloch, SOS  
01:38:37 Rep. Hertz  
01:39:03 Rep. Reichner  
01:39:40 Rep. Hertz  
01:40:09 Rep. Reichner  
01:40:50 Rep. Blyton entered the room.  
01:41:24 Rep. Connell  
01:41:55 Rep. Reichner  
01:42:18 Rep. Swanson entered the room.  
01:42:42 Rep. B. Bennett  
01:43:11 Linda McCulloch, SOS  
01:43:17 Rep. Price  
01:44:05 Linda McCulloch, SOS  
01:44:19 Rep. Price  
01:44:42 Linda McCulloch, SOS  
01:44:53 Rep. Ingraham  
01:45:44 Rep. Reichner  
01:45:56 Rep. Ingraham  
01:46:32 Rep. Reichner

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:46:46 Rep. Reichner

**Discussion:**

01:48:30 Rep. Ingraham

[EXHIBIT\(sth37a07\)](#)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:50:48

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Patty Hartman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([sth37aad.pdf](#))**