

**MINUTES**

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

**COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Chase Hibbard, on April 10, 1997, at 8:00 a.m., in Room 437.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Chase Hibbard, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Robert R. Story, Jr., Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)  
Rep. Robert R. "Bob" Ream, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)  
Rep. Peggy Arnott (R)  
Rep. Paul Bankhead (R)  
Rep. John C. Bohlinger (R)  
Rep. Bill Carey (D)  
Rep. Marian W. Hanson (R)  
Rep. Hal Harper (D)  
Rep. Dan W. Harrington (D)  
Rep. Rick Jore (R)  
Rep. Bob Raney (D)  
Rep. John "Sam" Rose (R)  
Rep. Richard D. Simpkins (R)  
Rep. Emily Swanson (D)  
Rep. Lila V. Taylor (R)  
Rep. Jack Wells (R)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Alvin A. Ellis, Jr. (R)  
Rep. Scott J. Orr (R)  
Rep. William M. "Bill" Ryan (D)

**Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:** Lee Heiman, Legislative Services Division  
Donna Grace, Committee Secretary

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: None.

Executive Action: SB 395 - Table  
SB 386 - Concur as Amended

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 395Motion:

Rep. Bohlinger moved to concur in SB 395. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.3.}

Motion:

Rep. Harper moved amendments 1 - 7, EXHIBIT 1. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.0.}

Mr. Heiman explained the purpose of the amendments. Discussion followed. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.5.}

Vote:

The amendments were approved unanimously, 19 - 0. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 6.3.}

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Ream moved amendments 10 and 11 (included in Exhibit 1). The motion passed, 14 - 6, with Reps. Orr, Arnott, Ellis, Simpkins, Taylor and Hanson voting no. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 12.1.}

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Ream moved amendments. EXHIBIT 2. The motion failed on a 10 - 10 tie vote with Reps. Story, Orr, Arnott, Rose, Wells, Jore, Simpkins, Bankhead, Taylor and Hanson voting no. {Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 12.1; Comments: Discussion on motion continued on Tape 1 B.}

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Simpkins moved a conceptual amendment that SB 395 would fail if HB 5 was passed and provided for a heritage preservation fund for the purchase of Virginia City and Nevada City. The motion passed, 13 - 7, with Reps. Ryan, Carey, Harrington, Bohlinger, Harper, Raney and Ream voting no. {Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.4.}

Motion/Vote:

Rep. Bohlinger moved a conceptual amendment that rental cars covered under the bill should be purchased from Montana automobile dealers. The motion failed, 14 - 6, with Reps. Ryan, Harrington, Bohlinger, Harper, Raney and Ream voting yes. {Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.4.}

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Ream moved to amend amendments 1 - 3 of Exhibit 1. The motion passed 18 - 2, with Reps. Orr and Jore voting no. *{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.5.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Raney moved to change the distribution percentages (line 11 to 8%, line 12 to 12% and eliminate line 13). The motion passed 19 - 1 with Rep. Arnott voting no. *{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.5.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Swanson moved an amendment. **EXHIBIT 3.** The amendment passed 19 - 1 with Rep. Jore voting no. *{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.3.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Bohlinger moved to concur in SB 395 as amended. The motion failed 12 - 8 with Reps. Ryan, Carey, Harrington, Bohlinger, Swanson, Harper, Raney and Ream voting yes. *{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 14.0; Comments: Continued on Tape 2B.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Wells moved to table SB 395. The vote on the previous motion was reversed. *{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 2.0.}*

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 386****Motion:**

Rep. Ream moved to concur in SB 386. *{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 2.0.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Ream moved amendments to SB 386. **EXHIBIT 4.** *{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 4.2.}*

**Discussion:**

Don Hoffman, Department of Revenue, explained the purpose for the amendments. *{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 4.5.}*

**Vote:**

The motion on the amendments passed 19 - 1, with Rep. Arnott voting no. *{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.0.}*

**Motion/Vote:**

Rep. Ream moved to concur in SB 386 as amended. The motion passed 19 - 1 with Rep. Arnott voting no. {Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.4.}

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 10.0; Comments: Adjourn.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:45 a.m.



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REP. CHASE HIBBARD, Chairman



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DONNA GRACE, Secretary

CH/DG