

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

**Call to Order:** Vice Chair Llew Jones, on March 11, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (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)  
Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch  
Elizabeth Whiting, 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: HB 286, 3/8/2013  
Executive Action: HB 351 - Be Concurred In

**HEARING ON HB 286**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:14:40 Rep. Clarena Brockie (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HB 286, Allowing board of regents to waive tuition and fees for certain students.

[EXHIBIT\(eds52a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(eds52a02\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:18:26 Rep. Nancy Ballance (R), HD 89

[EXHIBIT\(eds52a03\)](#)

00:20:31 Shane Morigeau, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)

[EXHIBIT\(eds52a04\)](#)

00:23:08 Leona Kienenburger, self

00:25:19 Dustin Monroe, Western Native Voice (WNV)

00:26:36 Amy Stiffarm, self

00:30:40 Dennis Parman, Deputy Superintendent of the Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:31:57 Jim Higgins, Montana National Guard Association (MNGA)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:33:14 Kevin McRae, Associate Commissioner for Communications and Human Resources, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

00:34:32 Sen. Windy Boy

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:35:02 Sen. Lewis

00:36:07 Rep. Brockie

00:37:05 Sen. Lewis

00:37:13 Sen. Moore

00:37:38 Kevin McRae, OCHE

00:38:45 Sen. Moore

00:40:28 Rep. Ballance

00:40:42 Sen. Brown

00:42:11 Kevin McRae

00:42:53 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy

00:44:15 Rep. Ballance

00:44:23 Sen. Facey

00:45:14 Kevin McRae

00:45:26 Sen. Facey

00:45:40 Sen. Windy Boy

00:46:35 Sen. Jones

00:47:11 Rep. Ballance

00:47:19 Sen. Jones

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:47:37 Rep. Brockie

**[EXHIBIT\(eds52a05\)](#)**

00:50:02 Sen. Windy Boy left the hearing.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 351**

00:51:44 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **HB 351 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen, Sen. Peterson and Sen. Windy Boy voted by proxy. Sen. Facey will carry the bill.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:42 p.m.

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Elizabeth Whiting, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([eds52aad.pdf](#))**