

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Elsie Arntzen, on February 5, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Elsie Arntzen, Chair (R)
Sen. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)
Sen. Dee Brown (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)
Sen. Jon Sonju (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)
Sen. Roger Webb (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dave Bohyer, Legislative Branch
Charlene Devine, 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 202, 1/29/2013; HB 55, 1/31/2013

Executive Action: HB 55 Be Concurred In

HEARING ON SB 202

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:46 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 202, Revise traffic laws.

[EXHIBIT\(his25a01\)](#)

00:29:10 Sen. Tutvedt entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:22 Pierre Jomini, representing self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:33:08 Barbara Ranf, Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:37 Sen. Keane
00:35:00 Sen. Kaufmann
00:35:32 Pierre Jomini, self
00:36:06 Sen. Buttrey
00:37:29 Sen. Kaufmann
00:38:01 Pierre Jomini
00:38:32 Dave Bohyer, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:39:13 Sen. Buttrey
00:39:29 Dave Bohyer, LSD
00:39:41 Sen. Barrett
00:40:34 Sen. Kaufmann
00:41:23 Sen. Vuckovich
00:43:16 Pierre Jomini
00:43:46 Sen. Webb
00:44:11 Sen. Kaufmann
00:46:05 Sen. Keane
00:46:27 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)
00:46:44 Chair Arntzen
00:46:55 Barbara Ranf, BNSF

Closing by Sponsor:

00:47:35 Sen. Kaufmann

HEARING ON HB 55

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:48:28 Rep. Austin Knudsen (R), HD 36, opened the hearing on HB 55, Remove federally preempted motor carrier regulations.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:50:00 Kirk Bushman, Public Service Commission (PSC)
[EXHIBIT\(his25a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:50:20 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:51:58 Sen. Keane
00:52:32 Spook Stang, MCM
00:53:15 Sen. Buttrey
00:53:51 Kirk Bushman, PSC
00:54:56 Brenda Elias, Public Service Commission (PSC)
00:55:24 Rep. Knudsen
00:56:02 Sen. Vuckovich
00:56:17 Kirk Bushman

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:49 Rep. Knudsen

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 55

00:58:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Buttrey moved that **HB 55 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 11-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blewett was excused. Sen. Tutvedt will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:59 P.M.

Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([his25aad.pdf](#))