

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

**Call to Order:** Chair Art Wittich, on January 7, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Art Wittich, Chair (R)  
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Kirk Wagoner, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Seth Berglee (R)  
Rep. Alan Doane (R)  
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)  
Rep. Stephanie Hess (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)  
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)  
Rep. Albert Olszewski (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch  
Phoebe Williams, 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:** Presentations by Maine Department of Health and Human Services, Foundation for Government Accountability, Montana Department of Health and Human Services, and Governor's Budget and Program Planning Office.

**COMMITTEE INTRODUCTIONS**

00:02:27 Chairman Wittich  
 00:04:06 Rep Mandeville  
 00:04:48 Rep Olszewski  
 00:05:01 Rep. Karjala  
 00:05:29 Rep Redfield  
 00:06:03 Rep Pease-Lopez  
 00:06:52 Rep. Ricci  
 00:07:26 Rep. Pierson  
 00:07:42 Rep. Wagoner  
 00:08:36 Sue O'Connell, Research Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
 00:08:56 Phoebe Williams, Secretary  
 00:09:15 Rep. Hill  
 00:10:30 Rep. Harris  
 00:11:37 Rep. Jacobson  
 00:12:47 Rep. Doane  
 00:13:11 Rep. Eck  
 00:13:49 Rep. Berglee  
 00:14:14 Rep. Hayman  
 00:15:13 Rep. Hess  
 00:15:41 Chairman Wittich

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a01\)](#)

**COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

00:26:32 **Motion:** Rep. Wagoner moved that **The House Human Services Committee Procedures for Amendments - 2015 BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:26:55 Sue O'Connell , LSD

00:27:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:27:45 Chairman Wittich

00:28:31 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wagoner moved that **THE COMMITTEE ALLOW PROXY VOTES BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:28:50 Chairman Wittich

00:30:11 **Motion:** Rep. Wagoner moved that **THE COMMITTEE ADOPT A RULE TO LIMIT INFORMATIONAL WITNESSES BE LIMITED TO THEIR NAME , THEIR ORGANIZATION AND THE INFORMATION THE CAN PROVIDE.**

**Discussion:**

00:30:31 Rep. Eck  
 00:31:01 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
 00:31:38 Rep. Harris

00:32:23 Chairman Wittich  
 00:33:27 Rep. Jacobson  
 00:34:16 Chairman Wittich  
 00:34:23 Rep. Wagoner  
 00:34:39 Chairman Wittich  
 00:35:06 Without objection, Rep. Wagoner withdrew the BE ADOPTED motion.  
 00:35:42 Recess  
 00:43:50 back in session

**ELECTRONIC PRESENTATION NATIONAL PERSPECTIVES ON MEDICAID, SNAP, AND TANF REFORMS**

00:46:32 Mary Mayhew, Commissioner, Maine Department of Health and Human Services (via electronic means)

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a02\)](#)

01:03:47 Recess due to technical difficulties  
 01:09:15 Ms. Mayhew, Maine DPHHS  
 01:19:51 Chairman Wittich

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:20:10 Rep. Olszewski  
 01:20:19 Ms. Mayhew, Maine DPHHS  
 01:20:57 Chairman Wittich  
 01:22:51 Glenda Oldenburg, Administrator, Addictive and Mental Disorders Division, Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

**OVERVIEW OF MONTANA'S MEDICAID, SNAP, AND TANF PROGRAMS**

01:23:41 Chairman Wittich  
 01:24:14 Sue O'Connell, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a03\)](#)

01:29:43 Lois Steinbeck, Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a04\)](#)

**GOVERNOR'S MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES**

01:37:35 Dan Villa, Governors Budget Director

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a07\)](#)

01:47:32 Ms. Oldenburg, DPHHS

**OVERVIEW OF MONTANA'S MEDICAID, SNAP, AND TANF PROGRAMS cont..**

01:49:41 Mary Dalton, Montana Medicaid Director, DPHHS

[EXHIBIT\(huh03a08\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:08:14 Chairman Wittich  
 02:08:51 Ms. Dalton DPHHS  
 02:09:04 Chairman Wittich  
 02:09:34 Ms. Dalton DPHHS  
 02:10:54 Chairman Wittich  
 02:11:04 MS. Dalton, DPHHS  
 02:11:22 Chairman Wittich  
 02:11:26 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
 02:11:38 Rep. Olszewski  
 02:12:17 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
 02:13:25 Rep. Olszewski  
 02:13:41 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
 02:13:47 Rep. Olszewski  
 02:14:03 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

**OVERVIEW OF MONTANA'S MEDICAID, SNAP, AND TANF PROGRAMS** contin...

02:14:20 Jamie Palagi, Administrator, Human and Community Services Division (DPHHS)  
[EXHIBIT\(huh03a09\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:21:20 Chairman Wittich  
 02:21:42 Ms. Palagi, DPHHS  
 02:23:18 Chairman Wittich  
 02:23:25 Ms. Palagi, DPHHS  
 02:24:01 Chairman Wittich  
 02:24:14 Ms. Palagi, DPHHS  
 02:24:24 Chairman Wittich  
 02:24:36 Ms. Palagi, DPHHS  
 02:24:48 Chairman Wittich  
 02:24:57 Ms. Palagi, DPHHS  
 02:26:03 Chairman Wittich

**National Perspectives on Medicaid, SNAP and TANF Reforms Cont.**

02:26:40 Nic Horton, Foundation of Government Accountability  
[EXHIBIT\(huh03a10\)](#)

02:33:31 Chairman Wittich  
 02:34:04 Richard Oppen, Director of Department of Health and Public Services (DPHHS)  
 02:34:41 Chairman Wittich

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment:  
02:35:37

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Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([huh03aad.pdf](#))**