

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Jeff Essmann, on March 25, 2015 at 11:00 AM, in Room 455
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jeff Essmann, Chair (R)
Rep. Bill Harris, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Bob Brown (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Debra Lamm (R)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)
Rep. Art Wittich (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jennifer Petersen, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

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: Executive Action Only

00:00:01 Chair Essmann
00:03:21 Rep. Mandeville
00:03:40 Chair Essmann
00:03:44 Vice Chair Schreiner
00:04:13 Chair Essmann

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 594

00:04:45 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division, LSD
00:05:26 Chair Essmann

00:05:41 **Motion:** Rep. Harris moved that **HB 594 DO PASS.**

00:07:57 Chair Essmann

00:08:03 **Motion:** Rep. Wittich moved that **HB 594 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(sth62a01)

Discussion:

00:12:49 Rep. Funk
00:14:05 Chair Essmann
00:16:07 Rep. B. Bennett
00:17:33 Rep. B. Brown
00:18:31 Vice Chair Schreiner
00:19:21 Rep. Wittich
00:21:54 Rep. Greef
00:23:23 Chair Essmann
00:24:11 Rep. McKamey
00:25:08 Jonathan Motl, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)
00:25:29 Rep. McKamey
00:25:39 Chair Essmann
00:25:42 Rep. McKamey
00:26:46 Chair Essmann
00:26:51 Rep. Karjala
00:28:23 Vice Chair Harris
00:29:55 Rep. Shaw
00:31:48 Rep. Hayman
00:33:53 Rep. Garner
00:35:09 Rep. Lamm
00:35:30 Chair Essmann
00:35:55 Rep. Lamm
00:36:10 Rep. Mandeville
00:37:45 Chair Essmann
00:37:51 Rep. B. Bennett
00:38:33 Rep. Wittich
00:39:56 Rep. Funk
00:41:06 Chair Essmann
00:42:05 Vice Chair Schreiner

00:42:20 **Vote:** Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with Rep. B. Brown, Rep. Essmann, Rep. Greef, Rep. Harris, Rep. Knudsen, Rep. Lamm, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. McKamey, Rep. Mortensen and Rep. Wittich voting aye. Rep. Knudsen and Rep. Webber voted by proxy.

00:43:48 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 594 BE AMENDED, striking \$250 from HB059403.asc and replacing it with \$1,000.**

Discussion:

00:44:22 Rep. B. Bennett

00:44:47 Rep. Mandeville

00:45:34 Chair Essmann

00:45:46 Rep. Wittich

00:48:01 Vice Chair Schreiner

00:49:53 Rep. McKamey

00:51:29 Rep. Garner

00:52:35 Vice Chair Harris

00:53:50 Jonathan Motl, COPP

00:54:42 Without objection, Rep. Essmann **withdrew the BE AMENDED** motion.

00:55:51 Vice Chair Schreiner

00:55:58 Without objection, Rep. Harris **withdrew the DO PASS** motion.

00:56:09 Vice Chair Schreiner

00:56:54 Chair Essmann

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:57:58

Jennifer Petersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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