

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Don Roberts, on February 4, 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 and Public Testimony: Child and Family Services

00:00:04 Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
00:02:08 Chairman Roberts
00:02:10 Marilyn Daumiller
00:03:12 Chairman Roberts
00:03:17 Sen. Caferro
00:03:51 Hank Hudson, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
00:04:22 Sen. Caferro
00:04:26 Chairman Roberts

Child and Family Services

00:04:39 Marilyn Daumiller, LFD
00:08:51 Chairman Roberts
00:08:58 Marilyn Daumiller
00:09:18 Shirley Brown, Administrator, Child and Family Services, DPHHS

[**EXHIBIT\(jhh28a01\)**](#)

Questions and Comments:

00:59:12 Rep. Belcourt
00:59:32 Shirley Brown, DPHHS
01:00:32 Rep. Belcourt
01:00:36 Shirley Brown
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01:01:42 Rep. Belcourt
01:01:55 Shirley Brown
01:02:37 Rep. Belcourt
01:02:57 Sen. Lewis
01:03:31 Shirley Brown
01:04:26 Sen. Lewis
01:05:25 Anna Whiting Sorrell, DPHHS
01:09:09 Sen. Lewis
01:10:19 Anna Whiting Sorrell
01:13:55 Sen. Caferro
01:14:34 Shirley Brown
01:14:56 Sen. Caferro
01:15:37 Shirley Brown
01:16:24 Anna Whiting Sorrell
01:17:36 Sen. Caferro
01:18:39 Chairman Roberts
01:18:48 Sen. Priest
01:19:26 Shirley Brown
01:20:42 Sen. Priest
01:21:10 Shirley Brown
01:21:25 Sen. Priest
01:22:37 Shirley Brown
01:26:22 Chairman Roberts
01:26:27 Rep. Schmidt
01:28:39 Chairman Roberts

Decision Packages

01:29:47 Shirley Brown, DPHHS

Questions and Comments:

01:41:08 Rep. Schmidt
01:41:20 Shirley Brown, DPHHS
01:45:14 Sen. Priest
01:45:45 Marilyn Daumiller, LFD
01:46:05 Sen. Priest
01:46:22 Marilyn Daumiller
01:46:47 Sen. Priest
01:46:56 Marilyn Daumiller
01:47:02 Pat Sullivan, Governor's Budget Office
01:47:31 Shirley Brown
01:48:33 Chairman Roberts
01:48:45 Shirley Brown
01:49:22 Chairman Roberts
01:49:24 Rep. Esp
01:49:51 Recess
01:56:22 Reconvene

Public Testimony:

01:56:26 Chairman Roberts
01:57:03 Shari Mundaniohl, Family Support Worker, Family Concepts
01:59:41 Joanna West, Parent
02:00:35 Chairman Roberts
02:00:44 Wendy Houghton, Licensed Foster Care Parent
02:04:21 Linda Cles, Transitional Care Manager, Montana Foster Care Independence Program

EXHIBIT(jhh28a03)

02:08:12 Chairman Roberts
02:08:21 Millie Armstrong, Special Education Teacher and Foster Care Parent
02:10:51 Marie Amundson, Foster Care Parent
02:13:53 Tina Cubbage, Chief Executive Officer, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Helena
02:17:06 Betty Morrison, Parent
02:19:42 Brian Ballou, Big Brothers Big Sisters Member
02:21:54 Chairman Roberts
02:22:01 John MacDonald, Big Brothers Big Sisters Member
02:23:36 Cody Wood, Foster Care Parent, Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (YBGR)
02:26:08 Tiffany Wood, Foster Care Parent, YBGR
02:27:42 Daniel Corradini, Youth Homes Incorporated

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02:31:20 LeAnn Harrison, Foster Care Parent
02:34:55 Cindy Gabbert, Foster Care Parent
02:38:02 Sen. Caferro
02:38:31 Tiffany Wood
02:38:53 Sen. Caferro

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02:39:05 Tiffany Wood
02:39:25 Chairman Roberts
02:39:30 Marilyn Daumiller, LFD
02:39:46 Sen. Caferro
02:39:57 Marilyn Daumiller
02:40:03 Rep. Schmidt
02:40:08 Marilyn Daumiller
02:41:37 Chairman Roberts
02:41:39 Shirley Brown
02:41:47 Marilyn Daumiller
02:41:56 Rep. Schmidt
02:42:12 Marilyn Daumiller
02:42:27 Rep. Schmidt
02:42:36 Rep. Esp
02:42:46 Chairman Roberts
02:43:11 Glen Van Dyke, Foster Care Parent
02:45:48 Denis Pitman, Foster Care Parent
02:50:04 Joseph Pitman, Foster Child
02:51:44 Diandra Pitman, Foster Child
02:52:17 Rene Pitman, Foster Child

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02:52:54 Rep. Schmidt
02:53:30 Dan Maronick, Watson's Children's Shelter, Missoula
02:57:29 Pam Ponich-Hunthausen, Clinical Director, Florence Crittenton Home

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03:00:24 Stephanie Heitman, Teen Mom, Florence Crittenton Home
03:03:39 Maureen Shaughnessy, Living Training Coordinator, Florence Crittenton Home
03:07:16 AureliaTait, Foster Child
03:12:26 Diane Anderson, Foster Care Parent
03:14:24 Wendy Ochs, Family Support Network
03:16:46 Jessica Gorman, Family Support Network
03:17:57 Mark Gallaways, Family Support Network
03:21:08 Deb Dalke, Foster Care Parent
03:22:38 Barbara Sample, Non-profit Foundations
03:26:24 Matthew Lowe, County Attorney
03:29:46 Kimberly Dudick, Assistant County Attorney
03:31:04 Sen. Caferro
03:31:46 Mark Gallaways
03:33:00 Sen. Caferro
03:33:19 Mark Gallaways
03:35:01 Sen. Caferro
03:35:15 Mark Gallaways
03:35:37 Karl Osterman, Single Family Services
03:39:07 Liz Moore, Rocky Mountain Group Home and Shelter

EXHIBIT(jhh28a07)

03:42:40 Merlana Chadwick, Jan Shaw Youth Home for Girls
03:46:29 Joe Loos, Executive Director, Friends to Youth

EXHIBIT(jhh28a08)

03:49:42 Geoff Birnbaum, Executive Director, Youth Homes Incorporated

EXHIBIT(jhh28a09)

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03:52:24 Marla Jendro, Family Services
03:53:38 Liz Burke, Community Member
03:55:34 Nancy Marks, Foster Adoptive Parent

EXHIBIT(jhh28a10)

03:56:29 Patricia Russette, Child Family Services
03:58:44 Jim Corrigan, Cascade County Youth Homes

EXHIBIT(jhh28a11)

04:00:47 William Swartz, Foster Care Parent
04:03:45 Bernadette McDonald, Intermountain Providence Home

EXHIBIT(jhh28a12)

04:06:25 Kimberly Gardner, Intermountain

EXHIBIT(jhh28a13)

04:08:51 Kelly Zimmerman, Intermountain

EXHIBIT(jhh28a14)

04:10:21 Pat Lewllyn, Foster Care Parent
04:12:11 Tony Shelton, Montana Foster Care Adoptive Parent Association

EXHIBIT(jhh28a15)

04:13:04 Russell Genaw, Foster Care Parent
04:14:04 Chairman Roberts
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EXHIBIT(jhh28a16)

04:16:35 Rep. Esp
04:16:46 Chairman Roberts
04:16:51 Rep. Schmidt

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 04:17:22

Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jhh28aad.pdf](#))