

## **MINUTES**

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

#### **COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** Vice Chairwoman Caferro, on March 6, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Bill Beck (R)  
Rep. Julie French (D)  
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)  
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:** Rep. Arlene Becker, Chairman (D)  
Rep. David Howard (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Santella Baglivo, 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 634, 2/23/2009; SJ 5, 2/23/2009;  
SB 83, 2/23/2009

Executive Action: HB 634

**HEARING ON HB 634**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:43 Rep. Dave McAlpin (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on  
HB 634, Revise law on transportation of mentally ill.

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a01\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:07:26 John Honsky, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, Missoula,  
Montana

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a02\)](#)

00:14:00 Geri Stewart, Western Service Area Authority

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a03\)](#)

00:16:02 Rep. Welborn and Rep. Sands enter.

00:17:00 Brook Jaqueth, Self, Missoula, Montana

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a04\)](#)

00:18:30 Brenda Desmond, District Court Standing Master,  
Missoula, Montana

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a05\)](#)

00:24:31 Gary Mihelish, Physician

00:27:58 Anita Roessmann, Disability Rights Montana

00:32:33 Al Smith, Self, Helena, Montana

00:33:40 Robert Allen, Montana Nurses Association

[EXHIBIT \(huh50a06\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:35:47 Rep. French

00:36:44 Rep. Becker enters.

00:36:54 Rep. McAlpin

00:38:23 Rep. French

00:38:33 Rep. McAlpin

00:38:57 Rep. Furey

00:39:39 Rep. McAlpin

00:39:51 Rep. Stoker  
00:41:00 Ms. Roessmann  
00:43:01 Rep. Stoker  
00:44:15 Ms. Roessmann  
00:44:42 Rep. Stoker  
00:44:51 Ms. Roessmann  
00:45:07 Ms. Desmond  
00:46:36 Rep. Stoker  
00:48:33 Ms. Desmond  
00:50:20 Rep. Beck  
00:51:53 Rep. McAlpin  
00:53:10 Rep. Smith  
00:53:33 Ms. Desmond  
00:55:02 Ms. Roessmann  
00:57:21 Rep. Smith  
00:57:48 Ms. Roessmann  
00:58:22 Rep. Smith  
00:58:40 Ms. Roessmann  
00:58:56 Rep. Hunter  
00:59:19 Lois Steinbeck, Financial Analyst, Legislative Fiscal  
Services Division  
01:01:30 Ms. O'Connell, Legislative Services Division  
01:01:51 Rep. Peterson  
01:02:20 Ms. Desmond  
01:03:39 Rep. Peterson  
01:03:52 Ms. Desmond  
01:04:57 Rep. Peterson  
01:05:28 Ms. Desmond  
01:07:39 Rep. Peterson  
01:08:07 Ms. Desmond  
01:08:20 Rep. Peterson  
01:08:53 Ms. Desmond

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:09:50 Rep. McAlpin  
01:11:15 Vice Chairwoman Caferro calls a recess.  
01:18:59 Chairwoman Becker resumes hearing.

**HEARING ON SB 83**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:19:28 Sen. Rick Laible (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on  
SB 83, Confidentiality protection for review of  
emergency service calls.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:25:41 Jim DeTienne, EMS and Trauma Systems Sections,  
Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

[EXHIBIT\(huh50a07\)](#)

01:31:17 Susan Bomstad, Assistant Manager, Missoula 911 Center

[EXHIBIT\(huh50a08\)](#)

01:33:48 Debbie Ogden, Manager, Missoula 911 Center

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:36:48 Al Smith, Montana Trial Lawyers Association

01:41:40 John Barrows, Executive Director, Montana Newspapers  
Association

[EXHIBIT\(huh50a09\)](#)

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:48:38 Rep. French  
01:48:59 Mr. DeTienne  
01:49:19 Rep. French  
01:49:31 Mr. DeTienne  
01:49:53 Rep. French  
01:50:06 Mr. DeTienne  
01:50:46 Rep. French  
01:51:06 Mr. DeTienne  
01:51:43 Rep. French  
01:51:51 Mr. DeTienne  
01:52:40 Rep. Stoker  
01:53:20 Mr. Barrows  
01:53:35 Rep. B. Beck  
01:54:23 Mr. DeTienne  
01:55:06 Rep. B. Beck  
01:55:33 Mr. DeTienne  
01:56:37 Rep. B. Beck  
01:56:50 Mr. DeTienne  
01:57:14 Rep. Peterson  
01:58:01 Mr. DeTienne  
01:58:13 Rep. Peterson  
01:58:58 Mr. DeTienne  
01:59:12 Rep. Peterson  
01:59:37 Mr. DeTienne  
01:59:49 Rep. Peterson  
02:00:17 Sen. Laible  
02:00:42 Rep. Caferro  
02:00:57 Sen. Laible  
02:01:25 Rep. Caferro

02:01:54 Sen. Laible  
02:02:05 Rep. Caferro  
02:02:15 Sen. Laible  
02:02:31 Rep. Caferro  
02:02:39 Rep. French  
02:03:13 Mr. DeTienne  
02:03:33 Rep. B. Beck  
02:03:58 Sen. Laible

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:05:55 Sen. Laible

**HEARING ON SJ 5**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:09:23 Sen. Rick Laible (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on  
SJ 5, Continued interim monitoring of health care  
pricing and information disclosure.

[\*\*EXHIBIT\*\*](#)(huh50a10)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:13:48 John Flink, Montana Hospital Association  
02:15:17 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic  
02:16:48 Margaret Morgan, Montana Association of Physical  
Therapists

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:17:30 Chairwoman Becker  
02:17:55 Mr. Flink  
02:18:08 Rep. Ingraham  
02:19:05 Mr. Flink  
02:19:45 Rep. Ingraham  
02:19:53 Sen. Laible  
02:21:50 Reps. Furey and Stoker leave.

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:21:54 Sen. Laible

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 634**

02:23:09 Rep. McAlpin

02:23:25 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 634 DO PASS.**

02:23:32 **Motion:** Rep. McAlpin moved that **HB 634 BE AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

02:24:27 Rep. Caferro

02:24:47 Rep. McAlpin

02:24:57 Rep. Caferro

02:25:20 Rep. McAlpin

02:25:30 Rep. Caferro

02:26:04 Rep. McAlpin

02:26:16 Rep. Sands called the question.

02:26:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-2 by voice vote with Rep. Peterson and Rep. Stoker voting no. Reps. Furey, Howard and Stoker voted by proxy.

02:27:03 **Motion:** Rep. Caferro moved that **HB 634 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

02:27:13 Rep. McAlpin

02:27:33 Rep. More

02:28:21 Rep. McAlpin

02:28:56 Rep. Peterson

02:29:37 Rep. Smith

02:30:24 Rep. French

02:32:02 Rep. Hunter

02:33:08 Rep. Ingraham

02:34:27 Rep. B. Beck

02:35:18 Rep. McAlpin

02:35:35 Rep. Caferro

02:36:19 Rep. Noonan

02:36:45 Rep. Sands called the question.

02:36:52 **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. Reps. Furey, Howard and Stoker voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

02:38:29 Adjournment: 5:38 P.M.

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Santella Baglivo, Secretary

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**Additional Exhibits**

**EXHIBIT (huh50a11)** Letter from the Office of the Governor Budget  
and Program Planning re: HB 634

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT ([huh50aad.pdf](#))**