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MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: Chair Bruce Tutvedt, on February 20, 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. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
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 287, 2/12/2013

Executive Action: SB 231, Amendment only, Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 287**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:25:01 Sen. Dick Barrett (D), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 287, Replace residential property tax assistance with property tax circuit breaker.

[EXHIBIT\(tas38a01\)](#)

00:33:00 Sen. Kaufmann entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:48:40 Rep. Ed Lieser (D), HD 4, Whitefish

00:52:52 Paul Biolo, self

[EXHIBIT\(tas38a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(tas38a03\)](#)

01:01:25 Dave Fern, self

01:06:25 Tara Veazy, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:06:50 Ronda Wiggers, Montana Country Treasurers Association (MCTA)

01:14:18 Joe Roberts, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

01:20:28 Greg Chilcott, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Informational Testimony:

01:21:03 Ed Caplis, Montana Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:21:20 Sen. Malek

01:28:58 Sen. Barrett

01:30:33 Sen. Kaufmann

01:31:24 Sen. Barrett

01:35:42 Sen. Jergeson

01:37:44 Joe Roberts, MAR

01:38:56 Sen. Jergeson

01:39:59 Paul Biolo, self

01:41:40 Sen. Jergeson

01:46:34 Ronda Wiggers, MCTA

01:47:18 Sen. Phillips

01:47:49 Ronda Wiggers

01:47:59 Sen. Kaufmann

01:50:38 Ronda Wiggers

01:51:09 Sen. Malek

01:51:33 Ed Caplis, DOR

01:52:36 Sen. Phillips

01:53:19 Sen. Barrett

01:56:46 Sen. Arthun
01:57:35 Joe Roberts
01:58:44 Sen. Arthun
02:00:53 Sen. Barrett
02:02:07 Chairman Tutvedt
02:02:40 Dave Fern, self
02:04:51 Chairman Tutvedt
02:05:04 Greg Chilchott, MACo
02:05:32 Chairman Tutvedt
02:05:53 Ed Caplis

Closing by Sponsor:

02:06:38 Sen. Barrett

02: 08:00 **Motion:** Sen. Peterson moved that **SB 231 DO PASS.**

02:09:00 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SB 231 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Essmann and Sen. Wittich were excused.

EXHIBIT(tas38a04)

Discussion:

02:12:40 Sen. Taylor
02:13:56 Chairman Tutvedt
02:14:08 Sen. Taylor

02:15:03 Without objection, Sen. Peterson withdrew the DO PASS motion.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:59

Charlene Rich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([tas38aad.pdf](#))