

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT BRAINARD**, on February 9, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 420 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Brainard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Toni Hagener, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Allan Walters, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Tom Dell (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)
Rep. Douglas Mood (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bill Tash (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Doug Wagner (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Karen Mills, Committee Secretary

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

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: 457, 432, 2/6/1999; 241,
2/6/1999; 468, 2/6/1999
Executive Action: HB 258, HB 349 Tabled: HB
256, 268, 280

HEARING ON HB 457

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. SAM KITZENBERG

EXHIBIT(sth32a01)**EXHIBIT**(sth32a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.2 - 10.6}

Proponents' Testimony:

SHIRLEY BALL, Written **EXHIBIT**(sth32a03)

TIM BABCOCK, Ex-Governor of Mt.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.7 - 18.1}

RON DEYOUNG, Rep. of Mt. Farmer's Union

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.3 - 19}

BOB STEPHENS, Mt. Grain Growers Assoc.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 19.1 - 19.7}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

JOHN BLACKER, Administrator of Maintenance Div. of Transportation
Dept.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20.1 - 24.4}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.6 - 31}

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 19}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. SAM KITZENBERG

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 19.1 - 21.4}

HEARING ON HB 432

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. CARLEY TUSS

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22 - 23.1}

Proponents' Testimony:

ANGELA FULTZ, Chief Deputy of Sec. of State's Office

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 23.2 - 24.6}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 25.3 - 27.8}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. CARLEY TUSS

HEARING ON HB 241

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. BRENNAN RYAN **EXHIBIT**(sth32a04)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.2 - 2.1}

Proponents' Testimony:

JOE KERWIN, Dep. Sec. of State for Elections

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.2 - 9.3}

ROBERT THROSSEL, Mt. Assoc. of Clerks and Recorders

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 9.6 - 10.5}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11 - 23.7}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. BRENNEN RYAN

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.8 - 25.2}

HEARING ON HB 468

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. MATT BRAINARD

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 26.6 - 31}

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 0.3}

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.3 - 16.6}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. MATT BRAINARD

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 16.7 - 18.6}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 256

Motion: REP. GOLIE moved HB 256 DO PASS

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter :19.6 - 19.7}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter :19.7 - 22.8}

Motion/Vote: REP. ADAMS moved HB 256 be tabled. The motion carried 11-6; with REPS. GOLIE, RYAN, MANGAN, TASH, DELL AND THOMAS VOTING NO.

{Tape :2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22.8 - 23.8}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 117

Motion: REP. MANGAN moved to take HB 117 off the table.

{Tape :2; Side B: Approx. Time Counter :23.8 - 24.0}

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 1.2}

Discussion:

{Tape :3; Side :A; Approx. Time Counter :1.2 - 4.0 }

Motion/Vote: The committee voted to lift HB 117 off the table; Motion failed 8-9. Remains tabled.

{Tape :3; Side :A; Approx. Time Counter :4.5 - 6.8 }

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 268

Motion: REP. WALTER moved DO PASS on HB 268

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.1 - 7.2}

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.2 - 11.4}

Motion/Vote: REP. LINDEEN made a motion to table HB 268; motion carried 15-2; REPS. WALTERS AND THOMAS voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.4 - 13}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 258

Motion: REP. HAGENER moved a DO PASS on HB 258

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.1 - 14.2}

Motion: REP. TASH moved HB 258 be amended per exhibit HB025801.ash

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.2 - 15}

Motion/Vote: The motion carried unanimously to pass as amended.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 15 - 16.8}

Motion: REP. LINDEEN moved HB 258 DO PASS as amended

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 16.9 - 22.4}

Vote: The motion carried 15-2; REPS. WAGNER AND WALTERS voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.8 - 22.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 349

Motion: REP. HAGENER moved DO PASS on HB 349

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.5 - 29.5}

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.7 - 29.8}

Motion/Vote: REP. LINDEEN moved to DO PASS on HB 349. Motion carried 17-0.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.8 - 31}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 280

Motion: REP. HAGENER moved HB 280 DO PASS

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 2}

Discussion:

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 2 - 5.5}

Motion/Vote: REP. LINDEEN moved to table HB 280. The motion carried 17-0 unanimous.

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.5 - 6.0}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:57 A.M.

REP. MATT BRAINARD, Chairman

KAREN MILLS, Secretary

MB/KM

EXHIBIT (sth32aad)