

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 53rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

**Call to Order:** By Senator Bill Yellowtail, on April 24, 1993, at 10:55 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Sen. Bill Yellowtail, Chair (D)  
Sen. Steve Doherty, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Sue Bartlett (D)  
Sen. Chet Blaylock (D)  
Sen. Bob Brown (R)  
Sen. Bruce Crippen (R)  
Sen. Eve Franklin (D)  
Sen. Lorents Grosfield (R)  
Sen. Mike Halligan (D)  
Sen. John Harp (R)  
Sen. David Rye (R)  
Sen. Tom Towe (D)

**Members Excused:** NONE

**Members Absent:** NONE

**Staff Present:** Valencia Lane, Legislative Council  
Rebecca Court, Committee Secretary

**Please Note:** These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing: HB 693  
Executive Action: HB 693

#### **HEARING ON HB 693**

##### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

Representative Stovall, District 98, said HB 693 would enlarge the Interim Committee on Indian Affairs from four members to eight members. Rep. Stovall told the Committee that a new section was added to extend the appointment date of the members, to 30 days after the session. Rep. Stovall asked for a favorable consideration for HB 693.

##### **Proponents' Testimony:**

Senator Gage, District 5, supported SB 693. Senator Gage told the Committee that Montana needs better communication and education among the people of the state in regards to Indian affairs. Senator Gage told the Committee that Rep. Stovall was planning to present amendments to deal with funding for the Indian Affairs Committee. The amendment would have added a section to make funds statutory appropriated. Senator Gage said the same could be accomplished by going to the Finance Committee with a budget amendment.

Opponents' Testimony:

NONE

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

NONE

Closing by Sponsor:

Representative Stovall closed.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 693

Motion/Vote:

Senator Crippen moved HB 693 BE CONCURRED IN. The motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:12 a.m.



BILL YELLOWTAIL, Chair



REBECCA COURT, Secretary

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# ROLL CALL

SENATE COMMITTEE

Judiciary

DATE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Senator Yellowtail	X		
Senator Doherty	X		
Senator Brown	X		
Senator Crippen	X		
Senator Grosfield	X		
Senator Halligan	X		
Senator Harp	X		
Senator Towe	X		
Senator Bartlett	X		
Senator Franklin	X		
Senator Blaylock	X		
Senator Rye	X		

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MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Judiciary having had under consideration House Bill No. 693 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that House Bill No. 693 be concurred in.

Signed: Wm Yellowtail  
Senator William "Bill" Yellowtail, Chair