

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT DENNY**, on February 3, 1997, at
9:00 a.m., in room 420

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Denny, Chairman (R)
Rep. Antoinette R. Hagener, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Haley Beaudry (R)
Rep. Harriet Hayne (R)
Rep. George Heavy Runner (D)
Rep. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Rep. Norm Mills (R)
Rep. Doug Mood (R)
Rep. William Rehbein, Jr. (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Rep. Dorothy C. Simpson (D)
Rep. Allan Walters (R)
Rep. Bill Whitehead (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Matt Brainard.

Members Absent: Rep. Tim Dowell.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Services Division
Keri Burkhardt, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 324, SB 28.
Executive Action: HB 334, SB 28.

HEARING ON HB 324

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. EDWARD J. GRADY.

EXHIBIT 1.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 1.1; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Tom Schneider, President, Montana Public Employee Pension
Security Coalition (PEPSCo).

EXHIBIT 2.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 4; Comments: None.}

Tom Bilodeau, Research Director, Montana Education Association,
Secretary Treasurer, PEPSCo.

EXHIBIT 3.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 6.9; Comments: None.}

Terry Minow, Montana Federation of Teachers, Montana Federation
of State Employees.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 8.3; Comments: None.}

Arnold Silverman, President, Montana Federation of Teachers;
Member, PEPSCo.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 8.9; Comments: None.}

Vernen Bertelsen.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 11.5; Comments: None.}

Jack E. Cohn, Montana Retired Teachers and School Personnel
(MRT&SP).

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 12.5; Comments: None.}

Linda King, Administrator, Public Employees Retirement Board.

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

David Senn, Teachers Retirement Board.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 14.1; Comments: None.}

Warren Brass, Association of Montana Retired Public Employees.

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

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 15.7; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. GRADY closes.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 26.3; Comments: None.}

EXHIBIT 4.

HEARING ON SB 28

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. JOHN HERTEL, S.D. 47.

EXHIBIT 5.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 29.9; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Eric Fever, Montana Education Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 32.4; Comments: None.}

Terry Minow, Montana Federation of Teachers.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 37.2; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony:

David Senn, Executive Director, Teachers Retirement System.

EXHIBIT 6

EXHIBIT 7

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 38; Comments: None.}

Loren Frazier, School Administrators of Montana.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 42.1; Comments: None.}

Don Waldren, Montana Rural Education Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 44.1; Comments: None.}

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 1.1; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. HERTEL closes.

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

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 334

Motion: REP. HEAVY RUNNER MOVED DO PASS HB 334.

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 18.6; Comments: None.}

Amendments: REP. DENNY MOVED TO AMEND.

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 25.4; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion carried 14-0.

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 34.9; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. HEAVY RUNNER MOVED DO PASS AS AMENDED.

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 35.2; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion carried 8-6. Rep. Adams, Rep. Beaudry, Rep. Hayne, Rep. Kitzenberg, Rep. Rehbein, and Rep. Simpson voted no.

{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 39.3; Comments: None.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 28

Motion: REP. KITZENBERG MOVED TO BE CONCURRED IN SB 28.

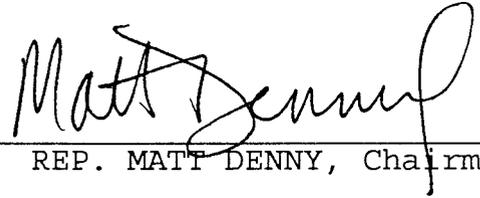
{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 40.2; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion carried 9-5. Rep. Adams, Rep. Beaudry, Rep. Heavy Runner, Rep. Rehbein, and Rep. Whitehead voted no.

{Tape: 2; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 4.1; Comments: None.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:33 a.m.



REP. MATT DENNY, Chairman



KERI BURKHARDT, Secretary

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