

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chairwoman Arlene Becker, on February 11, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Arlene Becker, Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chairwoman (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham, Vice Chairwoman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Julie French (D)
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)
Rep. David Howard (R)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)
Rep. Michael More (R)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Cary Smith (R)
Rep. Ron Stoker (R)
Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Santella Baglivo, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 399, 2/4/2009; HJ 17, 2/4/2009

Executive Action: HB 20, HB 257, HB 307, HB 310, HJ 17

HEARING ON HB 399

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:35 Rep. Timothy Furey (D), HD 91, opened the hearing on
HB 399, Establish principles for provider rates.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:22 Sen. Kaufmann, SD 41

EXHIBIT (huh32a01)

00:07:32 Janey McCall, Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch

00:13:26 Jim Fitzgerald, Executive Director, Intermountain
Children's Home

00:19:15 Steve Nelsen, Director, Montana Children's Initiative

00:23:07 Wally Melcher, CEO, Helena Industries

00:26:39 Susan Dow, Montana Children's Service Providers for
Mental Illness

00:27:34 Jan Cahill, Executive Director, Montana Association for
Community Disability Services

00:31:36 Charlie Briggs, Easter Seals Goodwill

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:33:13 Rep. Ingraham

00:33:48 Mr. Briggs

00:34:16 Rep. Ingraham

00:34:54 Rep. Furey

00:35:35 Rep. Ingraham

00:35:54 Rep. Furey

00:36:15 Chairwoman Becker

00:36:29 Rep. Furey

00:36:40 Chairwoman Becker

00:36:59 Rep. Furey

00:37:20 Chairwoman Becker

00:37:21 Rep. Furey

00:37:28 Sen. Kaufmann

00:38:15 Chairwoman Becker

00:38:41 Sen. Kaufmann

00:38:43 Chairwoman Becker

00:38:46 Sen. Kaufmann

00:39:30 Chairwoman Becker

00:39:31 Rep. Ingraham

00:40:21 Sen. Kaufmann

00:41:23 Rep. More

00:42:21 Sen. Kaufmann
00:42:35 Ms. McCall
00:43:14 Rep. More
00:43:54 Ms. McCall
00:45:11 Rep. More
00:45:39 Ms. McCall
00:46:51 Rep. Beck
00:47:36 Rep. Furey
00:47:45 Rep. Beck
00:48:40 Rep. Furey
00:49:31 Chairwoman Becker
00:49:33 Ms. McCall
00:50:34 Rep. Beck
00:52:01 Ms. McCall
00:53:11 Rep. Beck
00:53:54 Rep. Stoker
00:54:15 Chairwoman Becker
00:54:19 Ms. McCall
00:54:27 Rep. Stoker
00:55:17 Ms. McCall
00:56:47 Rep. Stoker
00:56:53 Chairwoman Becker
00:56:57 Mr. Fitzgerald
00:57:38 Rep. Stoker
00:58:39 Mr. Fitzgerald
00:59:18 Rep. Stoker
00:59:50 Rep. Ingraham
01:00:56 Rep. Furey
01:01:38 Rep. Ingraham
01:01:55 Rep. Furey
01:02:38 Rep. Hunter
01:03:56 Rep. Furey
01:05:45 Rep. Hunter
01:06:33 Mr. Fitzgerald
01:07:25 Rep. Hunter
01:07:54 Mr. Fitzgerald
01:08:46 Rep. Stoker
01:09:21 Mr. Fitzgerald
01:10:46 Ms. McCall
01:12:12 Jeff Folsom, Aware Inc.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:12:53 Rep. Furey

HEARING ON HJ 17

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:20:53 Rep. Julie French (D), HD 36, opened the hearing on HJ 17, Study use of medication aides in nursing homes.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:23:48 Rose Hughes, Executive Director, Montana Health Care Association

EXHIBIT (huh32a02)

01:27:18 Casey Blumenthal, Montana Hospital Association

01:30:03 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:31:38 Jeff Buska, Administrator, Quality Assurance Division, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:32:37 Rep. Ingraham
01:33:51 Rep. French
01:34:35 Chairwoman Becker
01:35:05 Ms. Hughes
01:35:25 Chairwoman Becker
01:35:32 Ms. Hughes
01:36:18 Rep. Beck
01:37:02 Rep. French

Closing by Sponsor:

01:38:15 Rep. French

01:42:19 Chairwoman Becker calls a recess.

01:54:41 Chairwoman Becker resumes hearing.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 307

01:56:04 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 307 DO PASS.**

01:56:16 Ms. O'Connell, LSD

01:57:04 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 307 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT (huh32a03)

01:57:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:57:45 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 307 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:57:58 Rep. Stoker

01:58:13 Ms. O'Connell

01:58:54 Rep. Stoker

01:59:11 Pat Melby, Montana Medical Association

01:59:51 Rep. Stoker

01:59:58 Rep. Furey

02:00:21 Chairwoman Becker

02:00:23 Ms. O'Connell

02:00:58 Rep. Ingraham

02:01:33 Rep. French

02:02:38 Chairwoman Becker

02:03:04 Rep. Stoker

02:03:27 Mr. Melby

02:04:23 Chairwoman Becker

02:04:35 Rep. Peterson

02:06:16 Rep. Howard

02:07:36 Chairwoman Becker

02:08:59 Rep. Howard

02:09:29 Chairwoman Becker

02:09:34 Rep. French

02:09:45 Rep. Hunter

02:10:12 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Becker, Rep. Caferro, Rep. French, Rep. Furey, Rep. Hunter, Rep. McAlpin, Rep. Noonan, and Rep. Sands voting aye.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 20

02:11:40 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 20 DO PASS.**

02:12:25 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 20 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT (huh32a04)

Discussion:

02:12:47 Ms. O'Connell

02:13:50 Rep. McAlpin

02:14:09 Rep. Ingraham

02:14:38 Chairwoman Becker

02:15:00 Rep. Furey

02:15:34 Rep. McAlpin
02:15:51 Rep. Furey
02:15:58 Rep. McAlpin
02:16:06 Chairwoman Becker
02:16:08 Rep. Stoker
02:17:07 Chairwoman Becker
02:17:29 Ms. O'Connell

02:18:11 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-2 by voice vote with
Rep. More and Rep. Smith voting no.

02:18:55 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 20 DO PASS AS
AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:19:04 Rep. Peterson
02:20:16 Rep. McAlpin

02:20:39 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with
Rep. Becker, Rep. Caferro, Rep. French, Rep. Furey,
Rep. Hunter, Rep. McAlpin, Rep. Noonan, and Rep. Sands
voting aye.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 257

02:21:42 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 20 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:22:25 Ms. O'Connell
02:23:08 Rep. French
02:23:21 Chairwoman Becker
02:23:43 Ms. O'Connell

02:24:10 **Motion:** Rep. Sands moved that **HB 257 BE AMENDED.
[EXHIBIT \(huh32a05\)](#)**

02:24:30 **Vote:** Motion carried with Rep. More and Stoker
voting no.

02:25:03 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **257 DO PASS AS
AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:25:15 Rep. Howard
02:25:21 Chairwoman Becker
02:25:45 Rep. Peterson

02:25:54 Rep. French

02:26:28 **Vote:** Motion failed 1-15 by roll call vote with Rep. Noonan voting aye.

02:27:31 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **HB 257 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 310

02:27:54 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 310 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:28:21 Ms. O'Connell

02:29:13 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 310 BE AMENDED. EXHIBIT (huh32a06)**

Discussion:

02:29:42 Chairwoman Becker

02:29:46 Ms. O'Connell

02:29:57 Rep. Sands

02:30:08 Mr. Melby

02:31:23 **Vote:** Motion failed 6-10 by roll call vote with Rep. French, Rep. Furey, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Sands, and Rep. Stoker voting aye.

Discussion:

02:34:09 Rep. Ingraham

02:35:10 Rep. French

02:35:26 Mr. Melby

02:35:42 Rep. French

02:35:54 Mr. Melby

02:37:21 Rep. French

02:37:52 Mr. Melby

02:39:25 Rep. Peterson

02:43:17 Rep. Caferro

02:44:01 **Vote:** Motion failed unanimously by roll-call vote.

02:45:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **HB 310 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 17

02:46:05 **Motion:** Rep. Furey moved that **HJ 17 DO PASS.**

02:46:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

02:46:51 Adjournment 5:46 P.M.

Santella Baglivo, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([huh32aad.pdf](#))