

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Terry Murphy, on January 29, 2013 at 9:00 AM, in Room 303
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Terry Murphy, Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Scott Boulanger (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder (R)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Scott Sales, Vice Chair (R), Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Art Wittich (R), Sen. Larry Jent (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, 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 187, 1/25/2013; SB 188, 1/25/2013; SB 189, 1/25/2013

HEARING ON SB 188

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:02 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 188, Provide aggravated assault counts as previous conviction in partner/family.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:01:30 Juli Pierce, Deputy County Attorney, Yellowstone County, Billings, Montana
00:03:23 Teague Westrope, Domestic Violence Prosecutor, Deputy City Attorney, Billings, Montana
00:04:38 Larry Epstein, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)
00:05:12 Sarah Rossi, Public Policy Director, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:05:52 Sen. Webb

HEARING ON SB 187

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:06:47 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 187, Generally revise laws related to endangerment and welfare of children.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:34 Katie Nash, Domestic Violence Investigator, Billings Police Department, Billings, Montana
00:12:46 Juli Pierce, Deputy County Attorney, Yellowstone County, Billings, Montana
00:17:02 Teague Westrope, Domestic Violence Prosecutor, Deputy City Attorney, Billings, Montana
00:25:13 Sarah Rossi, Public Policy Director, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
00:25:32 Larry Epstein, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:26:40 Sen. Webb

HEARING ON SB 189

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:17 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 189, Revise partner and family member assault laws regarding out-of-state convictions.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:28:40 Juli Pierce, Deputy County Attorney, Yellowstone County, Billings, Montana
00:31:49 Teague Westrope, Domestic Violence Prosecutor, Deputy City Attorney, Billings, Montana
00:33:59 Sarah Rossi, Public Policy Director, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
00:34:35 Larry Epstein, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:12 Sen. Murphy
00:35:53 Ms. Pierce, Deputy County Attorney, Yellowstone County

Closing by Sponsor:

00:37:52 Sen. Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:39 A.M.

Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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