

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

Call to Order: Chair Terry Murphy, on January 17, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317-C
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Terry Murphy, Chair (R)
Sen. Jason Priest, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Rowlie Hutton (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Liane Taylor, Committee Secretary

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:	SB 37, 1/11/2011
Executive Action	SB 25 DO PASS.
	SB 28 DO PASS.
	SB 125 DO PASS.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 25

00:00:59 **Motion:** Sen. Gillan moved that **SB 25 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:01:49 Sen. Gillan

00:02:59 Sen. Lewis

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote 4-3 with Sens. Hutton, Priest and Murphy voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 28

00:04:53 **Motion:** Sen. Gillan moved that **SB 28 DO PASS.**

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 125

00:06:32 Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:07:16 **Motion:** Sen. Lewis moved that **SB 125 DO PASS.**

00:07:41 **Motion:** Sen. Caferro moved that **SB 125 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(phs12a01\)](#)

Discussion:

00:09:52 Sen. Lewis

00:10:21 Julianne Burkhardt, LSD

00:10:29 Sen. Caferro

00:11:27 Sen. Priest

00:12:26 Sen. Caferro

00:13:13 Julianne Burkhardt

00:15:54 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-4 with Sens. Hutton, Lewis, Priest, and Murphy voting no.

Discussion:

00:16:22 Sen. Murphy

00:16:52 Sen. Gillan

00:20:20 Sen. Caferro

00:22:31 **Motion/Vote:** Chairman Murphy moved that **SB 125 DO PASS**. Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote with Sens. Gillan and VanDyk voting no.

00:22:42 Recess

00:32:19 Reconvene

HEARING ON SB 37

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:32:23 Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SB 37, Eliminate statutory physician provider rate increase.

[EXHIBIT\(phs12a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(phs12a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:41:19 Dave Ewer, Director, Budget and Program Planning Office, Office of the Governor

00:45:20 Anna Whiting Sorrell, Director, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

00:49:08 Anne Brodsky, Chief Legal Counsel, Office of the Governor

Opponents' Testimony:

00:51:10 Erin MacLean, representing Montana Medical Association (MMA)

[EXHIBIT\(phs12a04\)](#)

00:58:16 John Flink, representing Montana Hospitals Association (MHA)

01:00:19 Dr. Kathleen Trapp, M.D., representing self

01:03:03 Dr. Ken Graham, M.D., representing self

01:07:02 Mike Foster, representing Catholic Hospitals of Montana (CHA)

[EXHIBIT\(phs12a05\)](#)

01:09:14 Aimee Grmoljez, representing Billings Clinic

01:10:35 Frank Cote, Senior Director Government Relations, Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS)

01:12:36 Jon Metropoulos, representing AWARE

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:15:31 Sen. Gillan

01:15:58 Anne Sorrell, DPHHS

01:16:19 Sen. Gillan

01:16:42 Anne Sorrell

01:16:47 Sen. Gillan

01:17:26 Anne Sorrell

01:19:46 Sen. Gillan

01:21:24 Erin MacLean, MMA

01:23:15 Kathleen Trapp, M.D.

01:23:51 Ken Graham, M.D.

01:24:57 Anne Sorrell

Closing by Sponsor:

01:25:14 Sen. Hawks

ADJOURNMENT

01:28:34 Adjournment:

Liane Taylor, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([phs12aad.pdf](#))