

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on January 17, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. David Howard, Chair (R)
Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. Michael (Mike) More (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Miranda Keaster, 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 115, 1/12/2011; HB 129, 1/12/2011
Executive Action: HB 115 Tabled

HEARING ON HB 115

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:33 Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D), HD 54, opened the hearing on HB 115,
Revise Medicaid eligibility criteria to implement federal health care reform.
00:01:57 Chairman Howard

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:02:30 Rep. Furey
00:02:41 Sue O'Connell
00:02:58 Chairman Howard

Closing by Sponsor: None

HEARING ON HB 129

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:38 Rep. Gary MacLaren (R), HD 89, opened the hearing on HB 129, Create state-
level external review process for health insurance.
00:07:29 Chairman Howard
00:07:37 Anita Roessmann, Community Member

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:08 Jesse Laslovich, on behalf of State Auditor Monica Lindeen
[EXHIBIT\(huh12a01\)](#)
00:15:52 Susan Witte, Vice President of Allegiance Life Company
[EXHIBIT\(huh12a02\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(huh12a03\)](#)
00:18:38 Dennis Lopach, American Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)
00:19:30 Claudia Clifford, Advocate for Association of American Retired People (AARP)
00:20:25 Jim Ahrens, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:53 Rep. Smith

00:22:27 Jesse Laslovich
00:22:56 Rep. Smith
00:23:08 Jesse Laslovich
00:23:36 Rep. Smith
00:24:12 Jesse Laslovich
00:24:59 Rep. Smith
00:25:23 Jesse Laslovich
00:25:38 Rep. Smith
00:25:42 Jesse Laslovich
00:25:47 Chairman Roberts
00:25:51 Rep. Ingraham
00:26:43 Jesse Laslovich
00:27:35 Rep. Ingraham
00:27:44 Jesse Laslovich
00:27:58 Rep. More
00:28:34 Dennis Lopach, AHIP
00:28:56 Rep. More
00:29:13 Jesse Laslovich
00:30:44 Chairman
00:30:51 Rep. Smith
00:31:29 Jesse Laslovich
00:32:53 Rep. Smith
00:33:21 Jesse Laslovich
00:33:59 Rep. Ingraham
00:34:41 Jesse Laslovich
00:35:51 Rep. Smith
00:36:49 Jesse Laslovich
00:37:48 Chairman Howard
00:38:37 Jesse Laslovich
00:39:29 Chairman Howard
00:39:44 Jesse Laslovich
00:40:27 Chairman Howard
00:40:33 Rep. Read
00:41:22 Jesse Laslovich
00:42:24 Chairman Howard
00:42:43 Jesse Laslovich
00:42:51 Chairman Howard
00:43:03 Jesse Laslovich
00:43:15 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:43:45 Jesse Laslovich
00:44:35 Rep. Ingraham
00:45:56 Jesse Laslovich
00:46:04 Chairman Howard
00:46:07 Jesse Laslovich
00:46:28 Rep. Kennedy
00:47:13 Chairman Howard
00:46:43 Jesse Laslovich

Closing by Sponsor:

00:47:23 Rep. MacLaren
00:50:13 Chairman Howard
00:50:46 Rep. Noonan
00:50:50 Chairman Howard
00:51:07 Rep. Noonan
00:51:15 Chairman Howard
00:51:20 Rep. Ingraham

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 115

00:51:25 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bangerter moved that **HB 115 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:52:00 Sue O'Connell

[**EXHIBIT\(huh12a04\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(huh12a05\)**](#)

00:53:51 Rep. Bangerter

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:54:01

Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh12aad.pdf](#))