

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Don Roberts, on January 19, 2011 at 8:00 AM, in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Don Roberts, Chair (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. John Esp (R)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Rep. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Branch
Miranda Keaster, Committee Secretary
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch
Kris Wilkinson, 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 Public Testimony: Disability Services Division, Children's Mental Health Service, Developmental Disability Services

00:00:03 Chairman Roberts
00:00:43 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Children's Mental Health

Public Testimony:

00:01:58 Laura Cowee, Intermountain
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a01\)](#)
00:03:09 Michael Kalous, Intermountain
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a02\)](#)
00:08:52 Ann Tappe Scarff, Guardian
00:13:07 John Linn, Western Montana Mental Health Center Deputy Director
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a03\)](#)
00:18:05 Sen. Priest entered.
00:26:08 Zoe Barnard, Montana Youth Homes Rocky Mountain Council
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a04\)](#)
00:29:39 Duran Caferro, Montana Youth Homes Program Coordinator
00:32:11 Andree Deligdisch, Head Start and Early Head Start of Great Falls
00:37:46 Merlana Chadwick, Montana Youth Homes Lead Youth Support Staff
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a05\)](#)
00:42:30 Drew Lindle, Montana Youth Homes
00:43:46 Emily McVey, Montana Youth Homes
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a06\)](#)

Questions and Comments:

00:49:04 Rep. Burnett
00:49:23 Laura Cowee, Intermountain
00:50:20 Chairman Roberts

Public Testimony continued:

00:50:27 Pam Ponich-Hunthausen, Clinic Director, Florence Crittenton Home (FCH)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a07\)](#)
01:00:58 Amanda Walker, Program Manager, FCH
01:03:49 Lechelle Moore, Resident, FCH
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a08\)](#)
01:05:57 Amber Goodin, Talbot Home/Youth Homes
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a09\)](#)
01:09:46 Latoya Dillon, Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (YBGR)
01:11:57 Kristin Bauwens, Youth Case Manager, YBGR
01:12:51 Janie McCall, YBGR
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a10\)](#)
01:19:05 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)
01:20:42 Kevin Wyse, Licensed Clinical Counselor, Youth Dynamics
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a11\)](#)

01:27:21 Kelly Sloan, Program Manager, Youth Dynamics Therapeutic Group Home

Questions and Comments:

01:33:36 Rep. Belcourt
01:34:10 Drew Lindle, Montana Youth Homes
01:34:32 Rep. Burnett
01:34:54 John Linn, Deputy Director, Western Montana Mental Health Center
01:36:05 Rep. Burnett
01:36:31 Kristin Bauwens, Youth Case Manager, YBGR
01:37:11 Chairman Roberts

Public Testimony continued:

01:37:18 Dan Anue, Mental Health American of Montana
01:40:16 Jim McVeigh, Acadia Montana Business Development Director
01:42:11 Anita Roessman, Disability Rights Montana
01:45:08 Dennis Taylor, Policy Coordinator, Montana Children's Institute (MCI)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a12\)](#)
001:49:21 Terri Minnow, Montana Education Association - Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

Questions and Comments:

01:50:23 Chairman Roberts
01:51:00 Anita Roessman, Disability Rights Montana
01:52:39 Rep. Schmidt
01:53:58 Janie McCall, YBGR
01:56:23 Rep. Schmidt
01:56:33 Michael Kalous, Intermountain
01:58:21 Matt Kuntz, NAMI Montana
01:59:40 Chairman Roberts
01:59:52 Matt Kuntz, NAMI Montana
02:01:05 Andree Deligdisch, Head Start and Early Head Start of Great Falls
02:04:21 Laura Cowee, Intermountain
02:05:41 Recess
02:13:45 Reconvene

Disability Services Division

02:15:47 Brad Lancaster, Volunteer Board Member, Helena Industries
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a13\)](#)
02:18:53 Wilfred Sunchild, Parent
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a14\)](#)
02:22:16 Douglas C. Potter, Parent
[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a15\)](#)
02:25:28 Janie Smith Reese, Parent
02:28:48 Sarah Groves, Parent
02:34:16 Krista Boutilier, CR Anderson Library
02:37:10 Lisa DiGiallonardo, Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh14a16)

02:42:12 Shanna Chapman, Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh14a17)

02:46:29 Wally Melcher, Helena Industries Director

EXHIBIT(jhh14a18)

02:50:58 Marita Martiniak, Real Food Store

02:52:12 Real Food Store Employee

EXHIBIT(jhh14a19)

Questions and Comments:

02:53:32 Rep. Schmidt

Public Testimony continued:

02:53:55 Chairman Roberts

02:54:30 Susan Pesta, West Mont

EXHIBIT(jhh14a20)

02:56:28 Diane Reidelbach, Job Connection

EXHIBIT(jhh14a21)

EXHIBIT(jhh14a22)

03:02:36 David Eaton, Counterpoint Incorporated

EXHIBIT(jhh14a23)

03:04:39 Stuart Brownlow

03:06:01 Colette Brownlow, Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh14a24)

03:09:15 Rich Rader, Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh14a25)

03:16:20 Carol Loomis, Parent

03:18:45 Jesse Stoecker

03:20:05 Herb Noyes, Resource, Support and Development Industries (RDS)

EXHIBIT(jhh14a26)

03:24:25 Steve McGuire, Reach Incorporated

03:27:54 MaryAnn Hunt, Child Support, Child Development Center Family Support
Specialist

03:32:06 Chris Volinkaty, Executive Director, Child Development Center (CDC)

03:37:50 Louise Hull, Helena Industries

03:39:15 Suzie Hull, Helena Industries

03:40:27 Danni Altenburg, Easter Seals

EXHIBIT(jhh14a27)

03:43:12 David Lockie, Parent

03:47:28 Terri Minnow, MEA-MFT

03:50:04 Dennis Taylor, Children's Disability Services

EXHIBIT(jhh14a28)

03:52:23 Peggy Hollow-Phelps, Pre-School Special Education Teacher

03:54:59 Rep. Tim Furey, HD 91

03:59:28 Rob Tallon, Reach Incorporated

04:01:52 Greg Olson, Director of Programs, Helena Industries

04:05:22 Barbara Gaskell, Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh14a29)

04:08:03 Anita Roessman, Disability Rights Montana

Questions and Comments:

04:10:43 Rep. Esp

04:12:05 Diane Reidelbach, Job Connection

04:12:16 Rep. Esp

04:12:21 Sen. Caferro

04:12:45 Jan Cahill, Montana Association of Disability Services

04:15:28 Sen. Caferro

04:15:32 Rep. Belcourt

04:15:58 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

04:16:16 Rep. Belcourt

04:16:31 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 04:17:01

Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a30\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14a31\)](#)

Additional Documents:

[EXHIBIT\(jhh14aad.pdf\)](#)