

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Jack Wells, on January 25, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jack Wells, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Eve Franklin (D)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Mark Bruno, Office of Budget and Program Planning
Alan Peura, Legislative Branch
Kathy Baird, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: Montana University System
Commissioner of Higher Education
OCHE Programs: 01,02,03,05,06,07
08,11,12,13

Committee Business:

00:00:07 Chairman Wells
00:02:35 Alan Peura, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
[EXHIBIT\(jeh17a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jeh17a02\)](#)
00:09:18 Rep. Franklin
00:09:55 Mr. Peura, LFD
00:11:27 Rep. Wells

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON OCHE ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS

Action on DP 1000 and DP 1002:

00:12:23 Rep. Wells
00:12:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1000 AND DP 1002 **BE ADOPTED** with amendment to restrict these appropriations. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 1020:

00:13:24 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1020 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 1052:

00:14:01 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1052 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion on DP 1052:

00:14:42 Mr. Peura, LFD
00:15:33 Sen. Hawks
00:15:56 **Motion:** Rep. Franklin moved **TO RECONSIDER** action on DP 1052. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Action on DP 1053:

00:16:42 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1053 **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

00:17:41 Alan Peura, LFD

EXHIBIT(jeh17a03)

00:21:01 Mark Bruno, Office of Budget and Program Planning
(OBPP)

00:21:59 Rep. Glaser withdrew motion without objection.

Action on DP 1055:

00:22:32 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1055 **BE ADOPTED.**
as an alternate proposal

Discussion:

00:22:52 Sen. Hawks

00:24:31 Sen. Lewis

00:25:30 Rep. Wells

00:25:43 Alan Peura, LFD

00:26:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 1054:

00:26:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1054 **BE**
ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion on Item 5 Language:

00:27:24 Alan Peura, LFD

00:27:41 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hawks moved that audit costs for
OCHE **BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice
vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY PROGRAM

00:28:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 3001 **BE**
ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON MUS GROUP INSURANCE PROGRAM

Discussion on Item 5 - Language:

00:30:23 Alan Peura, LFD

00:30:47 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Franklin moved that Language **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM

Discussion on DP 6010 Item 2:

00:31:37 Alan Puera, LFD

00:34:43 Sen. Hawks

00:34:59 Mick Robinson, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

00:36:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hawks moved that DP 6010 **BE REMOVED** from the budget. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 6052:

00:37:00 Alan Peura, LFD

00:38:28 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 6052 as stands **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 6053:

00:39:10 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Hawks moved that DP 6053 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON WORKERS COMPENSATION (LANGUAGE ONLY)

00:39:43 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that language **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Discussion on DP 6010:

00:40:44 Rep. Franklin

00:41:06 Mr. Robinson, OCHE

00:42:30 Rep. Franklin

00:42:47 Mr. Robinson, OCHE

00:43:03 Dr. Arlene Parisot, Director, Workforce Development, (OCHE)

00:46:19 **Motion:** Rep. Franklin moved to remove DP 6010 from budget discussion **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

00:46:44 Alan Peura, LFD
00:47:51 Sen. Hawks
00:48:37 Rep. Glaser
00:49:04 Alan Peura, LFD

00:50:08 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hawks, Sen. Wanzenried and Rep. Franklin voting aye.

Action on DP 801:

00:51:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 801 **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON TRIBAL COLLEGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Discussion on DP 1101:

00:52:55 Rep. Wells
00:53:09 Alan Peura, LFD

00:54:17 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1101 as stated **BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 1102:

00:55:15 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1102 with funding level reduced by 50,000 general fund per year **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

00:55:38 Sen. Hawks
00:56:03 Rep. Glaser
00:56:26 Rep. Franklin
00:56:40 Mr. Robinson, OCHE
00:57:50 Mr. Bruno, OBPP

00:58:30 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Franklin moved a substitute motion to restore DP 1102 to stated level **BE ADOPTED**.

Discussion:

00:59:19 Sen. Hawks
01:00:01 Rep. Glaser
01:00:14 Sen. Wanzenried
01:00:24 Alan Peura, LFD

01:01:01 Sen. Wanzenried

01:01:20 Rep. Glaser requested a roll call vote.

01:02:05 **Vote:** Rep. Franklin's motion failed 3-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hawks, Sen. Wanzenried and Rep. Franklin voting aye.

Discussion on Rep. Glaser's DP 1102 reduced value motion:

01:03:07 Rep. Franklin

01:03:29 Mr. Robinson, OCHE

01:05:01 Sen. Wanzenried

01:05:40 Rep. Franklin

01:07:23 **Vote:** Rep. Glaser's motion for DP 1102 with reduced funding level carried unanimously by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON GUARANTEED STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM

Discussion:

01:08:18 Alan Peura, LFD

01:09:15 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved to remove DP 6010 from the budget, and that DP's 1251, 1253, 1254 and 1255 **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion on DP 6010:

01:09:43 Alan Peura, LFD

01:10:20 Rep. Franklin

01:11:34 Rep. Franklin

01:11:49 Alan Peura, LFD

01:12:30 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:12:41 Sen. Wanzenried

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON THE BOARD OF REGENTS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM

01:13:17 Rep. Wells

01:13:32 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 1301 **BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:14:11 Break

01:29:14 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON OCHE ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM

Action on DP 1051:

01:29:51 Rep. Wells

01:29:57 **Motion:** Sen. Wanzenried moved that DP 1051, one time only, **BE ADOPTED** with accountability measures.

Discussion:

01:31:29 Alan Peura, LFD

EXHIBIT(jeh17a04)

01:34:43 Sen. Wanzenried

01:34:57 Sheila Stearns, Commissioner, Office of the
Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

01:35:39 Tyler Trevor, Director of Institutional Research, OCHE

01:39:46 Sen. Hawks

01:43:32 Rep. Franklin

01:45:53 Sen. Lewis

01:47:09 Sen. Hawks

01:48:06 Rep. Glaser

01:48:50 Rep. Wells

01:49:08 Sen Wanzenried withdrew motion on DP 1051 without
objection

01:50:02 Rep. Wells

01:50:20 Sen. Hawks

01:50:44 Rep. Glaser

01:51:41 Rep. Franklin

01:53:24 Sen. Wanzenried

01:53:50 Alan Peura, LFD

01:55:00 Sen. Wanzenried

01:55:45 Rep. Wells

Discussion on DP 1052:

01:57:37 Sen. Wanzenried

EXHIBIT(jeh17a05)

01:58:51 Sen. Hawks

01:59:50 Rep. Wells

02:00:19 Sen. Wanzenried

02:01:10 Chairman Wells delayed action on DP 1052

02:01:49 Dr. Thomas Gibson, Director, Distance Education
Business Development, Montana University System (DEBD)

02:05:00 Sen. Hawks

02:05:19 Dr. Gibson, DEBD

02:06:00 Sen. Lewis

02:06:31 Dr. Gibson, DEBD

02:07:15 Rep. Wells

02:08:13 Dr. Gibson, DEBD

02:09:20 Alan Peura, LFD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON THE STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Discussion on Item 3:

02:11:05 Alan Peura, LFD

02:12:21 Sen. Hawks

02:12:33 Mark Bruno, OBPP

02:14:15 Alan Peura, LFD

02:16:35 Sen. Hawks

02:17:18 Rep. Wells

02:17:39 Alan Peura, LFD

02:18:46 Karen Wing, Deputy Director, Montana Student Loan
Program, Office of Higher Education (OCHE)

02:19:48 Alan Peura, LFD

02:20:18 Mr. Bruno, OBPP

02:20:38 Ms. Wing, MGSPL

02:21:25 Chairman Wells delayed action on Item 3.

Action on DP 2001:

02:21:49 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 2001 **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

02:23:15 Sen. Wanzenried

02:24:57 Alan Peura, LFD

02:25:18 Sen. Hawks

02:28:28 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote

Discussion on DP 2002:

02:29:11 Rep. Glaser

02:30:11 Alan Peura, LFD

02:33:59 Rep. Glaser

02:35:05 Sen. Hawks

02:35:16 Ms. Wing, OCHE

02:37:21 Ron Muffick, Guaranteed Student Loan Program (GSLP)

02:37:54 Sen. Hawks

02:39:27 Chairman Wells

02:39:54 Alan Peura, LFD

02:40:07 Rep. Franklin

02:40:27 Mr. Bruno, OBPP

EXHIBIT (jeh17a06)

02:42:50 **Motion:** Sen. Wanzenried moved that DP 2002 **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

02:43:14 Rep. Wells

02:43:52 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hawks, Sen. Wanzenried and Rep. Franklin voting aye.

Discussion on DP 2053:

02:45:16 Rep. Wells

02:45:42 Sen. Wanzenried

02:45:52 Mr. Bruno, OBPP

02:46:04 Rep. Glaser

02:47:05 Sen. Wanzenried

02:47:17 Alan Peura, LFD

02:47:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 2053 **BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Action on DP 2060:

02:48:46 Alan Peura, LFD

02:51:23 **Motion:** Rep. Glaser moved that DP 2060 with caveat to amend out 0.50 FTE approved in 2007 biennium budget **BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

02:51:48 Rep. Franklin

02:52:08 Dr. Gibson, DEBD

02:53:49 Mr. Bruno, OBPP

02:54:14 Rep. Glaser

02:54:34 Mr. Peura, LFD

02:55:33 Rep. Glaser

02:55:59 Mr. Peura, LFD

02:57:37 Sen. Hawks

02:57:42 Dr. Gibson, DEBD

02:58:52 Sen. Hawks

03:00:43 Rep. Glaser

03:01:41 Mr. Peura, LFD

03:03:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Glaser moved to clarify that DP 2060 as stated **BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion on DP 2063:

03:04:37 Rep. Glaser
03:05:15 Mr. Peura, LFD
03:06:54 Rep. Glaser
03:07:43 Sen. Hawks
03:08:29 Rep. Glaser
03:09:32 Rep. Wells
03:10:21 Mr. Peura, LFD
03:10:57 Mr. Bruno, OBPP
03:11:22 Rep. Glaser
03:12:18 Rep. Franklin

03:12:33 **Motion:** Rep. Franklin moved that DP 2063 **BE ADOPTED** with contingency based on passage and approval of SB 152

Discussion:

03:13:06 Sen. Hawks
03:13:50 Mr. Peura, LFD
03:14:24 Sen. Lewis
03:14:40 Mr. Peura, LFD
03:15:34 Sen. Lewis
03:15:57 Rep. Glaser

03:19:14 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Hawks, Sen. Wanzenried and Rep. Franklin voting aye.

Discussion on Item 5 - WICHE/WWAMI/MN Language:

03:19:36 Mr. Peura, LFD

03:20:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Wanzenried moved that restrictive language **BE ADOPTED** in WICHE/WWAMI/MN Dental program funding. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Committee Business:

03:21:29 Sen. Wanzenried
EXHIBIT(jeh17a07)
03:22:59 Chairman Wells

ADJOURNMENT

03:23:08 Adjournment

REP. JACK WELLS, Chairman

KATHY BAIRD, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([jeh17aad.pdf](#))