

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on February 6, 2013 at 8:00 AM, in Room 405  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Chair (R)  
Sen. Fred Thomas, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Ron Arthun (R)  
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)  
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)  
Sen. Sue Malek (D)  
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)  
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)  
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)  
Sen. Art Wittich (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch  
Charlene Rich, 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 240, 2/1/2013

**HEARING ON SB 240****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:16:20 Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 240, Revise taxation of pollution control equipment.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:21:46 Mike Green, Ash Grove Cement Company (AGCC)

00:23:39 Dan Peters, Ash Grove Cement Company (AGCC)

[EXHIBIT\(tas26a01\)](#)

00:29:53 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Taxpayers Association (MTA)

[EXHIBIT\(tas26a02\)](#)

00:31:05 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)

[EXHIBIT\(tas26a03\)](#)

00:32:34 Mark Lambrecht, Western Environment Association (WEA)

00:34:39 Margaret Morgan, Holcim Trident Cement Plant

00:35:48 Ron Devlin, NorthWestern Energy (NWE)

00:37:19 Webb Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)

00:37:40 Tom Hopgood, Montana Mining Association (MMA)

00:39:29 Maureen Connor, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:40:34 Keith Allen, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)

[EXHIBIT\(tas26a04\)](#)

00:42:12 Chris Cavazos, AFL-CIO

00:42:41 C. A. Daw, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

**Informational Testimony:**

00:46:35 Lee Baerlocher, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

00:47:05 Sen. Peterson entered the hearing.

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:47:19 Sen. Malek

00:48:00 Dan Peters, AGCC

00:48:49 Sen. Malek

00:49:09 Dan Peters

00:49:35 Sen. Malek

00:49:42 Lee Baerlocher, DOR

00:50:18 Sen. Malek

00:50:38 Lee Baerlocher  
00:50:45 Sen. Barrett  
00:54:58 C.A. Daw, DOR  
00:55:27 Sen. Arthun  
00:55:52 Mike Green, AGCC  
00:56:39 Sen. Peterson  
00:57:22 Mike Green  
00:58:27 Sen. Phillips  
00:58:48 Sen. Wittich entered the hearing.  
00:59:09 Dan Peters  
01:01:37 Sen. Malek  
01:05:38 Mike Green  
01:06:17 Sen. Kaufmann  
01:07:50 Chairman Tutvedt  
01:08:22 Sen. Wittich  
01:13:33 Mike Green  
01:14:11 Sen. Thomas  
01:15:02 C. A. Daw  
01:15:20 Sen. Wittich left the hearing.

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:15:35 Chairman Tutvedt

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:21 AM

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Charlene Rich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([tas26aad.pdf](#))**