

**MINUTES**

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

**COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN MATT DENNY**, on January 29, 1997, at 9:00 a.m., in room 420.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Matt Denny, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Matt Brainard, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)  
Rep. Antoinette R. Hagener, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)  
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)  
Rep. Haley Beaudry (R)  
Rep. Tim Dowell (D)  
Rep. Harriet Hayne (R)  
Rep. George Heavy Runner (D)  
Rep. Sam Kitzenberg (R)  
Rep. Norm Mills (R)  
Rep. Doug Mood (R)  
Rep. William Rehbein, Jr. (R)  
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)  
Rep. Dorothy C. Simpson (D)  
Rep. Allan Walters (R)  
Rep. Bill Whitehead (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Services Division  
Keri Burkhardt, Committee Secretary

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HJR 6, (1/22/97); SB 40,  
(1/21/97)  
Executive Action: HJR 6, SB 40, HB 74, HB 254

**HEARING ON HJR 6**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** REP. GEORGE HEAVY RUNNER, H.D. 85.  
EXHIBIT 1

***{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: .2; Comments: None.}***

**Proponents' Testimony:**

Kate Cholena, Montana Womens Lobby.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 3; Comments: None.}*

Rep. Dorothy Simpson, H.D. 61.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 3.6; Comments: None.}*

**Questions From Committee Members and Responses:**

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 4.4 through 11.8; Comments: None.}*

Debra Fulton, Administrator, General Services Division,  
Department of Administration answered some questions.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 6; Comments: None.}*

**Closing by Sponsor:** REP. HEAVY RUNNER closes.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 11.8; Comments: None.}*

**HEARING ON SB 40**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:** SEN. DELWYN GAGE, S.D. 43.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 12.6; Comments: None.}*

**Proponents' Testimony:**

Connie L. Griffith, Accounting and Management Support Division,  
Department of Administration.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 13.3; Comments: None.}*

**Closing by Sponsor:** SEN. GAGE closes.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 16.3; Comments: None.}*

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJR 6**

**Motion/Vote:** REP. BRAINARD MOVED DO PASS ON HJR 6/ Motion  
carried 16-0.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 39.6; Comments: None.}*

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 40**

**Motion:** REP. MILLS MOVED TO BE CONCURRED IN SB 40.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 40; Comments: None.}*

**Discussion:** Connie Griffith, Department of Administration,  
answered some questions.

*{Tape: 1; Side: a; Approx. Time Count: 41.7; Comments: None.}*

**Vote:** Motion carried 16-0.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 5.8; Comments: None.}*

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 74

EXHIBIT 2, introduced before executive action began.

**Motion:** REP. DOWELL MOVED DO PASS ON HB 74.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 6; Comments: None.}*

**Amendments:** REP. DOWELL MOVED TO AMEND HB 74. EXHIBIT 3.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 7.1; Comments: None.}*

**Vote:** Motion carried 15-1. Rep. Denny voted no.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 8.5; Comments: None.}*

**Motion:** REP. HAGENER MOVED DO PASS AS AMENDED.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 8.8; Comments: None.}*

**Vote:** Motion carried 14-2. Rep. Adams and Rep. Rehbein voted no.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 23; Comments: None.}*

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 254

**Motion:** REP. HEAVY RUNNER MOVED DO PASS ON HB 254.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 26; Comments: None.}*

**Amendments:** REP. HAGENER MOVED TO AMEND HB 254/ Motion carried 16-0. EXHIBIT 4.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 27.2; Comments: None.}*

**Motion:** REP. HAGENER MOVED DO PASS AS AMENDED.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 28.7; Comments: None.}*

**Amendments:** REP. MILLS MOVED TO AMEND HB 254, STRIKING OLD AMENDMENT/ Motion carried 15-1. Rep. Denny voted no. EXHIBIT 5.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 29.5 through 34.7; Comments: None.}*

**Vote:** Rep. Hagener's previous motion (do pass as amended) denied 13-2. Rep. Dowell and Rep. Hagener voted yes.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 35; Comments: None.}*

**Motion/Vote:** REP. DOWELL MOVED TO REVERSE MOTION AND TABLE HB 254. Motion carried without objection.

*{Tape: 1; Side: b; Approx. Time Count: 40.4; Comments: None.}*

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:25 a.m.



REP. MATT DENNY, Chairman



KERI BURKHARDT, Secretary

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