

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: By Chairman Ron Stoker, on February 21, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ron Stoker, Chairman (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Tom McGillvray, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Ernie Dutton (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. William J. Jones (R)
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)
Rep. Mike Milburn (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Debbie Carlson, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, 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: HB 577, 2/6/2007; HB 743, 2/6/2007;
HB 612, 2/8/2007; HJR 37, 2/14/2007
Executive Action: HB 687, HB 747, HB 669

HEARING ON HB 612

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:46 Rep. Teresa Henry (D), HD 96, opened the hearing on HB 612, Create responsible sexual health program.

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:14 Lora Wier, Public Health Nurse, Teton County, Montana
Public Health Association.

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a03\)](#)

00:14:32 Mike Henderson, Public Health Director, City-County
Health Department, Lewis and Clark County

00:16:28 Kelsen Young, Executive Director, Montana Coalition
Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a04\)](#)

00:17:56 Kelly Morant, Capital High School, Helena, Montana

00:19:13 Katy Murry, Senior at Capital High School

00:20:02 Cassie Sturmgard, Senior at Capital High School

00:21:31 Group of High School Seniors from Billings, Montana
Carrie Eggen, Megan Moyers, Alec DeGroat

00:22:49 Andy Reyman

00:23:11 Briana Boje, Helena Middle School

00:23:40 Liz Reiman

00:24:12 Jill Baker, Education Director, Planned Parenthood of
Montana

00:24:59 Georgia Lovelady

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a05\)](#)

00:26:08 Dana Morrell

00:27:30 Alison Hagen, Director, Pro-Choice Montana

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a06\)](#)

00:28:16 Cathy Day, Publicity Director, ACLU Montana

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a07\)](#)

00:28:54 Terry Kendrick Montana Women Vote

00:29:16 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association

00:29:47 Lindsey Doe

00:29:52 Cassie Austin

00:30:01 Serenity Perry

00:30:06 Amanda Smithowe

00:30:10 Jennifer Hillhart

Opponents' Testimony:

00:30:32 Rachel Roberts

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a08\)](#)

00:33:06 Greg Trude, Executive Director, Right to Life Montana

[EXHIBIT\(huh39a09\)](#)

00:34:28 Lynn Stumberg, Eagle Forum, Organization for God,
Family, and Country

Informational Testimony:

00:36:16 Susan Cord, Office of Public Instruction

00:37:15 Ann Hagen-Buss, Department of Public Health and Human
Services, Public Health Division

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:37:55 Rep. French

00:38:26 Ms. Cord

00:39:10 Rep. French

00:39:50 Ms. Cord

00:40:54 Rep. French

00:41:16 Ms. Cord

00:42:26 Rep. McAlpin

00:42:41 Ms. Cord

00:43:45 Rep. McAlpin

00:44:27 Rep. McGillvray

00:45:13 Rep. Henry

00:46:11 Rep. McGillvray

00:46:30 Rep. Henry

00:49:40 Rep. McGillvray

00:50:02 Rep. Henry

00:51:31 Rep. Reinhart

00:51:47 Rep. Henry

00:52:07 Mr. Henderson

00:52:38 Rep. Reinhart

00:52:50 Mr. Henderson

00:53:13 Rep. Sands

00:54:20 Ms. Wier

00:55:31 Ms. Hagen-Buss

00:57:10 Rep. Sands

00:57:34 Ms. Hagen-Buss

00:58:31 Mr. Henderson

00:59:24 Rep. Dutton

00:59:49 Ms. Cord

01:00:12 Rep. Dutton

01:00:16 Ms. Cord

01:01:07 Rep. Dutton

01:01:25 Rep. Henry

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:10 Rep. Henry

[EXHIBIT](#)(huh39a10)

HEARING ON HB 743

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:08:13 Rep. Edith Clark (R), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 743, Add chronic disease programs to uses for tobacco funds.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:10:31 Todd Harwell, Chief, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Bureau, Department of Health and Human Services Public Health

[EXHIBIT](#)(huh39a11)

01:12:20 Linda Stoll, Montana's Public Health Officers

01:13:00 Jessica, Grennan, American Health Association

01:13:27 Jim Aherns, President, Montana Hospitals Association

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

01:13:51 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Analyst's Office

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:14:03 Rep. Ingraham

01:15:10 Rep. Clark

01:16:11 Ms. Wilkinson

01:17:10 Rep. Becker

01:18:01 Rep. Clark

Closing by Sponsor:

01:18:31 Rep. Clark

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 747

01:19:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Stoker moved **TO TABLE** HB 747 at the request of Rep. Wilmer. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

(HB 747 was scheduled but not heard at the request of Rep. Wilmer.)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 669

01:19:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep Stoker moved **TO TABLE** HB 669 at the request of Rep. Arntzen. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

(HB 669 was scheduled but not heard at the request of Rep. Arntzen.)

HEARING ON HJR 37

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:21:00 Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HJR 37, Study health effects of coal plants.

EXHIBIT(huh39a12)

Proponents' Testimony:

01:23:54 Ann Hedges, Montana Environmental Information Center

EXHIBIT(huh39a13)

01:26:13 Wade Sikorksi, Rancher from Fallon County

01:28:59 Molly Immen, Montana Autobahn

01:29:47 Stephanie Ambrose Tubbs

01:30:36 Don Judge, Montana Chapter of the Sierra Club

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: none.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:31:34 Rep. Windy Boy

HEARING ON HB 577

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:32:14 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 80, opened the hearing on HB 577, Children's health care act.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:40:00 Olivia Ruitta, Women for Equity and Economic Liberation
[EXHIBIT \(huh39a14\)](#)

01:42:36 Judy Reel, Montana Association of Churches
[EXHIBIT \(huh39a15\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:44:19 Rep. Caferro

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 687

01:44:41 **Motion:** Rep. Dutton moved HB 687 **DO PASS.**

01:45:36 **Motion:** Rep. Peterson moved a conceptual amendment to reduce mandated insurance coverage from 7 years to 4 years. Motion passed 13-1 by voice vote. Rep. Caferro voted no. Rep. Becker voted aye by proxy.

[EXHIBIT \(huh39a16\)](#)

01:46:35 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McGillvray moved HB 687 **DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 13-1 by voice vote with Rep. McGillvray voting no. Rep. Becker voted aye by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

REP. RON STOKER, Chairman

DEBBIE CARLSON, Secretary

RS/dc

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([huh39aad.pdf](#))