

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Steve Lavin, on February 22, 2017 at 3:30 PM, in Room 317
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Lavin, Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Garner, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. George G. Kipp III, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Alan Doane (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Abigail Konen, Committee Secretary
Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch
Megan Moore, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 473, 2/16/2017

HEARING ON HB 473**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:55 Rep. Frank Garner (R), HD 7, Revise highway revenue laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:20 Director Dan Villa, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

00:16:33 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a02\)](#)

00:27:29 Tim Burton, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a04\)](#)

00:31:08 John Morgan, Butte-Silver Bow Council of Commissioners, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)

00:32:49 Ron Alles, City Manager of Helena

00:36:08 Tom Butler, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP)

00:37:21 Chris Kukulski, City of Bozeman

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a05\)](#)

00:41:23 John Engen, City of Missoula

00:44:44 Richard Clark, City of Billings

00:45:44 JD Lynch, Montana State Building and Construction Trades, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), and Teamsters #2

00:46:19 Mayor Bob Kelly, Great Falls

00:48:28 Doug Russell, City of Kalispell

00:50:41 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a07\)](#)

00:54:23 Shane Gorder, Richland County

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a08\)](#)

00:56:18 Commissioner John Ostlund, Yellowstone County, Montana Association of Counties Transportation Committee (MACo)

00:58:50 Laura Obert, Broadwater County

00:59:24 Doug Nisbet, Montana Association of County Road Supervisors (MACRS) and Lewis and Clark County Road and Bridge Superintendent

01:01:01 Jon Metropoulos, Montana Association of Oil, Gas, and Coal Counties (MAOGCC)

01:02:13 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a09\)](#)

01:05:56 Aimee Grmoljez, Ash Grove Cement

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a10\)](#)

01:06:20 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a11\)](#)

01:11:01 Dan Karlin, Montana American Society of Civil Engineers, (ASCE)

EXHIBIT(trh39a12)

01:15:52 Commissioner Duane Mitchell, Richland County and Sidney

EXHIBIT(trh39a13)

01:16:27 Chris Cavazos, Montana American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)

01:16:58 Kim Rickard, Laborers Local 1686

01:17:20 Mario Martinez, Carpenters, Pile Drivers, and Mill Rights

01:17:49 Steve Gross, International Unit Of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 400

01:18:16 John Johnson, International Unit Of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 400

01:18:31 Hal Fuglevand, MDU Resources

01:19:34 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Chamber of Commerce

01:20:01 Jim Davison, Montana Economic Developers Association (MEDA)

01:21:36 Carson Taylor, Bozeman

01:22:38 Melissa Lewis, Shelby

01:23:05 Don McCammom, HDR Engineering, American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) Montana

01:27:06 Brent Campbell, WGM Group

01:28:25 Phill Forbes, Morrison Maierle

EXHIBIT(trh39a14)

01:29:45 Byron Stahly, Stahly Engineering and Associates

01:31:40 Jay Skoog, American Council of Engineering Companies of Montana (ACEC-MT)

EXHIBIT(trh39a15)

01:32:37 Deb Poteet, Poeet Construction

01:32:55 Dave Crawford, TD&H Engineering

01:33:47 Trevor Livesay, Montana Lines

01:34:29 Michael Clairmont, Self

01:35:05 Jason Rittal, Fallon County

01:35:18 Bob Morrison, Morrison Maierle Engineers

01:35:55 Austin Walker, Great Falls Development Authority and Montana Infrastructure Coalition

01:36:23 Darryl Stordahl, Self

01:36:59 Shaheen Siddiqui, Self

01:37:27 Greg Doyon, City Manager of Great Falls

01:37:47 Wendy Judisch, Conrad

01:38:13 Ed Bartlett, Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce and Billings

01:38:34 Ted Barkley, Belgrade

01:39:05 Cyndy Andrus, Bozeman

01:39:35 Webb Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce and Montana Infrastructure Coalition

EXHIBIT(trh39a16)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:40:27 Rep. Carl Glimm

01:42:17 Brent Mead, Montana Policy Institute

01:46:04 Steve Slagle, Self

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a17\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

01:52:30 Sam Schaefer, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a18\)](#)

01:52:57 Larry Flynn, Montana Department of Transportation, (MDT)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a19\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a20\)](#)

01:56:51 Director Angus Maciver, Legislative Audit Division (LAD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:57:27 Rep. McKamey

01:59:14 Rep. Glimm

01:59:46 Rep. Loge

02:00:33 Larry Flynn, MDT

02:01:02 Rep. Loge

02:01:22 Rep. Trebas

02:04:32 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

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02:06:43 Rep. Trebas

02:07:15 Dan Villa, OBPP

02:08:33 Rep. Shaw

02:08:55 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

[EXHIBIT\(trh39a21\)](#)

02:12:17 Rep. Shaw

02:16:32 Rep. Glimm

02:18:39 Rep. Grubbs

02:22:38 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

02:23:24 Rep. Grubbs

02:23:30 Chair Lavin

02:23:34 Darryl James, Montana Infrastructure Coalition

02:23:59 Tom Butler, MHP

02:24:26 Rep. Swanson

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03:08:59 Chair Lavin

Closing by Sponsor:

03:09:38 Rep. Garner

03:17:45 Chair Lavin

ADJOURNMENT

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Abigail Konen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([trh39aad.pdf](#))