

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Chase Hibbard, on January 7, 1997, at 9:05 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. Alvin A. Ellis, Jr. (R)
Rep. Marian W. Hanson (R)
Rep. Hal Harper (D)
Rep. Rick Jore (R)
Rep. Scott J. Orr (R)
Rep. Bob Raney (D)
Rep. John "Sam" Rose (R)
Rep. William M. "Bill" Ryan (D)
Rep. Richard D. Simpkins (R)
Rep. Emily Swanson (D)
Rep. Lila V. Taylor (R)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Dan W. Harrington (D)

Members Absent: None.

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

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: None
Executive Action: None

The meeting was held primarily for education of Committee Members.

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{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.1; Comments: Chairman Hibbard welcomes Committee Members.}

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 3.5; Comments: Discussion of legislative rules changes.}

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 10:07; Comments: Discussion of rules regarding opponents/proponents/informational testimony.}

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 11:09; Comments: Discussion of rules regarding proxy votes.}

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 16.6; Comments: Discussion of requirement for motion to include statement of intent in minutes.}

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 22.0; Comments: Rep. Ream provided a summary of the action taken by the Rules Committee relative to minutes.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: .01; Comments: Discussion continues relative to inclusion of statement of intent.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 7.8; Comments: Chairman Hibbard referred to rules regarding table motions.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 10.0; Comments: Representative Harper clarified "calling for question."}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 11.2; Comments: Lee Heiman, Staff Attorney, provided information on confidentiality and procedures to be used for amendments.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 13.5; Comments: Mary Bryson, Director, Department of Revenue, provided a welcome statement and introduced key staff.}

Exhibit 1, "Guide to Taxes Administered by the Montana Department of Revenue."

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{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 17.5; Comments: Mary Whittinghill, Administrator, Property Tax Division, gave an overview of the Division and responded to Committee Member questions.}

Exhibit 2, 1997 Class 4 Property Reappraisal - New Construction Component.

Exhibit 3, Montana Property Taxes Since I-105, 1996 Update.

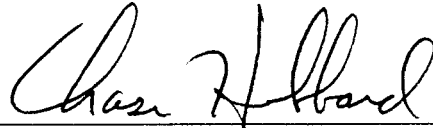
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 18.01; Comments: Continuation of discussion and response to questions by Judy Paynter, DOR.}

Exhibit 4, Preliminary Reappraisal Information - Class 4 Property.

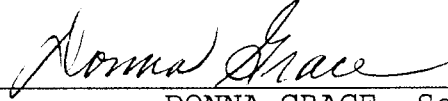
{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: .1; Comments: Continuation of Ms. Paynter's comments and response to questions.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:50 a.m.



CHASE HIBBARD, Chairman



DONNA GRACE, Secretary

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