

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Duane Ankney, on April 8, 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. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
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. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (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: SB 58, 4/04/2013; SB 114, 4/04/2013 ; SB 138, 4/04/2013

00:15:40 Chair Ankney

HEARING ON SB 114

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:51 Sen. Janna Taylor (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB 114, Eliminate certain charges for motor vehicle registration.

00:17:00 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.

00:18:13 Rep. Cook arrived.

00:19:34 Rep. Edmunds arrived.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:20:31 Ronda Wiggers, Montana County Treasurers Association

00:20:48 Brenda Nordlund, Administrator, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice (DOJ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:23:43 Rep. Brodehl

00:23:55 Rep. Hollenbaugh left.

00:24:28 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ

00:24:33 Rep. Brodehl

00:24:35 Rep. Ballance arrived.

00:24:39 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ

00:25:38 Rep. Brodehl

00:26:03 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:26:26 Ms. Nordlund, DOJ

00:26:57 Rep. Edmunds and Rep. Gibson left.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:26:36 Sen. Taylor

HEARING ON SB 58

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:43 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 58, Transfer money to the endowment for children.

EXHIBIT(aph73a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:30:34 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Churches

00:31:57 Greg Daly, Case Manager, Maternal and Child Health, Lewis & Clark City/County Health Department

00:33:15 Aaron Christensen, Lewis and Clark Hearts

00:34:20 Britney Henne, Lewis and Clark Parents Group

00:35:18 Brie Oliver, Self

00:36:13 Rep. Gibson arrived.
00:36:31 Rep. McChesney arrived.
00:37:00 Melisa Synness, Executive Director, Healthy Mothers and Healthy Babies of Montana (HMHB)
00:38:10 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.
00:39:22 Eileen Donohoue, Executive Director, The Nurturing Center
00:42:10 Kelly McIntosh, Executive Director, The Women's Resource Center/Community Support Center, Dillon

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:44:00 Betty Hidalgo, Chair, Montana Children's Trust Fund Board
00:47:33 Mary Gallagher, Vice Chair, Montana Children's Trust Fund (CTF)

[EXHIBIT\(aph73a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph73a03\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:52:22 Rep. Ballance
00:52:45 Sen. Kaufmann
00:53:33 Rep. Ballance
00:53:57 Sen. Kaufmann
00:54:11 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:54:49 Rep. Brodehl
00:55:12 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:55:35 Rep. Brodehl
00:55:44 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:55:54 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:56:16 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:56:29 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:56:49 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:57:10 Rep. Hagstrom
00:57:33 Sen. Kaufmann
00:57:46 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:57:55 Rep. Whitford left.
00:58:19 Rep. Hagstrom
00:58:41 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
00:59:06 Rep. Hagstrom
00:59:28 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
01:00:08 Rep. Hagstrom
01:00:22 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
01:00:24 Rep. Hagstrom
01:00:35 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
01:00:41 Rep. Woods
01:00:59 Ms. Gallagher, CTF
01:01:17 Rep. Jones
01:01:40 Sen. Kaufmann
01:01:56 Ms. Synness, HMHB
01:02:13 Rep. Jones
01:02:46 Ms. Synness, HMHB

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:09 Rep. Noonan for Sen. Kaufmann

HEARING ON SB 138

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:04:19 Sen. Art Wittich (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 138, Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities.

[EXHIBIT\(aph73a04\)](#)

01:06:17 Rep. Cook and Rep. Ballance left.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

01:07:03 Kate Cholewa, City of Missoula

Informational Testimony:

01:07:47 Steve Cleverdon, Tax Policy and Research, Director's Office, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

01:08:13 Sen. Wittich

01:08:54 Chair Ankney

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:09:19

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph73aad.pdf](#))