

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN ALVIN A. ELLIS, JR.**, on January 24, 1997, at 3:00 P.M., in Room 312-1.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alvin A. Ellis, Jr., Chairman (R)
Rep. Dan W. Harrington, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Paul Bankhead (R)
Rep. Matt Denny (R)
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)
Rep. Antoinette R. Hagener (D)
Rep. George Heavy Runner (D)
Rep. Bob Lawson (R)
Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R)
Rep. Linda McCulloch (D)
Rep. Norm Mills (R)
Rep. William Rehbein, Jr. (R)
Rep. John "Sam" Rose (R)
Rep. Joe Tropila (D)
Rep. Allan Walters (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Peggy Arnott
Rep. Sam Kitzenberg
Rep. William Rehbein, Jr.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Connie Erickson, Legislative Services Division
Alberta Strachan, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 282 (1/20/97)
Executive Action: HB 183; HB 206; HB 221; HB 259; HB 263.

HEARING ON HB 282

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. Shiell ANDERSON, H.D. 25 introduced the bill.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 1.1.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Al Redfield, Chairman, Area School Board.

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Bob Stenert, Area School Board.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 4.1.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

Loren Frazier, Montana School Board Administrators. EXHIBIT 1.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 5.9.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 8.6.}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. ANDERSON closed on the bill.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 34.5.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 183

Motion: REP. MASOLO MOVED HB 183 DO PASS.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 36.7.}

Discussion:

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 37.0.}

Vote: The question was call. Motion carried 18-0 with REPS. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voting by proxy.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 40.0.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 206

Motion: REP. HAGENER MOVED HB 206 DO PASS.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 40.3.}

Motion/Vote: REP. ROSE moved to adopt the McCann amendments. Motion carried 16-2 with REPS. MILLS and DENNY voting no and REPS. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voting by proxy.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 41.6.}

Motion: REP. HARRINGTON MOVED HB 206 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 43.2.}

Discussion:

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 43.5.}

Vote: The question was called. Motion carried 15-3 with REPS. MILLS, DENNY and LAWSON voting no and REPS. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voting by proxy.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: .7.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 221

Motion: REP. DENNY MOVED HB 221 DO PASS.
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 1.7.}

Discussion: CHAIRMAN ELLIS questioned REP. DENNY regarding the amendments which had previously been discussed at the hearing and REP. DENNY requested the amendments not be moved.
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 2.1.}

Motion/Vote: REP. HARRINGTON MOVED HB 221 DO NOT PASS. REP. MILLS MOVED HB 221 BE TABLED. Question was called. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried 13-5 with REPS. ARNOTT, DENNY, REHBEIN, SIMPKINS and WALTERS voting no. REPS. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voted by proxy.
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 2.9.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 259

Motion: REP. MILLS MOVED HB 259 DO PASS.
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 6.3.}

Discussion:
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 6.8.}

Vote: Question was called. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried 11-6 with REPS. HARRINGTON, GILLAN, HAGENER, HEAVY RUNNER, MCCULLOCH and TROPILA voting no. REP. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voted by proxy.
{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 10.5.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 263

Motion/Vote: REP. HEAVY RUNNER MOVED HB 263 DO PASS. Question was called. Motion carried 18-0 with REPS. KITZENBERG, ARNOTT and SIMPKINS voting by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.



REP. ALVIN A. ELLIS, Jr., Chairman



ALBERTA STRACHAN, Secretary

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