

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Sarah Laszloffy, on January 12, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Sarah Laszloffy, Chair (R)
Rep. Debra Lamm, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jeff Essmann (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. G. Bruce Meyers (R)
Rep. Matthew Monforton (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon (R)
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)

Staff Present: Laura Sankey, Legislative Services Division
Nadia Zylawy, 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 162, 1/8/2015; HB 163, 1/8/2015

00:00:01 Chair Laszloffy

HEARING ON HB 163

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:48 Rep Schwaderer
Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 163, Prohibit limitation of certain schools participation in high school sports.

00:02:07 Rep. B. Bennett entered.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:04:53 Rep. Kelker
00:05:09 Rep. Schwaderer
00:05:55 Rep. Kelker
00:06:22 Rep. Schwaderer
00:07:02 Rep. Salomon
00:07:41 Rep. Schwaderer
00:08:53 Rep. B. Bennett
00:09:28 Dennis Parman, Deputy Superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
00:10:03 Rep. B. Bennett
00:10:09 Dennis Parman, OPI
00:12:31 Rep. Kelker
00:13:32 Rep. Schwaderer
00:14:00 Rep. Essmann
00:14:37 Rep. Schwaderer
00:15:13 Rep. Essmann
00:15:53 Rep. B. Bennett
00:16:25 Dennis Parman, OPI
00:17:14 Rep. Kelker
00:18:05 Rep. Schwaderer
00:19:02 Rep. Funk
00:19:32 Rep. Schwaderer
00:20:01 Rep. Essmann
00:20:37 Rep. Schwaderer
00:20:43 Rep. Essmann
00:20:58 Rep. Schwaderer
00:21:08 Rep. Essmann
00:21:19 Rep. Schwaderer

00:21:26 Rep. Salomon
00:21:58 Rep. Schwaderer
00:22:33 Chair Laszloffy
00:22:42 Rep. Hertz
00:23:03 Shane Morigeau, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
00:24:40 Chair Laszloffy

Closing by Sponsor:

00:24:49 Rep. Schwaderer
00:25:39 Chair Laszloffy

HEARING ON HB 162

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:25:48 Rep. Nicholas Schwaderer (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 162, Revise laws related to the Montana digital academy.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:32:30 Dennis Parman, Office of Public Instruction, (OPI)
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00:38:32 Bob Vogel, Director of Governmental Regulations, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)
00:40:28 Marco Ferro, Director of Public Policy and Professional Development, Montana Educators Association-Montana Federation of Teachers, (MEA-MFT)
00:42:46 Dave Puyear, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)
00:44:33 Dr. Anna Baldwin, Arlee High School Teacher, Montana Digital Academy (MTDA), 2014 Montana Teacher of the Year
00:47:34 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)
00:49:08 Kent Kultgen, Helena School District 1, (HSD1)
00:50:44 Joe Cohenour, Helena Public School Board Trustee
00:52:22 Dianne Burke, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC); Faculty at University of Montana (UM)

Informational Testimony:

00:53:50 Rep. Hollandsworth, HD 27

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:54:43 Rep. McClafferty
00:55:05 Robert Currie, Montana Digital Academy (MTDA)

00:58:09 Rep. Kelker
00:58:38 Robert Currie, MTDA
00:59:36 Rep. Lamm
01:01:36 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:01:44 Rep. Lamm
01:01:55 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:02:43 Rep. Price
01:03:07 Jason Neiffer, Montana Digital Academy (MTDA)
01:04:45 Rep. Price
01:04:55 Jason Neiffer, MTDA
01:05:37 Rep. Price
01:05:50 Jason Neiffer, MTDA
01:05:59 Rep. Essmann
01:07:05 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:09:14 Rep. Hertz
01:09:39 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:10:43 Rep. Hertz
01:10:57 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:11:42 Rep. Hertz
01:11:57 Robert Currie, MTDA
01:12:17 Chair Laszloffy
01:12:28 Rep. Essmann
01:13:30 Rep. Schwaderer
01:13:53 Rep. Salomon
01:14:34 Bob Vogel, MTSBA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:15:05 Rep. Schwaderer
01:18:40 Chair Laszloffy

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:19:39

Nadia Zylawy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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