

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 51st LEGISLATURE - 1st SPECIAL SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By Chairman Schye, on June 27, 1989, at 1:00 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: ALL with exception of:

Members Excused: Rep. Harrington, Rep. Kilpatrick and Chairman Schye

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Andrea Merrill, Legislative Researcher  
Claudia Johnson, Committee Secretary

Announcements/Discussion: None

#### HEARING ON HOUSE BILL 50

#### Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor:

"AN ACT PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REIMBURSE MONEY LOST THROUGH PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION; INCREASING SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET SCHEDULES; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-502, 20-9-316 THROUGH 20-9-319, AND 20-9-343, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE".

Rep. Rehberg, House District 88, opened stating that this bill is being carried at the request of the Governor's office. He stated that this is the other half of the personal property tax relief. Rep. Rehberg stated what this bill essentially does is if the Legislature gives the personal property tax relief this bill is the mechanism that will reimburse the schools and the local governments will not be out any money. He stated that the capping of the Coal tax and Rep. Pavlovich's bill on the Progressive Focus Act would generate about \$40 million. Rep. Rehberg stated that Gordon Morris wanted to be on record in favor of this bill, he was in another meeting and could not be present to testify.

#### Testifying Proponents and Who They Represent:

None

#### Proponent Testimony:

None

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Testifying Opponents and Who They Represent:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Questions From Committee Members: None

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Rehberg closed by asking the Committee to not hold this bill up.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL 50

Motion: Rep. Grinde moved a do pass.

Discussion: Rep. Eudaily asked Andrea Merrill if this would be a biennial appropriation? Ms. Merrill stated that this clarifying language is seen in all the school equalization revision bills. She stated that in case of future Legislation this language states that the funds can be appropriated for one of the years in the biennium as a single sum, but a total sum cannot be appropriated for both years of that biennium.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: Rep. Peck called the question. A voice vote was taken. The motion CARRIED unanimously to DO PASS.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 1:30 p.m.

  
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REP. TED SCHYE, Chairman

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# DAILY CALL VOTE

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COMMITTEE

DATE 6/27/89

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
REP. SCHYE, CHAIRMAN			
REP. DAILY, VICE-CHAIRMAN	✓		
REP. COBB	✓		
REP. COCCHIARELLA	✓		
REP. DARKO	✓		
REP. DAVIS	✓		
REP. EUDAILY	✓		
REP. GERVAIS	✓		
REP. GLASER	✓		
REP. GRINDE	✓		
REP. HARRINGTON		✓	
REP. JOHNSON	✓		
REP. KIMBERLEY	✓		
REP. KILPATRICK	✓		
REP. NELSON	✓		
REP. PECK	✓		
REP. PHILLIPS	✓		
REP. SIMPKINS	✓		
REP. SPRING, JR.	✓		
REP. STANG "SPOOK"	✓		
REP. THOMAS	✓		
REP. WALLIN	✓		
REP. WYATT	✓		
REP. ZOOK	✓		

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

"An Act Providing an Appropriation to School Districts  
and Local Governments to Reimburse Money Lost Through  
Personal Property Tax Reductions"

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on Education and Cultural  
Resources report that HOUSE BILL 50 (first reading copy --  
white) do pass .

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ted Schye, Chairman