

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN TOM ZOOK, on February 10, 1997, at
3:00 p.m., in Room 312.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Tom Zook, Chairman (R)
Rep. Edward J. "Ed" Grady, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)
Rep. Joe Quilici, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Rep. Ernest Bergsagel (R)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Rep. Roger DeBruycker (R)
Rep. Gary Feland (R)
Rep. Don Holland (R)
Rep. John Johnson (D)
Rep. Royal C. Johnson (R)
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten (R)
Rep. Bob Keenan (R)
Rep. Matt McCann (D)
Rep. William T. "Red" Menahan (D)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)
Rep. Steve Vick (R)
Rep. William R. Wiseman (R)

Members Excused:

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division
Marjorie Peterson, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: HB 366, SB 35
Executive Action: HB 84 TABLED

HEARING ON HB 366

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. RAY PECK, HD 91, Havre, opened the hearing on HB 366, An act creating the statewide library electronic access program. REP. PECK distributed a fact sheet to the committee. EXHIBIT 1.
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Proponents:

Jim Heckel, President, Montana Library Association, Great Falls.
Mr. Heckel submitted an explanation of the Montana Access
Program. EXHIBIT 2.

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Heidi Alford, Toole County Library, Shelby.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Tape Counter: 15.7.}

Henry McClernan, Montana Tech Library, Butte.

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Kathy McGowan, Montana Library Association, Helena. Ms. McGowan
read a letter from Kay Hawn, Lewistown. EXHIBIT 3.

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Opponents:

None.

Questions From the Committee:

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Closing by Sponsor:

REP. PECK closed the hearing on HB 366.

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HEARING ON SB 35**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

SEN. LOREN JENKINS, SD 45, Big Sandy, opened the hearing on SB
35, An act providing procedures and standards for making budget
comparisons and determining budget performance.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Tape Counter: 3.2.}

Proponents:

None.

Opponents:

None.

Informational:

CLAYTON SCHENCK, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, gave informational
testimony on the history of the bill and submitted the Budget
Comparisons Methodology. EXHIBIT 4.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Tape Counter: 8.4.}

Questions From the Committee:

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Tape Counter: 12.4.}

Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. JENKINS closed the hearing on SB 35.

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 84

Motion: REP. DEBRUYCKER moved HB 84 Do Pass.
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Discussion:
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Tape Counter: 25.0.}

Substitute Motion/Vote: REP. GRADY moved to table HB 84. Motion carried 10 - 8 on a roll call vote, with REPS. BARNHART, DEBRUYCKER, HOLLAND, JOHN JOHNSON, MCCANN, MENAHAN, PECK, and WISEMAN voting no.
{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Tape Counter: 28.6.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:45 p.m.



REP. TOM ZOOK, Chairman



MARJORIE PETERSON, Secretary

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