

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By Chairman John Sinrud, on March 6, 2007 at
8:10 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, Pat Gervais, Pam Joehler, Greg Petesch,
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 806, 2/27/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 806

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:30 Rep. Bill Beck (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on HB 806, Biennial funding for justice, corrections, labor, military affairs, and PSC.

Crime Control, Pg. D-1

00:10:13 Rep. Beck

Public Service, Pg. D-26

00:11:39 Rep. Beck

Dept of Corrections, Pg. D-29

00:12:02 Rep. Beck

Dept of Labor and Industry, Pg. D-47

00:13:57 Rep. Beck

Dept of Military Affairs, Pg. D-65

00:15:41 Rep. Beck

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:18:05 David Ewer, Governor's Budget Director
00:24:12 Mike Ferriter, Director, Montana Department of Corrections
00:37:19 Sen. Steve Gallus
00:39:48 Craig Anderson, Sheriff, Dawson County; also representing Cascade and Shelby Counties
00:43:41 Pete Parsons, Correctional Officers, Dawson County
00:45:56 Eric Burke, MEA/MFT
00:48:50 J. D. Lynch, Community Corrections and Counseling, Butte; former Senator
00:50:11 Keith Kelly, Commissioner, Department of Labor and Industry
01:00:04 Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman
01:02:31 Major General Randy Mosely, Director, Department of Military Affairs

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01:10:18 Craig Thomas, Executive Director, Board of Pardons and Parole
01:16:31 Curt Belts, Fire Chief; also representing Montana Fire Chiefs, and the six regional Hazardous Material Teams
01:22:40 Mike Thatcher, Administrator, Community Corrections and Counseling

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a06\)](#)

01:33:15 Mike Ruppert, CEO, Boyd Andrew Community Services
01:38:48 Roger Hagan, Montana National Guard Officers and Enlisted Associations

Informational Testimony:

01:42:14 Linda Stoll, Missoula County
01:43:20 Larry Fasbender, Deputy Director, Department of Justice
02:03:55 Wayne Budt, Administrator, Transportation and Centralized Services Division, Montana Public Service Commission
02:04:51 Don Hargrove, Montana Meth Project, former legislator
02:11:11 Vance Curtis, Chairman, Montana State Board of Pardons and Parole
02:15:27 Jennifer Hill-Hart, representing Kelsen Young, Executive Director, Domestic and Sexual Violence Program

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a07\)](#)

Sen. Cobb left written testimony for the record

[EXHIBIT\(aph47a08\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:17:40 Rep. Kasten
02:21:39 Mr. Farriter
02:22:00 Rep. Kasten
02:23:06 Sen. Gallus
02:24:10 Rep. Kasten
02:25:20 Mr. Anderson
02:26:34 Rep. Hiner
02:27:53 Rep. Beck
02:28:26 Rep. Kasten
02:29:30 Rep. Hiner
02:30:32 Rep. Beck
02:31:09 Ms. Gervais
02:32:35 Rep. Hiner
02:33:08 Mr. Ferriter

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02:35:18 Rep. Sinrud
 02:37:07 Greg Petesch, General Counsel, Legislative Branch
 02:37:20 Rep. Sinrud
 02:49:52 Mr. Ferriter
 02:50:53 Rep. Sinrud
 02:51:14 Mr. Ewer
 02:51:47 Rep. Sinrud
 02:52:08 Rhonda Schaffer, Administrative Financial Services
 Division
 02:52:48 Rep. Sinrud
 02:57:44 Mr. Schaffer
 02:58:10 Rep. Callahan
 02:59:57 Mr. Petesch
 03:00:14 Rep. Callahan
 03:03:33 Rep. Beck
 03:04:14 Rep. Sinrud
 03:05:51 Rep. Callahan
 03:14:32 Rep. Sinrud
 03:19:02 Rep. Sesso
 03:27:33 Mr. Ferriter
 03:27:45 Rep. Sesso
 03:30:10 Rep. Beck
 03:30:51 Rep. Sesso
 03:31:43 Mr. Thatcher
 03:38:04 Rep. Sesso
 03:40:27 Ms. Jervais
 03:41:26 Rep. Sesso
 03:42:26 Rep. Beck
 03:42:59 Rep. Sesso
 03:43:31 Mr. Ferriter
 03:44:26 Rep. Franklin
 03:45:11 Mr. Lynch
 03:47:21 Rep. Franklin
 03:48:18 Mr. Ewer
 03:50:22 Rep. Franklin
 03:51:33 Rep. Jayne
 03:53:38 Rep. Hollenbaugh
 03:57:48 Mr. Fasbender
 03:58:46 Rep. Jayne
 04:01:32 Mr. Petesch
 04:01:46 Rep. Morgan
 04:07:47 Mr. Ferriter
 04:09:19 Rep. Sesso
 04:11:00 Mr. Anderson
 04:13:51 Ms. Jervais
 04:14:28 Rep. Sesso
 04:15:31 Mr. Kelly
 04:17:21 Rep. Sesso
 04:18:46 Rep. Hiner
 04:19:25 Mike Mahoney, Warden, Montana State Prison

04:23:11 Rep. Hiner
04:23:36 Rep. Beck
04:24:18 Rep. Morgan
04:24:35 Rep. Beck
04:25:32 Rep. Hiner
04:28:58 Pam Bunke, Administrator, Community Corrections
04:29:19 Ms. Schaffer
04:29:49 Rep. Hiner
04:30:33 Mr. Burke
04:31:59 Rep. McChesney
04:34:29 Rep. Beck
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04:37:14 Rep. Sinrud
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04:54:55 Rep. Sinrud
04:58:14 Rep. Franklin
05:00:08 Rep. Taylor
05:01:43 Mr. Ferriter
05:02:14 Rep. Callahan
05:04:14 Rep. Sinrud

Closing by Sponsor:

05:04:23 Rep. Beck

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 1:20 P.M.

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([aph47aad.pdf](#))