

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Miller, on February 20, 2013 at 8:00 AM, 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. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)
Rep. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kris Hansen (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (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 373, 2/13/2013; HB 408, 2/13/2013

00:14:00 Chair Miller
00:14:37 Rep. Schwaderer entered.

HEARING ON HB 373

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:14:50 Rep. Scott Reichner (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 373, Revise property tax laws.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:16:20 Jim Standaert, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

EXHIBIT(tah38a01)

00:16:58 Rep. Hansen entered.

00:22:11 Jerome Patton, Economist, Tax Policy and Research, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:22:36 Rep. Pomnichowski
00:22:44 Rep. Knudsen entered.
00:23:22 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:24:06 Rep. Pomnichowski
00:25:14 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:25:32 Rep. Coffin
00:25:55 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:26:25 Rep. Coffin
00:26:29 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:27:00 Rep. Williams
00:27:25 Jerome Patton, DOR
00:28:50 Rep. Williams
00:28:55 Jerome Patton, DOR
00:29:21 Rep. Williams
00:29:27 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:30:52 Rep. Hoven
00:30:57 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:31:43 Rep. Pomnichowski
00:31:51 Jim Standaert, LFD
00:32:27 Rep. Jacobson
00:32:37 Rep. Reichner
00:33:50 Chair Miller
00:33:57 Jim Standaert, LFD

Closing by Sponsor:

00:34:32 Rep. Reichner

HEARING ON HB 408**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:35:38 Rep. Mike Miller (R), HD 84, opened the hearing on HB 408, Revise tax rate laws on mandated pollution control equipment.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:44 Nancy Schlepp, President, Montana Taxpayers Association
00:40:41 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)
00:41:48 Tom Ebzery, Attorney, Puget Sound Energy, Avista Corp. and Portland General Electric
00:45:55 Ron Devlin, Northwestern Energy
00:47:34 Aimee Grmoljez, Attorney, Ashgrove Cement Company
00:49:49 Jessica Nolan, Administrative Assistant, Montana Chamber of Commerce
00:50:33 Mark Lambrecht, Executive Director, Treasure State Resource Industry Association
00:52:43 Margaret Morgan, Owner, Morgan Consultant, Inc. and Holcim Trident Cement Plant
00:53:31 Tom Hopgood, Executive Director, Montana Mining Association
00:53:50 Terry Johnson, Montana Taxpayers Association

EXHIBIT(tah38a02)

00:56:35 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:57:36 Mike Cadis, Director, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Informational Testimony:

00:58:39 David Klemp, Bureau Chief, Air Resources Management, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:59:13 Rep. Zolnikov
01:00:03 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association
01:00:23 Rep. Zolnikov
01:00:40 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association
01:01:12 Rep. Williams
01:01:58 David Klemp, DEQ
01:02:55 Rep. Williams
01:03:04 David Klemp, DEQ
01:04:11 Rep. Williams
01:04:17 David Klemp, DEQ
01:05:50 Rep. Miller
01:05:56 Rep. Coffin
01:06:01 Dave Galt, MPA
01:06:20 Rep. Coffin
01:06:30 Dave Galt, MPA
01:08:00 Rep. Coffin
01:08:07 Dave Galt, MPA
01:08:37 Rep. Hansen
01:08:52 Rep. Miller

01:09:10 Rep. Hansen
01:09:43 Rep. Miller
01:10:19 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association
01:10:53 Aimee Grmoljez, Ashgrove Cement Company
01:12:26 Rep. Hansen
01:12:31 Dave Galt, MPA
01:13:29 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:13:38 Aimee Grmoljez, Ashgrove Cement Company
01:14:20 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:15:10 Aimee Grmoljez, Ashgrove Cement Company
01:15:11 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:15:27 Aimee Grmoljez, Ashgrove Cement Company
01:15:29 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:15:36 Mike Cadis, DOR
01:16:52 Rep. Wilson
01:17:36 Dave Galt, MPA
01:17:47 Rep. Wilson
01:18:12 Dave Galt, MPA
01:18:51 Rep. Wilson
01:19:20 Dave Galt, MPA
01:20:07 Rep. Jacobson
01:20:23 Rep. Miller
01:21:12 Rep. Jacobson
01:21:20 Rep. Miller
01:21:52 Rep. Jacobson
01:21:59 Rep. Miller
01:22:45 Rep. Jacobson
01:22:51 Rep. Miller
01:23:02 Rep. Jacobson
01:23:08 Rep. Miller
01:23:33 Tom Ebzery, Attorney
01:25:26 Rep. McNally
01:26:17 Terry Johnson, Montana Taxpayers Association
01:27:14 Rep. McNally
01:27:24 Gene Walborn, Administrator, Business and Income Tax Division, Department of Revenue (DOR)
01:28:44 Rep. Hoven
01:28:50 Dave Galt, MPA
01:30:10 Rep. Zolnikov
01:30:33 Dave Galt, MPA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:31:41 Rep. Miller

01:33:09 Recessed
01:46:15 Reconvened

01:46:21 Chair Miller
01:48:51 Rep. Zolnikov
01:49:31 Rep. Pomnichowski

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:51:25

Rebecca Shaw, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tah38aad.pdf](#))