

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT BRAINARD**, on March 2, 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): March 2, 1999
Executive Action:
Posted: SB 57, 3/2/1999; SB 70, 3/2/1999; SB 5,
3/2/1999

HEARING ON SB 57

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. SPOOK STANG
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.9 - 2.9}

LOIS MENZIES, Dir. of Dept. of Admin. **EXHIBIT**(sth47a01)
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.9 - 7.4}

MARVIN PAGE, Dept. of Transportation,
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.5 - 7.9}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
REPS; THOMAS, WAGNER, HEDGES, BRAINARD, SMITH, BRAINARD
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.9 - 22.3}

Closing by Sponsor : SEN. SPOOK STANG
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.5 - 23.9}

HEARING ON SB 70

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. SPOOK STANG
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.2 - 25}

Proponents' Testimony:

JIM JACOBSEN, Mt. Veteran's Affairs Div.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.6 - 29.6}

HALL MANSON, Ct, Mt. Veteran's Affairs Div.
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 0.9}

JOAN SLOAN, D.A.V. of Mt.
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1 - 1.1}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
REPS; WAGNER, BRAINARD
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1.1 - 4.7}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. SPOOK STANG
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 4.8 - 5}

HEARING ON SB 82

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. STEVE DOHERTY
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.6 - 5.9}

Proponents' Testimony:

STEVE BULLOCK, Dept. of Justice **EXHIBIT**(sth47a02)
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.9 - 21.8}

MIKE VOELLER, Mt. Lee Newspaper Assoc. **EXHIBIT**(sth47a03)
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22 - 23.4}

JOHN GOODLAND, Mt. A.P. and Hotliner
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 23.8 - 24.4}

FRANK CODY, Dept. Ins. Comm./State Auditor
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 24.5 - 26.1}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS; MANGAN, WAGNER LINDEEN, TASH, DELL, ANDERSEN, BRAINARD
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 26.1 - 30.1}
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 27.0}

Testimonial Witness:

DEBRA FULTON, Dept. of Medical Records and Services
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.5 - 27.0}

Discussion:

REPS; HEDGES, BRAINARD AND LINDEEN
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.2 - 28.9}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. SPOOK STANG
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28.9 - 30.6}

HEARING ON SB 5

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. JON TESTER
{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1.4 - 2.5}

Proponents' Testimony:

KELLY JENKINS, PERS BOARD
{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 2.5 - 3.9}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REP.; HEDGES
{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 4.4 - 7.2}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. JON TESTER

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 7.3 - 7.5}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:12 A.M.

REP. MATT BRAINARD, Chairman

KAREN MILLS, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (sth47aad)