

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL 188

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN TOM KEATING, on April 17, 1997, at  
8:07, in Room 104.

ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Edward J. "Ed" Grady (R)  
Rep. Matt Denny (R)  
Rep. Joe Quilici (D)  
Sen. Thomas F. Keating (R)  
Sen. Mack Cole (R)  
Sen. Barry "Spook" Stang (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Nan LeFebvre, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Elaine Benedict, House Committee Secretary

HEARING ON HB 188

Discussion:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.3; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Nan LeFebvre. Legislative Fiscal Division

EXHIBITS 1, 2 & 3

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.0; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.4; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Bill Furois, Head of Administrative Services, Department of Corrections.  
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 3.0; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 4.7; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Ms. LeFebvre.  
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 11.7; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 12.6; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Richard Crofts, Commissioner of Higher Education.  
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 12.8; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 15.0; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Jane Hamman, Office of Budget and Program Planning.  
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 16.8; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 17.6; Comments: MR. CROFTS AND MR. FUROIS AND MS. LEFEBVRE ARE RESPONDENTS DURING THIS PORTION OF QUESTIONING.}

EXHIBITS 4, 5 & 6. REP. MATT DENNY

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 188

Amendments: T:\97ses\hb188fcc.mll

Motion: REP. DENNY MOVED AMENDMENT T:\97SES\HB188FCC.MLL DO  
PASS.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 7.3; Comments: SEE EXHIBIT  
1.}

Vote: Motion carried 4-2 with REP. ED GRADY and SEN. SPOOK STANG  
voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 13.5; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. DENNY MOVED THAT THE HOUSE CONCUR IN THE SENATE  
AMENDMENTS, THAT THE COMMITTEE ADOPT THE CURRENT AMENDMENT AND  
THAT THE COMMITTEE CONCUR IN HB 188 AS AMENDED. Motion carried  
with REP. ED GRADY and SEN. SPOOK STANG voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 14.6; Comments: None.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:44

  
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SEN. THOMAS F. KEATING, Chairman

  
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ELAINE BENEDICT, Secretary

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