

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Steve Lavin, on March 11, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Lavin, Chair (R)
Rep. Lee Randall, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Forrestina (Frosty) Boss Ribs (D)
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)
Rep. Reilly Neill (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Nancy Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Carolyn Squires, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Tia Hunter, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 202, 2/26/2013; SB 99, 2/26/2013; SB 225, 2/26/2013; SB
319, 3/11/2013
Executive Action: SB 114, SB 225

HEARING ON SB 319**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:07:17 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 319, Revise certain processes for vehicle title, registration, licensing.
00:08:21 Rep. Kerns entered.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:09:57 Elaine Taylor, Montana Beverage Association
00:11:33 Rep. Clark entered.
00:12:27 Jayne Rogers, Fleet Supervisor, Coca-Cola
00:13:38 Tom Ebzery, Attorney, CenturyLink
00:14:21 Bruce Spencer, Montana Automobile Dealers Association (MTADA)
00:16:34 Mark Baker, Attorney, Plum Creek Timber Company, and AT&T

Opponents' Testimony:

00:17:52 Ronda Wiggers, Montana Country Treasures' Association

Informational Testimony:

00:22:27 Brenda Nordlund, Administrator, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:07 Rep. O'Neil
00:26:57 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
00:28:02 Rep. O'Neil
00:28:18 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
00:28:38 Rep. Wilson
00:29:19 Sen. Sonju

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:06 Sen. Sonju

HEARING ON SB 202**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:31:23 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 202, Revise traffic laws.

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[EXHIBIT\(trh52a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:39:48 Pierre Jomini, Self
00:40:09 Barbara Ranf, BNSF Railway Company

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:41:15 Dwane Kailey, Administrator, Highways and Engineering Division, Department of Transportation (MDT)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:41:38 Rep. Wilson
00:43:47 Sen. Kaufmann
00:44:35 Rep. Clark
00:45:05 Mr. Kailey, MDT
00:46:03 Rep. Smith
00:46:48 Sen. Kaufmann

Closing by Sponsor:

00:47:14 Sen. Kaufmann

HEARING ON SB 99**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:47:51 Sen. Alan Olson (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 99, Revise laws related to motor vehicle insurance verification.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:49:59 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
00:54:50 Bruce Spencer, Property Casualty Insurers Association of America (PCI)
00:56:24 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:01:11 Rep. Smith
01:01:34 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:02:10 Rep. Smith
01:02:18 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:02:33 Rep. Smith
01:02:54 Sen. Olson
01:03:19 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
01:04:00 Rep. Smith
01:04:09 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ
01:05:01 Rep. Clark
01:05:25 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:05:27 Rep. Clark
01:05:41 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:05:48 Rep. Clark
01:06:16 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:07:13 Rep. Clark
01:07:27 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association

01:08:06 Rep. Smith
01:08:20 Ms. Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers' Association
01:08:44 Chairman Lavin

Closing by Sponsor:

01:08:55 Sen. Olson

HEARING ON SB 225

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:09:32 Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 225, Generally revise tow truck laws.
01:11:37 Rep. Neill left.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:11:16 Bob Gilbert, Montana Tow Truck Association, Ltd. (MTTA)
01:12:20 Terry Morrison, President, MTTA, and Traffic Incident Management Trainer
01:13:25 Gary Becker, Captain, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP), and DOJ
01:15:10 Jim Dusenberry, J&D Towing, and Traffic Incident Management Trainer

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:15:49 Rep. Fiscus
01:16:14 Sen. Arntzen

Closing by Sponsor:

01:16:56 Sen. Arntzen

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 114

01:17:59 **Motion:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 114 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:18:12 Rep. Wilson
01:19:28 Rep. Randall
01:20:08 Rep. Fiscus
01:20:46 Rep. O'Neil

01:21:10 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Neill, Rep. Squires and Rep. Wilson voting no. Rep. Neill and Rep. Squires voted by proxy. Rep. Fiscus will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 225

01:22:07 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Randall moved that **SB 225 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Neill and Rep. Squires voted by proxy. Rep. Bangerter will carry the bill.

01:22:58 Chairman Lavin

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:23:42

Tia Hunter, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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