

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Kris Hansen, on March 6, 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. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)
Rep. Jonathan McNiven (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. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. David Halvorson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Laura Sankey, Legislative Branch
Marissa Stockton, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 257, 2/27/2013; SB 291, 2/27/2013
Executive Action: HB 549

00:22:42 Chair Hansen

HEARING ON SB 291

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:23:35 Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 291, Revise school laws related to multiple district cooperatives.

[EXHIBIT\(edh48a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(edh48a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:38 Mark Lambrecht, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:28:19 Janelle Mickelson, School Finance Administer, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:28:44 Rep. Bennett
00:29:25 Chair Hansen
00:29:32 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:29:48 Rep. Schwaderer
00:30:19 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:30:32 Rep. Schwaderer
00:31:03 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:31:20 Rep. Schwaderer
00:31:36 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:31:55 Rep. Brockie
00:32:34 Sen. Arntzen
00:33:28 Rep. Brockie
00:33:31 Chair Hansen
00:33:37 Rep. Hertz
00:34:11 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:34:39 Chair Hansen
00:34:46 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:34:49 Chair Hansen
00:35:05 Janelle Mickelson, OPI
00:35:14 Rep. Wilmer
00:35:54 Sen. Arntzen
00:35:57 Rep. Salomon
00:36:36 Lance Melton, Executive Director, Montana School Board Association (MTSBA)
00:38:00 Rep. Salomon
00:38:13 Lance Melton, MTSBA
00:39:24 Rep. McNiven
00:39:58 Lance Melton, MTSBA
00:41:02 Rep. McNiven
00:41:30 Lance Melton, MTSBA
00:41:38 Rep. McNiven
00:41:40 Lance Melton, MTSBA

00:41:43 Rep. McNiven
00:42:15 Lance Melton, MTSBA

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:13 Sen. Arntzen

00:44:15 Chair Hansen

HEARING ON SB 257

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:44:49 Sen. Llew Jones (R), SD 14, opened the hearing on SB 257, Revise and clarify responsibilities of the board of public education.

[EXHIBIT\(edh48a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:49:08 Lance Melton, MTSBA

[EXHIBIT\(edh48a04\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:57:00 Rep. Wilmer
00:58:15 Lance Melton, MTSBA
00:59:29 Rep. Wilmer
01:00:10 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:00:50 Chair Hansen
01:01:27 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:03:49 Chair Hansen
01:04:58 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:07:57 Chair Hansen
01:08:09 Sen. Jones
01:10:27 Rep. Wilmer
01:10:50 Sen. Jones
01:11:16 Rep. Wilmer
01:11:56 Sen. Jones
01:12:17 Rep. Wilmer
01:12:34 Sen. Jones
01:12:40 Rep. Schwaderer
01:13:04 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:13:21 Rep. Schwaderer
01:13:38 Chair Hansen
01:13:44 Sen. Jones
01:13:46 Chair Hansen
01:14:38 Sen. Jones
01:16:24 Chair Hansen
01:16:29 Rep. McNiven
01:17:02 Sen. Jones

01:17:11 Rep. McNiven
01:17:35 Sen. Jones
01:18:14 Chair Hansen
01:18:50 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:21:23 Chair Hansen
01:22:14 Lance Melton, MTSBA
01:25:06 Rep. Coffin
01:26:04 Sen. Jones
01:27:47 Rep. Coffin
01:28:39 Sen. Jones
01:31:13 Rep. Hertz
01:31:24 Lance Melton, MTSBA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:34:52 Sen. Jones

01:36:01 Chair Hansen

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 549

01:37:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Blyton moved that **HB 549 BE TABLED WITHOUT A HEARING.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Blasdel and Rep. Halvorson voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:37:30

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([edh48aad.pdf](#))