

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & LABOR**

**Call to Order:** By , CHAIRMAN BRUCE SIMON, on January 21, 1997,  
at 8:00 AM , in Room 104.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Bruce T. Simon, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Paul Sliter, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)  
Rep. Robert J. "Bob" Pavlovich, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)  
Rep. Joe Barnett (R)  
Rep. Rod Bitney (R)  
Rep. Sylvia Bookout-Reinicke (R)  
Rep. Charles R. Devaney (R)  
Rep. David Ewer (D)  
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)  
Rep. Billie Krenzler (D)  
Rep. Bob Lawson (R)  
Rep. Rod Marshall (R)  
Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R)  
Rep. Wes Prouse (R)  
Rep. Carolyn M. Squires (D)  
Rep. Jay Stovall (R)  
Rep. Cliff Trexler (R)  
Rep. Joe Tropila (D)  
Rep. Carley Tuss (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Stephen Maly, Legislative Services Division  
Pati O'Reilly, Committee Secretary

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 185 (1/9/97); HB 232, HB  
240, HB 241 (1/15/97)  
Executive Action: HB 185

**HEARING ON HB 185**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** REP. ERNEST BERGSAGEL, H.D. 95  
introduced the bill.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 1.0; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony: None.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor: None.

#### HEARING ON HB 240

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. CHARLES DEVANEY, H.D. 97 introduced the bill.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 5.6; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

REP. LARRY GRINDE, H.D. 94.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 8.1; Comments: None.}

Don Chance, MT. Building Industry Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 9.5; Comments: None.}

David Owen, Montana Chamber of Commerce.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 11.3; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 13.2; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. DEVANEY closed.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 15.6; Comments: Sub Committee formed: REP. DEVANEY CHAIRMAN, REP. MARSHALL AND REP. EWER.}

#### HEARING ON HB 241

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. DEB KOTTEL introduced the bill. EXHIBIT 1 AND 2.

Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 18.5; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Robert Johnson, Director, Florence Crittenton Home.

EXHIBIT 3.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 29.1; Comments: None.}

Anne Hedges, MT Environmental Center.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 31.1; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony:

Steve Turkiewiz, Montana Auto Dealers.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 32.1; Comments: None.}

David Owen, Director, MT Chamber of Commerce.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 33.3; Comments: None.}

Angela Carroll, MT Mining Association.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 35.3; Comments: None.}

Mike Strand, M. E. I. S.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 35.7; Comments: None.}

Greg Gripper, Energy Share of Montana.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 39.1; Comments: None.}

Steve Bullock, Secretary of State Office.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: .2; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

Joey McGrath, Montana Shares.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 36.0; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 1.0; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Deb Kottel closed.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 15.9; Comments: None.}

HEARING ON HB 232

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. JOHN BOHLINGER, H.D.  
introduced bill.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 17.2; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Bruce Aafedt, Pres. Montana Manufactured Housing Assn.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 24.9; Comments: None.}

Dennis Fergus, Tour America R V Sales.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 27.8; Comments: None.}

Jake Hart, Hart's RV Sales

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 29.6; Comments: None.}

Bill Pierce, Pierce R V Sales, Billings, MT

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 31.5; Comments: None.}

**Stuart Doggett, Exec. Director, MT Auto Dealers and R V Sales**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 35.7; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony:

**Mark Bretz, Bretz R V Sales, Inc. EXHIBIT 5.**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 40.4; Comments: None.}

**Cindy Fredrickson, Big Sky R V Sales. EXHIBIT 4.**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 43.4; Comments: None.}

**Mike Anderson, Missoula, MT**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 4.4; Comments: None}

**Kenneth St. Clair, Good Sam Club**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 5.6; Comments: None}

**Doug Hubbard, Rocky Mtn R V Sales, Butte.**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 7.3; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony:

**Bud Shane, Chief of Titles, Regulations Division, Dept. of Justice.**  
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 10.1; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:  
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 12.6; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Bohlinger closed.  
{Tape: 3; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 17.5; Comments: None.}

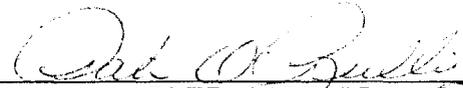
EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 185

Motion/Vote: Rep. Sliter moved HB 185 Tabled. Motion passed unanimously.  
{Tape: 3; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 18.6; Comments: None.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:45 AM

  
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REP. BRUCE T. SIMON, Chairman

  
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PATI O'REILLY, Secretary

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