

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**Call to Order:** Chair Krayton Kerns, on April 5, 2013 at 9:00 AM, in Room 137 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Krayton Kerns, Chair (R)  
Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Virginia Court (D)  
Rep. Alan Doane (R)  
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)  
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)  
Rep. Jenifer Gursky (D)  
Rep. David Halvorson (R)  
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)  
Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Keith Regier (R)  
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)  
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)  
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary  
Helen Thigpen, 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: SB 375, 4/2/2013

00:20:22 Chairman Kerns

### HEARING ON SB 375

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a01\)](#)

#### Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:21:22 Sen. Jim Peterson (R), SD 15, opened the hearing on SB 375, Generally revise Montana campaign laws.

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a02\)](#)

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a03\)](#)

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a04\)](#)

#### Proponents' Testimony:

00:44:37 Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, SD 3

00:47:58 Rep. Rob Cook, HD 27

00:49:41 Brad Johnson, Former Secretary of State, Self

00:52:56 Carmine Mowbray, Former Senator, SD 6, Self

00:55:41 Andy Huff, Legal Counsel, Governor's Office (GOV)

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a05\)](#)

01:01:24 Mac Minard, Self

01:05:14 John Barrows, Montana Newspaper Association (MNA)

#### Opponents' Testimony:

01:06:41 C.B. Pearson, Common Cause

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a06\)](#)

01:15:13 Matt Leow, Stand with Montanans

01:21:40 Sue Kirchmyer, Self

#### [EXHIBIT\(juh71a07\)](#)

01:24:49 Mike Fellows, Self

#### Informational Testimony:

01:26:58 Mary Baker, Program Supervisor, Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices (OCPP)

01:27:15 Julie Steab, Investigator, OCPP

01:27:33 Edwin Bender, National Institute on Money in State Politics and Follow the Money

#### Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:29:26 Rep. Regier

01:30:21 Sen. Peterson

01:31:00 Rep. Regier

01:31:26 Sen. Peterson

01:32:02 Mr. Huff, GOV

01:33:20 Rep. Regier

01:33:37 Sen. Peterson

01:34:58 Rep. Regier

01:35:03 Sen. Peterson

01:35:28 Rep. Regier

01:35:36 Sen. Peterson

01:35:50 Rep. MacDonald  
01:37:04 Sen. Peterson  
01:38:11 Rep. MacDonald  
01:38:31 Ms Baker, OCPP  
01:40:18 Rep. Eck  
01:41:13 Sen. Peterson  
01:43:17 Rep. Eck  
01:44:08 Mr. Huff, GOV  
01:46:12 Rep. Eck  
01:46:43 Mr. Huff, GOV  
01:48:15 Rep. Eck  
01:48:37 Mr. Pearson, Common Cause  
01:50:57 Rep. O'Neil  
01:51:29 Sen. Peterson  
01:53:25 Rep. O'Neil  
01:53:50 Sen. Peterson  
01:53:54 Rep. O'Neil  
01:54:15 Sen. Peterson  
01:55:28 Rep. O'Neil  
01:55:31 Rep. Laszloffy  
01:55:52 Sen. Peterson  
01:56:11 Rep. Laszloffy  
01:56:37 Sen. Peterson  
01:57:13 Rep. Laszloffy  
01:57:29 Sen. Peterson  
01:58:01 Rep. Laszloffy  
01:58:22 Sen. Peterson  
01:58:43 Chairman Kerns  
01:58:59 Rep. Hill  
02:00:41 Mr. Pearson, Common Cause  
02:04:23 Rep. Hill  
02:05:07 Mr. Pearson, Common Cause  
02:06:40 Rep. Hill  
02:07:30 Sen. Peterson  
02:12:46 Rep. Court  
02:14:08 Sen. Peterson  
02:14:15 Rep. Wagoner  
02:14:22 Sen. Peterson  
02:15:26 Rep. Wagoner  
02:15:55 Mr. Huff, GOV  
02:16:49 Rep. Warburton  
02:18:55 Sen. Peterson  
02:20:53 Rep. Warburton  
02:21:14 Sen. Peterson  
02:21:57 Rep. Doane  
02:22:55 Mr. Huff, GOV  
02:23:54 Rep. Fiscus  
02:25:06 Sen. Peterson  
02:25:28 Rep. Fiscus  
02:25:42 Sen. Peterson

02:26:18 Rep. Smith  
02:26:57 Mr. Bender, Follow the Money  
02:29:35 Rep. MacDonald  
02:30:38 Mr. Bender, Follow the Money  
02:31:45 Rep. Eck  
02:32:44 Mr. Bender, Follow the Money  
02:35:38 Rep. MacDonald left the meeting.  
02:35:45 Rep. Warburton  
02:37:04 Mr. Fellows, Self  
02:37:49 Rep. Warburton  
02:38:01 Mr. Fellows, Self  
02:38:52 Rep. Hill  
02:40:10 Mr. Huff, GOV  
02:40:36 Rep. Hill  
02:40:53 Ginger Aldrich, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
02:42:40 Rep. Hill  
02:42:58 Ms Aldrich, LSD  
02:43:47 Rep. Doane  
02:44:22 Ms Aldrich, LSD  
02:45:31 Rep. Eck  
02:46:34 Ms Aldrich, LSD  
02:46:42 Rep. Eck  
02:46:55 Ms Aldrich, LSD  
02:47:25 Rep. O'Neil  
02:47:50 Ms Aldrich, LSD

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:48:05 Sen. Peterson  
  
02:56:36 Chairman Kerns  
02:56:43 Sen. Peterson

**EXHIBIT(juh71a08)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:57:12

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Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([juh71aad.pdf](#))**