

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: By Chairman Diane Rice, on January 11, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Diane Rice, Chairman (R)
Rep. Dave Gallik, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Ron Stoker, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bob Ebinger (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Rick Jore (C)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel (D)
Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: Rep. Holly Raser (D)

Staff Present: David Niss, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

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: HB 54, HB 98, 1/5/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 54

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:01 Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 54, Program to promote responsible gambling.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:09 Sen. Tropila
00:05:10 Donna Johnson, Montana Council on Problem Gamblers
00:06:49 Bonnie Huestis, Therapist
00:09:39 Rev. Brady Vardeman, Montana Association of Churches
00:10:41 Rich Miller, Gaming Industry Association
00:13:52 Gene Huntington, State of Montana, Department of Justice, Gaming Division

EXHIBIT(juh07a01)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:22:03 Jerry Duran, Montana Lottery Commission

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:40 Rep. Kern
00:25:03 Mr. Miller
00:26:09 Rep. Koopman
00:26:32 Mr. Miller
00:32:48 Rep. Koopman
00:33:37 Rev. Bardeman
00:34:46 Rep. Koopman
00:35:42 Rep. Dickenson
00:39:48 Mr. Huntington
00:42:16 Rep. Koopman
00:45:45 Mr. Huntington
00:49:24 Rep. McGillvray
00:54:45 Mr. Miller
01:09:12 Rep. McGillvray
01:12:25 Mr. Huntington
01:17:18 Rep. Kottel
01:17:52 Mr. Huntington
01:21:47 Rep. Kottel
01:23:32 Mr. Huntington
01:25:24 Rep. Everett
01:25:42 Mr. Huntington
01:25:49 Rep. Ward
01:26:30 Mr. Huntington

01:26:36 Rep. Ward
01:26:55 Rep. French
01:27:39 Mr. Huntington
01:28:24 Rep. Cordier
01:29:07 Mr. Miller
01:30:34 Rep. Peterson
01:30:59 Mr. Huntington
01:32:35 Rep. Ebinger
01:33:08 Ms. Duran
01:34:09 Rep. Ebinger

Closing by Sponsor:

01:34:41 Rep. Dickenson

01:34:45 Break
01:49:50 Reconvene

HEARING ON HB 98

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:49:52 Rep. Eve Franklin (D), HD 24, opened the hearing on HB 98, Reduce out-of-home placements of children.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:58:37 Karen Olson-Billings, Department of Public and Human Health Services

[EXHIBIT\(juh07a02\)](#)

02:05:44 Jani McCall, Montana Children Initiative Network

[EXHIBIT\(juh07a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(juh07a04\)](#)

02:11:00 Bonnie Adey, Mental Health Ombudsman for State of Montana

02:15:34 Rep. Augare, HD 16

02:16:22 Natalie Barns, Board of Crime Control

02:17:21 Jannis Conselyea, Department of Public Health and Human Services

02:18:22 Bob Runkel, Office of Public Instruction-State of Montana

02:20:05 Beth Brenneman, Montana Advocacy Program

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:21:55 Rep. Ward
02:23:16 Ms. Brenneman
02:24:11 Rep. Everett
02:24:28 Rep. Franklin
02:27:59 Rep. Everett
02:28:14 Rep. Stoker
02:29:20 Rep. Franklin
02:32:40 Rep. Peterson
02:32:55 Rep. Franklin
02:34:18 Rep. Peterson
02:34:42 Rep. Franklin
02:35:47 Rep. Peterson
02:36:00 Rep. Franklin
02:37:41 Rep. French
02:38:40 Ms. Olson-Billings
02:39:56 Rep. French
02:40:29 Ms. Brenneman
02:41:25 Rep. Jore
02:41:39 Ms. McCall
02:43:15 Rep. Rice
02:43:21 Rep. Franklin
02:43:34 Ms. Olson-Billings
02:43:52 Rep. Rice
02:43:59 Ms. Olson-Billings
02:44:33 Rep. Rice
02:44:38 Rep. Franklin
02:45:28 Rep. Jore
02:45:37 Ms. McCall

Closing by Sponsor:

02:46:09 Rep. Franklin

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:47 A.M.

REP. DIANE RICE, Chairman

PAM SCHINDLER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([juh07aad.pdf](#))