

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Wendy McKamey, on March 19, 2021 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Wendy McKamey, Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Ed Hill (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Brian Putnam (R)
Rep. Linda Reksten (R)
Rep. Tyson T. Running Wolf (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: John Bergoffen, Committee Secretary
Coleen Street, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch
Pad McCracken, 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 287, 3/17/2021; HB 351, 3/17/2021
Executive Action: HB 613; SB 351; SB 226; SB 350; SB 224; SB 319

09:01:52 Chair McKamey
09:01:53 Rep. Putnam joined the hearing.

HEARING ON SB 287

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:02:31 Sen. Walt Sales (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 287, Generally revise public project financing laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:06:55 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Bankers Association (MBA)
09:13:49 Tom Severson, First Interstate Bank of Missoula
09:15:35 Amy Grmoljez, Montana Bankers Association (MBA)
09:18:26 Mark Bruno, Department of Administration (DOA)
09:19:32 Chris Puyear, Montana Independent Bankers Association (MIBA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

09:21:21 Dan Villa, Montana Board of Investments (MBOI)
09:21:44 Adam Gill, Montana Facility Finance Authority
09:22:09 Rep. Runningwolf joined the meeting.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:22:27 Rep. Putnam
09:22:58 Rep. Sales
09:23:14 Dan Villa, MBOI
09:23:39 Rep. Hayman
09:24:23 Amy Grmoljez, MBA
09:24:56 Rep. Custer
09:25:34 Dan Villa, MBOI
09:26:42 Rep. Custer
09:27:03 Dan Villa, MBOI
09:27:41 Rep. Hill
09:28:21 Tom Severson, First Interstate Bank of Missoula
09:30:24 Rep. Frazer
09:30:49 Sen. Sales
09:31:28 Rep. Reksten
09:32:01 Dan Villa, MBOI

Closing by Sponsor:

09:32:34 Sen. Sales

HEARING ON SB 351

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:35:25 Sen. Bryce Bennett (D), SD 50, opened the hearing on SB 351, Revise ballot tabulation dates for counties.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:39:02 Monica Eisenzimer, Flathead County Clerk and Recorders
09:40:35 Regina Plettenberg, Montana Association of Clerk and Recorders (MACR)

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:43:19 Rep. Greef
09:43:37 Regina Plettenberg, MACR

Closing by Sponsor:

09:45:25 Sen. Bennett

09:46:03 Rep. Hayman joined the meeting.
09:47:47 Rep. Putnam
09:48:31 Chair McKamey

09:50:04 Recess
10:33:17 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 613

10:33:29 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **HB 613 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:33:43 Rep. Runningwolf

10:34:23 **Motion:** Rep. Running Wolf moved that **HB 613 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(sth55a01)

Discussion:

10:34:47 Rep. Custer
10:35:27 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
10:44:36 Chair McKamey
10:45:04 Rep. Custer
10:46:17 Hope Stockwell, LSD
10:47:45 Rep. Custer
10:47:59 Rep. Hill
10:48:38 Chair McKamey
10:48:44 Hope Stockwell, LSD
10:49:51 Rep. Whitman
10:50:15 Rep. Putnam
10:51:04 Rep. Runningwolf
10:52:46 Rep. Reksten
10:53:10 Chair McKamey
10:53:21 Hope Stockwell, LSD
10:55:05 Rep. Reksten

10:55:33 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

10:56:44 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **HB 613 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:56:54 Rep. Dooling

10:57:26 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 351

10:59:00 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 351 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

10:59:16 Rep. Custer

10:59:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Rep. Hill will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 287

11:01:31 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 287 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

11:01:45 Rep. Bertoglio

11:02:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Dooling moved that **SB 287 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(sth55a02)

11:03:11 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 287 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Rep. Dooling will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 226

11:04:26 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 226 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

11:05:01 Rep. Binkley

11:05:26 Rep. Kortum

11:05:56 Rep. Putnam

11:06:31 Chair McKamey

11:06:35 Rep. Putnam

11:07:00 Pad McCracken, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

11:08:13 Rep. Putnam

11:08:44 Rep. Kortum
11:09:09 Rep. Custer
11:09:58 Rep. Kortum

11:10:17 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Hill, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf, Rep. F. Smith and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Rep. Binkley will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 350

11:12:20 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 350 BE CONCURRED IN.**

11:12:47 **Motion:** Rep. Hayman moved that **SB 350 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(sth55a03)

Discussion:

11:13:00 Rep. Hayman
11:13:42 Rep. Dooling
11:14:35 Hope Stockwell, LSD
11:14:54 Rep. Hayman
11:15:15 Rep. Dooling

11:16:32 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-15 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf and Rep. F. Smith voting aye. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

11:17:11 Rep. Custer
11:18:04 Rep. Hayman

11:19:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Greef, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf, Rep. F. Smith and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Rep. Dooling will carry the bill.

11:21:39 Chair McKamey
11:22:23 Pad McCracken, LSD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 224

11:22:55 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 224 BE CONCURRED IN.**

11:23:08 **Motion:** Rep. Putnam moved that **SB 224 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(sth55a04)

Discussion:

11:23:31 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:24:14 Rep. Putnam
11:24:27 Chair McKamey
11:24:40 Pad McCracken, LSD

11:26:45 Rep. Putnam
11:27:39 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:29:14 Rep. Putnam
11:29:45 Rep. Hayman
11:29:59 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:30:26 Rep. Hayman
11:30:43 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:30:52 Rep. Putnam
11:31:31 Rep. Greef
11:31:51 Rep. Hill
11:32:11 Rep. Putnam
11:32:37 Rep. Hill
11:32:46 Chair McKamey

11:33:39 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hill and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

11:35:01 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 224 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

11:35:17 Rep. Kortum

11:36:54 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf, Rep. F. Smith and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy. Rep. Putnam will carry the bill.

11:38:30 Chair McKamey

11:38:50 Pad McCracken

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 319

11:38:57 **Motion:** Rep. Greef moved that **SB 319 BE CONCURRED IN.**

11:39:22 **Motion:** Rep. Dooling moved that **SB 319 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(sth55a05)

Discussion:

11:40:06 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:42:19 Rep. Hayman
11:43:20 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:44:51 Chair McKamey
11:45:52 Rep. Custer
11:46:36 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:47:00 Rep. Hayman
11:47:43 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:48:06 Rep. Hayman
11:48:41 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:51:38 Chair McKamey

11:52:53 Rep. Hayman
11:53:18 Rep. Reksten
11:53:58 Chair McKamey
11:54:02 Rep. Putnam
11:54:43 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:55:24 Chair McKamey
11:56:33 Rep. Whitman
11:56:39 Pad McCracken, LSD
11:57:50 Hope Stockwell, LSD

11:58:22 Without objection, Rep. Dooling withdrew the BE AMENDED motion.

11:58:52 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Whitman moved that **SB 319 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 13-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Binkley, Rep. Dooling, Rep. Frazer, Rep. Hill, Rep. Walsh and Rep. Whitman voting no. Rep. Bishop, Rep. Karjala and Rep. Walsh voted by proxy.

12:00:37 Rep. Custer
12:01:02 Rep. Whitman
12:02:00 Rep. Bertoglio
12:02:24 Hope Stockwell, LSD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:03:33

John Bergoffen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth55aad.pdf](#))