

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
MONTANA STATE SENATE

March 17, 1987

The meeting of the Highways and Transportation Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m., March 17, 1987, by Chairman Larry Tveit in Room 410 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members of the Highways and Transportation Committee were present.

CONSIDERATION ON HOUSE BILL 28: Representative Jenkins, House District No. 13, sponsor of the bill, testified that House Bill 28 would distribute fines and forfeitures for gross vehicle weight violations on roads not included in the state maintenance system.

PROPOSERS: There were no proponents.

OPPOSERS: There were no opponents.

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE: Discussion was held by the committee on the fiscal note and House Bill 740 that would relieve justices of the peace from overly burdensome book-keeping and other administrative duties in regard to fines, penalties, and forfeitures paid in their courts.

CLOSING: Representative Jenkins closed by saying that he did not know what was going to be the outcome on House Bill 740, so he urged the committee to pass House Bill 28.

CONSIDERATION ON HOUSE BILL 261: Representative Nathe, House District No. 19 would establish a veterans memorial highway from Butte to Montana-Idaho Border at Monida Pass to the international boundary at Sweetgrass.

PROPOSERS: Rich Brown, Administrator, Veterans Affairs Division, stated on behalf of all of Montana 107,000 veterans we would like to have a favorable vote on House Bill 261. We feel it is something Montana needs.

George Poston, Chairman, United Veterans in Montana.

OPPOSERS: There were none.

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE: There were none.

CLOSING: Representative Nathe testified that there would be no costs in putting plaques in the rest areas.

CONSIDERATION ON HOUSE BILL 493: Representative Nathe, House District No. 19 would require the Department of Highways to erect signs identifying mountain ranges along primary and interstate highways. The Department of Highways would erect at relevant locations signs clearly visible to traffic, identifying each prominent mountain range that is visible to an occupant of a vehicle traveling on a primary or interstate highway in Montana.

PROPOSERS: Don Gruel, Department of Highways, Senator Nathe has outlined House Bill 493 and the department does not see any problems designating the mountain ranges.

OPPOSERS: There were none.

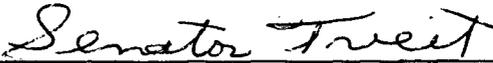
QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE: There were none.

CLOSING: Representative Nathe urged that the committee pass House Bill 493.

DISPOSITION ON HOUSE BILL 493: It was moved and seconded that House Bill 493 BE CONCURRED IN. It was unanimously carried.

DISPOSITION ON HOUSE BILL 261: It was moved and seconded that House Bill 261 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The committee hearing was adjourned.

  
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Senator Larry Tveit, Chairman

ROLL CALL

HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

50th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1987

Date 3/17/87

House Bill 28, 261, 493

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Chairman: Larry Tveit	✓		
Vice Chairman: Lawrence Stimatz	✓		
Senator Hubert J. Abrams	✓		
Senator William Farrell	✓		
Senator Tom Hager	✓		
Senator Sam Hofman	✓		
Senator Ray Lybeck	✓		
Senator Darryl Meyer	✓		
Senator Cecil Weeding	✓		
Senator Bob Williams	✓		

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# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on..... **HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION**.....

having had under consideration..... **HOUSE BILL**..... No. **28**.....

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**CHANGING DISTRIBUTION OF GVM FINES FOR OFFENSE ON COUNTY MAINTAINED  
ROADS**

**Representative Jenkins (Senator Kolstad)**

Respectfully report as follows: That..... **HOUSE BILL**..... No. **28**.....

BE CONCURRED IN

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DO PASS

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DO NOT PASS

..... **Senator Larry Iveit**.....

Chairman.

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on..... **HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION** .....

having had under consideration..... **HOUSE BILL** ..... No. **493**

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**REQUIRE HIGHWAY SIGNS IDENTIFYING MOUNTAIN RANGES**  
**REP. DENNIS MATHE (Senator Tveit)**

Respectfully report as follows: That..... **HOUSE BILL** ..... No. **493**

BE CONCURRED IN

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DO NOT PASS

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**SENATOR TVEIT**

Chairman.

