MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on February 11, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. David Howard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chairman (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. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Michael (Mike) More (R)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)

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 389, 2/8/2011; HB 429, 2/8/2011

Executive Action: HB 376, HB 377, HB 312

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 376

00:01:12 Chairman Howard

00:01:34 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 376 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. More voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 312

00:02:10 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 312 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:02:16 Chairman Howard
00:02:20 Rep. Smith
00:02:47 Chairman Howard
00:02:51 Rep. Hunter
00:03:36 Rep. Skattum entered.

00:04:28 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Pease-Lopez voting no. Rep. More voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 377

00:04:33 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 377 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:05:27 Rep. Noonan

00:05:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. More voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 389

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:06:28 Rep. Pat Noonan (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 389, Require warning label on marijuana sold for medical use.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:53 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI)
EXHIBIT(huh34a01)
00:10:18 Dr. Gary Mihelish, NAMI Montana
00:13:00 John Wilkinson, Self
00:16:16 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
EXHIBIT(huh34a02)

00:17:09 Jeffrey Krott, Self
00:18:54 Joe Estenson, Self
00:19:52 Hiedi Handford, Self, Lincoln

Opponents' Testimony:

00:20:31 Cherrie Brady, Chair, Safe Community Safe Kids
00:21:00 Susan Smith, Self, Billings
00:21:12 Candace Payne, Rimrock Foundation
00:21:58 Bob Hillard, Elks, Billings
00:22:12 Rose Habib, Cannibus Analysis
00:24:00 Rep. More entered.
00:24:30 Steve Zabawa, Self, Billings

Informational Testimony:

00:25:46 Scott Montgomery, Caregiver

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:59 Rep. Ingraham
00:27:49 Rep. Noonan
00:28:23 Rep. Ingraham
00:29:53 Rep. Noonan
00:30:22 Rep. Ingraham
00:30:32 Chairman Howard
00:30:44 Rep. Read
00:31:17 Rep. Noonan
00:31:40 Rep. Read

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:46 Rep. Noonan

HEARING ON HB 429

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:26 Rep. Tom Berry (R), HD 45, opened the hearing on HB 429, Revise procedures related to the Medical Marijuana Act.
00:36:55 Rep. Cary Smith, HD 55, Co-Sponsor
EXHIBIT(huh34a03)
00:37:43 Rep. Fitzpatrick, Rep. Noonan, and Rep. Skattum exited.
00:47:45 Rep. Ken Peterson, HD 46, Co-Sponsor
00:50:37 Rep. Fitzpatrick entered.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:59:55 Cherrie Brady, Chair, Safe Community Safe Kids
01:00:56 Mark Long, Montana Narcotics Officers Association

01:02:10 Susan Smith, Self, Billings
01:02:36 Bob Hilliard, Elks, Billings
01:03:18 Rick Miller, Sergeant, Lewistown Police Department
01:06:36 Steve Zabawa, Self, Billings
01:07:39 John Flink, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:09:23 Tawyna LaFond, Caregiver
EXHIBIT(huh34a04)
01:11:55 Hiedi Handford, Self, Lincoln
01:14:03 Katrina Farnham, Self, Missoula
01:17:10 Scott Montgomery, Self
01:18:01 Rep. Furey exited.
01:18:47 Joe Estenson, Self
01:19:58 Jeff Swenson, Montana Cannibus
01:20:41 Candace Payne, Rimrock Foundation
01:22:56 William Hund, Caregiver
01:24:00 Jack Mayes-Gentry, Self
01:26:06 Nick Hagglund, Self
01:26:46 Ken Lindeman, Self
01:28:49 Jeffrey Krott, Self
01:32:03 Jenna Wilkins, Caregiver
01:33:11 Martha Koffler, Self, Butte
01:34:16 Barb Trego, Medical Cannibus Patient
01:35:30 Roxann Settera, Self, Great Falls
01:36:45 Tyler Duncan, Self
01:37:27 Grant Grenfell, Self
01:38:24 Marla Synness, Self

Informational Testimony:

01:39:49 Mary Anne Guggenheim, Physician, Board of Medical Examiners
EXHIBIT(huh34a05)
01:43:58 Rep. Yates exited.
01:44:17 Mary Phippen, Montana Association of Clerk's of District Court
01:46:32 Rep. Yates entered.
01:49:14 Rep. Kennedy exited.
01:49:53 Rep. Noonan entered.
01:50:23 Jonathan Polich, Police Officer, Lewistown Police Department
01:51:28 Dr. Michael Geci, Physician, Bozeman

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:56:08 Rep. Kennedy
01:56:32 Rep. Smith
01:56:43 Rep. More
01:57:13 Rep. Berry
01:57:31 Rep. Fitzpatrick
01:58:43 Rep. Peterson

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02:00:19 Rep. Peterson
02:01:13 Rep. Fitzpatrick
02:01:47 Rep. Peterson
02:02:39 Chairman Howard
02:02:44 Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:03:31 Rep. Peterson
02:04:55 Rep. Pease-Lopez
02:05:04 Rep. Peterson
02:06:39 Chairman Howard

Closing by Sponsor:

02:06:48 Rep. Berry

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:08:03

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Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT(huh34a06)

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT(huh34aad.pdf)