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MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Ron Arthun, on March 8, 2013 at 3:10 PM, in Room 335 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ron Arthun, Chair (R)
Sen. Dee Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Anders Blewett (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Sen. Roger Webb (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch
Nadine Spencer, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 30, 2/21/2013; HB 200, 3/5/2013; HB 122, 3/5/2013; HB 252, 3/5/2013

Executive Action: HB 252, Be Concurred In

HEARING ON HB 252

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:34 Rep. Pat Ingraham (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 252, Revise notary public journal storage to secretary of state's office.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:01:43 Linda Stoll, Montana Association of Clerks, Recorders and Election Officials (MACR)

00:02:39 Sheryl Wood, Associate Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:02:55 Lori Hamm, Notary Compliance and Education Specialist, Secretary of State (SOS)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:04:32 Sen. Brown

00:05:00 Lori Hamm, SOS

00:05:33 Sen. Brown

00:05:52 Lori Hamm

Closing by Sponsor:

00:06:22 Rep. Ingraham

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 252

00:07:34 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jent moved that **HB 252 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Sales and Sen. Webb voted by proxy. Sen. Jent will carry the bill.

HEARING ON HB 30

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:08:31 Rep. Ted Washburn (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 30, Revise late registration laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:26 Roger Nummerdor, self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:13:54 Linda McCulloch, Montana Secretary of State (SOS)

EXHIBIT(sts50a01)

00:19:50 Chris Cavazos, Co-Director, Montana AFL-CIO

00:20:53 Stan Frasier, self, former election judge

00:22:20 Vicki Amundson, realtor and member of Missoula Business and Professional Women

EXHIBIT(sts50a02)

00:23:14 Jed Barton, Public Affairs Coordinator at Living Independently for Today and Tomorrow, Billings, Montana

00:25:24 Sarah Howell, Co- Director, Montana Women Vote (MWV)

00:27:00 Sarah Cobler, Montana Conservation Voters (MCV)

00:28:59 Shane Morigeau, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribe (CSKT)

EXHIBIT(sts50a03)

00:31:00 Ray Yazzie, self

00:33:15 Diane Ehernberger, member American Association of University Women (AAUW-MT)

00:35:25 Meagan McKay, student, University of Montana

00:36:13 Nancy Detrick, State President, Montana League of Women Voters (MLWV)

00:38:08 Chelsea Morales, student, University of Montana

00:39:15 Dustin Monroe, self

EXHIBIT(sts50a04)

00:42:16 Pam Walzer, self

00:45:20 Beth Brenneman, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Montana (DRM)

00:47:13 Joel Peden, Montana Association for Rehabilitation and Montana Centers for Independent Living

00:49:30 Bill Roberts, Volunteer Advocate, AARP

EXHIBIT(sts50a05)

00:51:49 Niki Zupanic, Public Policy Director, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

00:52:47 Suzette Dussault, self

00:53:31 Pat Mitchell, self

00:54:57 Terry Minow, MEA-MFT

00:55:45 Linda Gryczan, Montana Women's Lobby

EXHIBIT(sts50a06)

00:57:55 Judith Heilman, self

EXHIBIT(sts50a07)

00:59:15 Kate Cholew, City of Missoula

00:59:39 Mike Penfold, self

01:00:39 Bridger Bukantis, self

01:01:19 Claudia Narcisco, self

01:02:13 Sheena Rice, Montana Organizing Project

01:02:59 Beth Kaeding, past chair Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC)

01:03:43 Sean McQuillan, Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPIRG)
01:04:32 Dani Clark, representing Associated Students at Montana State University and
also representing Montana Associated Students
01:05:57 Sam Thompson, self
01:07:00 Walter Gulick, Montana Organizing Project

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:09:06 Sen. Brown
01:10:35 Linda McCulloch, SOS
01:10:44 Sen. Blewett
01:11:49 Linda McCulloch
01:12:00 Sen. Blewett
01:12:36 Rep. Washburn
01:13:18 Sen. Blewett
01:13:59 Linda McCulloch

Closing by Sponsor:

01:14:41 Rep. Washburn
[EXHIBIT\(sts50a08\)](#)

HEARING ON HB 200

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:17:08 Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), HD 20, opened the hearing on HB 200, Revise
election laws; prohibit certain electioneering.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:18:41 Sen. Brown
01:19:18 Rep. Fitzpatrick
01:20:08 Sen. Blewett
01:21:22 Rep. Fitzpatrick

Proponents' Testimony: (out of order)

01:22:25 Linda Gryczan, Montana Women's Lobby

Closing by Sponsor:

01:22:40 Rep. Fitzpatrick

HEARING ON HB 122

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:23:08 Rep. Bryce Bennett (D), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 122, Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems.

01:24:18 Sen. Webb entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:25:59 Melanie Symons, Montana Public Employee Retirement Association (MPERA)
[EXHIBIT\(sts50a09\)](#)

01:29:49 Sheryl Wood, Associate Director, Montana Association Of Counties (MACo)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:30:29 Sen. Brown

01:31:00 Melanie Symons, MPERA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:31:52 Rep. Bennett

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

Nadine Spencer, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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