

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Vice Chair Jones, on February 15, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jim Peterson, Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch
Elizabeth Whiting, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 291, 2/13/2013; SJ 13, 2/13/2013

Executive Action: SB 291 - Do Pass; SJ 13 - Do Pass; SB 199 - Do Pass As Amended;
SB 257 - Do Pass As Amended; SB 191 - Do Pass;
SB 203 - Do Pass As Amended

HEARING ON SB 291

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:19:26 Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 291, Revise school laws related to multiple district cooperatives.

[EXHIBIT\(eds34a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(eds34a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:23:25 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association (MTSBA)

00:24:56 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:26:41 Dennis Parman, Deputy Superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:12 Sen. Arntzen

HEARING ON SJ 13

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:28:05 Sen. Taylor Brown (R), SD 22, opened the hearing on SJ 13, Request MUS to study college completion.

[EXHIBIT\(eds34a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:33:20 Jim Molloy, Senior Policy Advisor, Governor's Office

00:34:59 Tyler Trevor, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

00:36:13 Tracy Ellig, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE) and Montana State University (MSU)

00:36:36 Ed Bartlett, Montana Community Colleges (MCC)

00:37:20 Steve York, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:39:15 Asa Hohman, Montana Associated Students (MAS)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:42:22 Sen. Brown

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 291

00:44:23 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 291 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0. Sen. Peterson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 13

00:45:10 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SJ 13 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:45:22 Sen. Moore

00:46:14 Sen. Brown

00:47:26 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy

00:48:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0. Sen. Peterson voted by proxy.

00:48:22 Chairman Peterson entered the hearing.

00:48:53 Sen. Windy Boy was not present for executive action.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 199

00:50:32 **Motion:** Sen. F. Moore moved that **SB 199 DO PASS**.

00:50:52 **Motion:** Sen. F. Moore moved that **SB 199 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(eds34a04\)](#)

Discussion:

00:50:55 Pad McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:51:00 Sen. Peterson entered the hearing.

00:51:46 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association (MTSBA)

00:52:41 Sen. Windy Boy

00:53:14 Bob Vogel, MTSBA

00:53:29 Sen. Windy Boy left the hearing.

00:53:30 Sen. Arntzen

00:55:43 Bob Vogel

00:56:49 Sen. Jones

00:56:51 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0. Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

00:56:54 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 199 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0. Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

00:59:06 Chairman Peterson resumes role as Chair.

00:59:10 Sen. Windy Boy entered the hearing.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 257

00:59:16 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SB 257 DO PASS**.

00:59:30 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SB 257 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(eds34a05\)](#)

Discussion:

01:00:00 Sen. Jones

01:00:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0.

01:00:11 **Motion:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SB 257 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

01:01:22 Sen. Arntzen

01:02:15 Sen. Brown

01:02:25 Sen. Jones

01:02:45 Sen. Arntzen

01:02:47 **Motion:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SB 257 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(eds34a06\)](#)

Discussion:

01:03:40 Sen. Jones

01:03:46 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-1 by voice vote with Sen. Driscoll voting no.

01:05:51 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SB 257 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 191

01:06:27 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 191 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:06:40 Sen. Brown

01:07:21 Sen. Facey

01:08:32 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 203

01:09:23 **Motion:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SB 203 DO PASS.**

01:09:35 **Motion:** Sen. Arntzen moved that **SB 203 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(eds34a07)

Discussion:

01:09:51 Sen. Jones

01:10:45 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0.

01:10:53 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 203 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 10-0.

Committee Business:

01:11:49 Chairman Peterson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:13 p.m.

Elizabeth Whiting, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([eds34aad.pdf](#))