Call to Order: By Chairman John Sinrud, on January 26, 2007 at 2:30 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
- Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
- Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
- Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
- Rep. Bill Beck (R)
- Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
- Rep. Edith Clark (R)
- Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
- Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
- Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
- Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
- Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
- Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
- Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
- Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
- Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
- Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
- Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
- Rep. Jack Wells (R)
- Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
- Jon Moe, 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 335, 1/18/2007
- Executive Action: None
HEARING ON HB 335

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 335, Appropriate funding for Great Falls College of Technology.

Proponents' Testimony:

- Rep. Llew Jones
- Rep. Rick Ripley
- Brett Doney, President, Great Falls Development Authority
- Donna Stebbins, Mayor of Great Falls
- Brian Dunn, School Superintendent, Great Falls
- Amy Astin, BENEFIS Health Care
- Brian Talcott, President, James Talcott Construction
- Jed Swift, citizen, Great Falls
- Glen Bliss, Great Falls Chamber of Commerce; General Distributing Company
- John Harding, Great Falls Home Owners Association

EXHIBIT (aph18a01)

- Colleen Hazen, concerned citizen; faculty member, MSU, Great Falls
- Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors' Association
- Sen. Mitch Tropila
- Dustin Stewart, MT Building Association
- Erik Burke, MEA/MFT
- Will Weaver, citizen, retired Dean, MSU College of Technology
- Sen. Joe Tropila

Opponents' Testimony:

Informational Testimony:

- Mary Sheehy Moe, Dean and CEO, MSU Great Falls, College of Technology
- Jim Whaley, Project Manager, MSU, Great Falls

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- Rep. Kasten
- Ms. Moe
- Rep. Kasten
00:38:15 Mr. Talcott
00:40:25 Rep. Sinrud
00:40:41 Rep. Taylor
00:41:58 Rep. Dickenson
00:42:52 Rep. Morgan
00:44:34 Ms. Moe
00:47:47 Rep. Franklin
00:48:41 Ms. Moe
00:51:36 Rep. Witte
00:52:35 Mr. Whaley,
00:54:18 Rep. Beck
00:54:45 Ms. Moe
00:55:13 Rep. Wells
00:55:57 Mr. Whaley
00:57:02 Rep. Wells
00:57:29 Rep. Dickenson
00:59:32 Rep. Witte
00:59:59 Rep. Dickenson
01:01:33 Rep. Sinrud
01:01:54 Rep. Dickenson

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:52 Rep. Dickenson
01:06:32 Rep. Sinrud

Additional Exhibits:

Document pertaining to HB 222 Hearing date 1/23/07
EXHIBIT(aph18a02)
ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:40 P.M.

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REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

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LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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