

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Jon Sonju, on March 12, 2013 at 9:00 AM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jon Sonju, Chair (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Dee Brown (R)
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 321, 3/4/2013; SR 19, 3/4/2013; SR 18, 3/4/2013; SR 17, 3/4/2013

Executive Action: SR 19, Be Adopted; SR 18, Be Adopted.

HEARING ON HB 321

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:11 Rep. Edward Greef (R), HD 90, opened the hearing on HB 321. Coordinate state time limits with federal law on consumer reports.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:20 Jessie Luther, Consumer Data Industry Association (CDIA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:40:05 Steve Cape, Montana Coalition for Safety and Justice (MCSJ)

[EXHIBIT\(bus53a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(bus53a02\)](#)

00:52:16 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI Montana)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:54:33 Chairman Sonju
00:54:39 Ms. Luther, CDIA
0:57:29 Sen. Moore
00:57:40 Ms. Luther

Closing by Sponsor:

00:58:19 Rep. Greef
00:59:51 Chairman Sonju
01:00:50 Sen. Jackson took over as Vice Chair.

HEARING ON SR 19

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:01:01 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SR 19. Confirm Governor's appointee to head the department of commerce.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:03:57 Sen. Dee Brown, SD 2
01:01:50 Meg O'Leary - Appointee, Director of Commerce (DOC)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

01:05:01 Sen. Sonju

HEARING ON SR 18

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:05:42 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SR 18. Confirm Governor's appointee as commissioner of dept. of labor and industry.

[EXHIBIT\(bus53a03\)](#)

01:06:17 Sen. Facey and Sen. Van Dyk entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:06:48 Pam Bucy, Appointee, Commissioner of Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

01:12:14 Cary Hegreberg, Executive Director, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

01:13:05 Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy, SD 21

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:13:51 Sen. Facey

01:13:58 Ms. Bucy, DLI

01:14:22 Sen. Brown

01:16:38 Ms. Bucy

Closing by Sponsor:

01:16:57 Sen. Sonju

01:18:07 Brief Recess

01:26:18 Resume

01:26:27 Sen. Arntzen and Sen. Vuckovich entered the hearing.

(Note: Sen. Sonju re-opened the hearing as Chair.)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 19

01:26:40 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SR 19 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

01:26:55 Chairman Sonju

01:27:11 Sen. Brown

01:27:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 18

01:28:02 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SR 18 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

01:28:12 Sen. Barrett

01:28:29 Chairman Sonju

01:28:40 Sen. Arntzen

01:29:14 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote.

01:29:33 Vice Chair Jackson took over as Chair from Chairman Sonju.

HEARING ON SR 17

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:29:50 Sen. Jon Sonju (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SR 17. Confirm Governor's appointees to the board of funeral service.

[EXHIBIT\(bus53a04\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:31:22 John Tarr, Appointee, Montana Board of Funeral Service (MBFS)

01:35:50 Bart Thompson, Appointee, Montana Board of Funeral Service (MBFS)

01:39:32 Ron Brothers, Appointee, Montana Board of Funeral Service (MBFS)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:44:30 Erin MacLean, Executive Director, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

[EXHIBIT\(bus53a05\)](#)

01:54:38 Travis Newman, Licensee, Montana Board of Funeral Service (MBFS)

Informational Testimony:

01:59:36 Stacey Otterstrom, Advisor, Gov. Bullock's Boards and Commissions
 01:59:59 Susan Ames, Advisor, former Gov. Schweitzer's Boards and Commissions

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:00:38 Sen. Brown
 02:02:07 Ms. MacLean, MFDA
 02:02:50 Sen. Barrett
 02:03:21 Ms. Ames, Advisor
 02:04:35 Sen. Moore
 02:05:56 Ms. MacLean
 02:06:13 Sen. Van Dyk
 02:11:25 Ms. MacLean
 02:11:52 Sen. Facey
 02:12:32 Mr. Tarr, MBFS Appointee
 02:13:58 Sen. Brown
 02:14:28 Mr. Tarr
 02:14:35 Sen. Brown
 02:18:22 Jack Kane, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)
 02:18:49 Sen. Arntzen
 02:19:49 Mr. Tarr
 02:22:49 Sen. Arntzen
 02:22:53 Mr. Tarr

 02:22:54 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy left the hearing.

 02:22:58 Sen. Barrett
 02:26:02 Mr. Kane, DLI
 02:26:32 Sen. Arntzen
 02:26:48 Mr. Thompson, MBFS Appointee

 02:33:00 Sen. Moore left the hearing.

 02:33:44 Sen. Arntzen
 02:34:02 Mr. Brothers, MBFS Appointee
 02:39:18 Sen. Arntzen
 02:39:23 Mr. Tarr

Closing by Sponsor:

02:41:35 Sen. Sonju

(Note: Chairman Sonju assumed the position of chair.)

02:43:13 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 02:43:45 Sen. Arntzen

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:17 A.M.

Linda Keim, Secretary

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