

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
MONTANA STATE SENATE

January 15, 1985

The second meeting of the Highways and Transportation was called to order at 1:05 p.m. on January 15, 1985 by Chairman Lawrence G. Stimatz in Room 410 of the Capitol Building.

ROLL CALL: All members were present except Senator Manning, Senator Daniels, Senator Shaw, and Senator Williams whom were all excused.

The purpose of the meeting was to go over bills which were referred to the Highways and Transportation Committee and to set some of the bills for hearing.

Chairman Stimatz stated that he talked with Senator Aklestad on SB 74 which is a non-controversial bill dealing with the arresting power of patrolmen. Senator Aklestad, sponsor of this bill, had been waiting to get witnesses. Chairman Stimatz set SB 74 for hearing on Tuesday, January 22, 1985.

Chairman Stimatz set SB 101 for hearing on Tuesday, January 22, 1985. Stimatz stated that this is a long bill but a non-controversial bill. It involves substituting one plate for two on a vehicle. Researcher Paul Verdon stated that it is not a complex bill.

Chairman Stimatz discussed HB 20. He stated that this is a non-complex bill. It is an act to eliminate the requirement that delivery zone permits be obtained, amending sections 61-10-203, MCA. This bill was introduced by Representatives Quilici, Harp, and Abrams. It is set for hearing on Tuesday, January 22, 1985.

Other bills discussed by the committee were as follows:

HB 94, sponsor of this bill is Representative Ernst. This is a non-controversial bill dealing with light vehicle registration by mail. Introduced at the request of the Division of Motor Vehicles. We are waiting for a Fiscal Note and it requires a Statement of Intent.

SB 58, sponsor of this bill is Senator Christiaens. This bill deals with the mandatory seat belt use. Senator Christiaens asked Chairman Stimatz to hold this bill because Senator Eck is also introducing a bill on the same topic and they are going to combine the two bills into one.

SB 83, sponsor of this bill is Senator Farrell. It deals with the requirement of a special chauffeur's license to drive a truck over 44,000 pounds. It needs a Fiscal Note, and will be scheduled for hearing as soon as we receive it.

SB 107 and SB 108, sponsor of these bills is Senator Shaw. Chairman Stimatz is going to speak with Senator Shaw about these bills and they will be set for hearing as soon as possible. SB 108 needs a Fiscal Note.

Questions from the committee were called for.

Senator Lybeck asked if there was going to be a rescheduling of the Highway Department tour that took place on the same day as the Governor's State-of-the-State Address? Chairman Stimatz said that if there was enough interest in going he would check with Gary Wicks to see about setting up another tour.

No further questions were asked.

Chairman Stimatz made a motion to adjourn. Senator Hager moved the motion.

The meeting was closed.


ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The committee will meet again on Tuesday, January 22, 1985, at 1 p.m.

There will be a Montana Highway Users meeting on Thursday, January 24, 1985 with several speakers present, including a gentleman from the Northwestern Highway Institute.

ADJOURNED:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

  
LAWRENCE G. STIMATZ  
CHAIRMAN

ROLL CALL

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
#7 SENATOR STIMATZ	X		
#25 SENATOR MANNING			X
#27 SENATOR BENGTON	X		
#8 SENATOR DANIELS			X
#32 SENATOR FARRELL	X		
#42 SENATOR HAGER	X		
#48 SENATOR LYBECK	X		
#23 SENATOR SHAW			X
#3 SENATOR TVEIT	X		
#39 SENATOR WILLIAMS			X

Each day attach to minutes.