

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on March 25, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 102  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Rep. Steve Gibson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)  
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)  
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)  
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Pat Noonan (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Joe Triem, 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 591, 3/21/2013; HB 594, 3/21/2013; HB 633, 3/21/2013  
Executive Action: HB 625, HB 627, HB 39, HB 49, HB 213, HB 272, HB 633

00:08:13 Chair Ankney

### **HEARING ON HB 591**

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

00:09:37 Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R), HD 29, opened the hearing on HB 591, Increase the fees for licensing of commodity weighing devices.

00:09:58 Rep. Cuffe left.

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

00:10:28 Jack Kane, Administrator, Weights and Measures, Business Standards Division, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

00:12:33 Rep. Gibson left.

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

00:17:57 Pat Keim, Columbia Grain Incorporated

#### **Informational Testimony:**

00:19:59 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

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

00:20:15 Rep. Whitford

00:20:18 Rep. Gibson arrived.

00:20:58 Mr. Kane, DLI

00:21:47 Rep. Whitford

00:22:07 Mr. Kane, DLI

00:22:37 Chair Ankney

00:25:32 Rep. Ballance

00:25:50 Rep. Whitford

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

00:27:16 Rep. Osmundson

### **HEARING ON HB 594**

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

00:28:19 Rep. David Halvorson (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 594, Provide for infrastructure oil and gas impact fund for local government.

00:30:56 Rep. Mehlhoff left.

00:31:23 Rep. Osmundson left.

00:35:44 Rep. Dudik left.

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

00:37:04 Bob Gilbert, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties, Richland Economic Development Corporation and City of Glendive

00:40:17 Liane Taylor, Northern Montana Oil and Gas Association

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

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:40:53 Rep. Hagstrom  
00:41:05 Chair Ankney  
00:41:08 Rep. Hagstrom  
00:41:11 Chair Ankney  
00:41:36 Rep. Whitford  
00:42:27 Rep. Halvorson  
00:42:33 Rep. Dudik arrived.  
00:42:51 Rep. Whitford  
00:44:12 Rep. Halvorson

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:44:59 Rep. Halvorson

**[EXHIBIT\(aph64b01\)](#)**

**HEARING ON HB 633**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:46:53 Rep. Ron Ehli (R), HD 88, opened the hearing on HB 633, Provide for an interim select committee on efficiency in government.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:53:30 Bill Warden, Catholic Hospitals, Benefis Health System, St. Peter's Hospital, and Bozeman Deaconess  
00:54:17 Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:56:00 Rep. Ballance  
00:56:51 Rep. Ehli  
00:57:05 Rep. Ballance  
00:57:15 Rep. Ehli  
00:57:35 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:58:31 Rep. Whitford  
00:59:11 Rep. Ehli  
00:59:54 Rep. Whitford  
01:00:35 Rep. Edmunds  
01:01:01 Chair Ankney  
01:01:27 Rep. Ehli  
01:02:36 Rep. Gibson  
01:02:52 Rep. Hagstrom  
01:03:05 Rep. Ehli  
01:04:00 Rep. Hagstrom  
01:04:25 Rep. Ehli  
01:06:13 Rep. Hagstrom

01:06:24 Rep. Ehli  
01:07:24 Chair Ankney  
01:07:41 Rep. McChesney  
01:08:17 Chair Ankney

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:08:30 Rep. Ehli

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 39**

01:10:03 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 39 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Cuffe and Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 49**

01:10:33 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 49 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:10:47 Rep. Gibson

01:11:14 **Vote:** Motion failed 2-19 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance and Rep. Edmunds voting aye. Rep. Cuffe and Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

01:12:32 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 49 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Cuffe and Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 213**

01:12:58 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 213 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:13:24 Ms. Johnson, Legislative Services Division, LSD

01:13:39 Rep. Gibson **WITHDREW MOTION HB 213 DO PASS**.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 272**

01:14:03 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 272 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

01:14:06 Rep. Cook

01:29:17 Rep. Cuffe arrived.

01:14:25 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-14 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Edmunds, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Whitford and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

01:15:51 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 272 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 633**

01:16:18 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 633 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 625**

01:16:55 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 625 DO PASS**.

01:17:21 **Motion:** Rep. Cook moved that **HB 625 BE AMENDED**.  
[EXHIBIT\(aph64b02\)](#)

**Discussion:**

01:18:12 Ms. Johnson, LSD

01:18:41 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

01:18:59 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 625 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 627**

01:19:33 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved to **RECONSIDER THE ACTION** on **HB 627**.

**Discussion:**

01:19:56 Rep. Osmundson

01:20:17 Rep. Cook

01:20:29 Rep. Osmundson

01:20:36 Rep. Edmunds

01:20:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

01:21:10 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 627 DO PASS**.

01:21:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 627 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

[EXHIBIT\(aph64b03\)](#)

01:22:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 627 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Noonan voted by proxy.

01:22:29 Chair Ankney

01:22:32 Rep. Glimm

01:22:58 Chair Ankney

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:23:05

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Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([aph64bad.pdf](#))**