

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION

Call to Order: Chair Taylor Brown, on January 15, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 335
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Scott Boulanger (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Terry Murphy (R)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Mike Phillips

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch
Elizabeth Whiting, Committee Secretary

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 60, 1/11/2013; SB 72, 1/11/2013; SB 94, 1/11/2013

HEARING ON SB 72

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:18:44 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 72, Revise the livestock per-capita assessment date.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:20 Tom Rice, Beaverhead County Commissioners

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a02\)](#)

00:22:03 Dave Schultz, Madison County

00:23:16 Maureen Connor, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:23:27 Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers Association (MSGA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:24:11 Christian Mackay, Montana Department of Livestock (DOL)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:46 Sen. Moore

00:25:01 Christian Mackay, DOL

Closing by Sponsor:

00:25:29 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SB 94

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:26:13 Sen. Dee Brown (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SB 94, Revise laws regarding exchanges between home canners and gardeners.

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a05\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:31:01 Jacob Cowgill, Montana Farmers Union

Opponents' Testimony:

00:32:01 Tim Read, Planner and Sanitarian, Mineral County, Montana (MCOP)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a06\)](#)

00:35:53 Jim Carlson, Missoula City-County Health Department, Environmental Health Division (MCHD)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a08\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

00:43:36 Jim Murphy, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a09\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a10\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a11\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a12\)](#)

00:44:22 Tony Herbert, Montana Brewer's Association (MBA)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:45:12 Sen. Murphy
00:49:17 Jim Carlson, MCHD
00:50:58 Chairman Brown
00:51:04 Sen. Boulanger
00:51:52 Jim Carlson
00:54:40 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
00:59:37 Sen. Brown
01:00:04 Chairman Brown
01:01:13 Sen. Brown
01:01:48 Chairman Brown
01:02:28 Tim Read, MCOP
01:05:18 Chairman Brown
01:06:56 Jim Carlson

Closing by Sponsor:

01:07:46 Sen. Brown

HEARING ON SB 60

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:09:47 Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 60, Eliminate alternative livestock advisory council.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:13:49 Jim Kropp, Chief of Law Enforcement, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a13\)](#)

01:15:24 Christian Mackay, Department of Livestock (DOL)

01:16:44 Chairman Brown

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:16:50 Sen. Boulanger
01:17:29 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:18:27 Chairman Brown

Closing by Sponsor:

01:18:35 Sen. Vuckovich

Guest Speaker:

01:19:38 Jeff Jacobsen, Dean of Agriculture, Montana State University (MSU)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a14\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a15\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(ags07a16\)](#)

01:30:50 Chairman Brown
01:37:49 Dean Jacobsen, MSU
01:39:36 Chairman Brown

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:40 p.m.

Elizabeth Whiting, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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