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MONTANA SENATE
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM ELLIOTT**, on February 16, 2005 at 8:03 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
Sen. Jim Elliott, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Sen. Ken Toole (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jon Ellingson (D)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Lee Heiman, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:
Hearing & Date Posted: SB 406, 2/11/2005
Executive Action: None.

00:00:18

HEARING ON SB 406

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on **SB 406,** Fund civil legal assistance for indigent victims of domestic violence.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:30 **Klaus Sitte, Montana Legal Services**
00:04:45 **Ann Gilky, Equal Justice Coordinator, State Bar of Montana**

EXHIBIT(tas38a01)

00:06:37 **Beth Baker, Chairman, Access to Justice Chairman, State Bar of Montana**
00:08:45 **Kate Halewa,**
00:08:59 **Ali Bovington, Attorney General's Office**
00:09:21 **Eric Schedemeyer, Montana Catholic Conference**
00:10:15 **Nancy Sweeney, Equal Justice Task Force**
00:11:37 **Neil Haight, Former Director of Montana Legal Services**

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:12:36 **Mary Phippen, Clerk of Courts**
00:13:08 **Shona McHugh, Department of Revenue**

00:13:33
Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:05
Closing by Sponsor:

SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS

00:24:26 **Dolores Cooney, Department of Revenue**

EXHIBIT(tas38a02)
EXHIBIT(tas38a03)
EXHIBIT(tas38a04)
EXHIBIT(tas38a05)

00:28:49	**Debbie Jurcich, Department of Revenue**
01:01:35	**Evan Barrett, Governor's Office of Economic Development**
01:03:00	**Mae Nan Ellingson, City of Missoula**
01:42:27	**Ellen Buchanan, Missoula Redevelopment**
01:48:05	**Chris Behan, Missoula Redevelopment**
01:51:17	**Alec Hansen, League of Cities and Towns**
01:54:31	**Ellen Buchanan, Missoula Redevelopment**

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:09 A.M.

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SEN. JIM ELLIOTT, Chairman

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KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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