

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN GAY ANN MASOLO**, on January 25, 1999  
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 312 - 1 Capitol.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Gay Ann Masolo, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bob Lawson, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Linda McCulloch, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)  
Rep. Tom Facey (D)  
Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)  
Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro (D)  
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)  
Rep. John L. Holden (R)  
Rep. Sam Kitzenberg (R)  
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)  
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)  
Rep. Joe McKenney (R)  
Rep. Mark Noennig (R)  
Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)  
Rep. Sam Rose (R)  
Rep. Diana Wyatt (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Allan Walters (R)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Connie Erickson, Legislative Branch  
Linda Scott, Committee Secretary

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and  
discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing Dated: SJ 2, 1/25/1999  
Executive Action: SJ 2; SB 56; SB 79; SB 80;  
HJ 1; HB 304

HEARING ON SJ 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor: Senator Sue Barlett

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**EXHIBIT** (edh19a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

Wayne Buchanan, B.P.E.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 65 - 80}

Bill Cooper, Deputy O.P.I.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 81 - 84}

Don Waldron, M.R.E.A.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 88 - 105}

**EXHIBIT** (edh19a02)

Charles Brooks, Billings Chamber of Commerce

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 107 - 127}

Terry Minow, M.E.A./M.F.T.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 129 - 133}

Tom Schnuder, M.P.E.A.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 135 - 147}

Frank Cote, Deputy, State Auditor

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 149 - 158}

Jeanne Bauman, Mt. Credit Unions League

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 160 - 175}

Gerry Bantz, A.A.R.D., retired teacher from E.HelenaTape

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 177 - 181}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 182 - 236}

Closing by Sponsor: Senator Sue Bartlett

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 238 - 242}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 2

**Motion:** REP. ROSE moved that SJ 2 BE CONCURRED IN.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 245 - 246}

**Discussion:**  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 247 - 280}

**Motion/Vote:** REP. LAWSON moved that SJ 2 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 281 - 285}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 56

**Motion:** REP. ROSE moved that SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 286 - 288}

**Discussion and clarification on Amendment**  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 289 - 320}

**Motion/Vote:** REP. LAWSON moved that SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 322 - 324}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 79

**Motion:** REP. MCCULLOCH moved that SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 325 - 327}

**Motion:** REP. FUCHS moved that SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 328 - 329}

**Discussion and clarification on Amendment**  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 330 - 341}

**Motion/Vote:** REP. FUCHS moved that SB 56 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 343 - 348}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 80

**Motion/Vote:** REP. LAWSON moved that SB 80 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried unanimously.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 365 - 369}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 1

**Motion:** REP. MCCULLOCH moved that HJ 1 DO PASS.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 382 - 384}

**Discussion and clarification about HJ 1**  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 385 - 438}

**Motion/Vote:** REP. ROSE moved that HJ 1 DO PASS. Motion carried 16-2 with Rep. Rehbein and Walters voting no.  
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 439 - 458}

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 103**

**Motion:** REP. MCCULLOCH moved that HB 103 DO PASS.  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 501 - 502}

**Motion:** REP. LAWSON moved that HB 103 BE AMENDED.  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 503 - 506}

**Discussion and clarification about HB 103**  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 508 - 817; Comments : Discussion ended with the committee deciding to wait to take action on this bill at a later date}

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 304**

**Motion:** REP. NOENNIG moved that HB 304 DO PASS.  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 860 - 864}

**Discussion about HB 304**  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 866 - 906}

**Motion/Vote:** REP. LINDEEN moved that HB 304 DO PASS. Motion carried 16-2 with Reps. Rehbein and Walters voting no.  
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 908 - 917}

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 236**

**Rep. Galvin-Halcro suggests Committee waits for amendments.**  
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 4 - 8}

**Rep. Rehbein agrees;stating Rep. McCann is not comfortable with the second set of amendments.**

*{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 10 - 15}*

Masolo suggests Committee take action on HB 236

*{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 16 - 18}*

Discussion continued about HB 236

*{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 19 - 106}*

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

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REP. GAY ANN MASOLO, Chairman

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LINDA SCOTT, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT (edh19aad)**