

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Art Wittich, on February 2, 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. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Stephanie Hess (R)
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: Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)

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:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 305, 1/27/2015; HB 319, 1/27/2015; HB 348, 1/27/2015

00:01:09 Chairman Wittich

HEARING ON HB 348

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:34 Rep. Nancy Ballance (R), HD 87, opened the hearing on HB 348, Authorize interstate healthcare compact.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:06 Rep. Karjala
00:11:27 Rep. Ballance
00:12:19 Rep. Karjala
00:12:41 Rep. Ballance
00:13:10 Rep. Olszewski
00:13:27 Rep. Ballance
00:14:09 Chairman Wittich
00:14:24 Rep. Ballance
00:14:45 Rep. Pierson
00:14:58 Rep. Ballance
00:15:06 Rep. Pierson
00:15:11 Rep. Ballance
00:15:33 Rep. Pierson
00:15:43 Rep. Ballance

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:56 Rep. Ballance

HEARING ON HB 305

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:17:15 Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on HB 305, Revise laws related to protecting Montana's children.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:19:46 Lt. Governor Angela McLean
00:22:45 Chairman Wittich
00:23:02 Sarah Corbally, Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
00:32:47 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
00:35:02 Lora Cowee, Intermountain and Montana Children's Institute
00:40:14 Jamie Bailey, foster parents
00:45:13 Kate Siegrist, Missoula City County Health Department
00:45:45 Judith Birr, Missoula Foster Child Health Program

[EXHIBIT\(huh23a01\)](#)

00:50:19 Janie McCall, Legacy Provider Group
 00:53:37 Schyler Canfield-Baber, Self
 00:57:57 Pam Young, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) of Lewis and Clark and
 Broadwater Counties
 01:00:40 Todd Garrison, Child Wise Institute

EXHIBIT(huh23a02)

01:07:52 Barbara Burton, Florence Crittenton Home
 01:10:36 Scott Pederson, Montana Attorney General's Office
 01:13:04 Terry Minow, MEA-MFT
 01:14:51 Edith Clark, Self
 01:15:39 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Christians (MAC)
 01:17:09 Bryan Lockerby, Montana Division of Criminal Investigation
 01:18:35 Drenda Niemann, Lewis and Clark City County Health Department (LCCCHD)

EXHIBIT(huh23a03)

01:20:49 Dr. Bart Klika, Professor University of Montana

EXHIBIT(huh23a04)**EXHIBIT(huh23a05)**

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:24:21 Rep. Karjala
 01:24:56 Dr. Klika
 01:26:04 Rep. Karjala
 01:27:11 Dr. Klika
 01:27:44 Sarah Corbally DPHHS
 01:28:13 Rep. Pease Lopez
 01:29:06 Sarah Corbally DPHHS
 01:30:25 Rep. Pease Lopez
 01:30:36 Sarah Corbally, DPHHS
 01:30:41 Rep. Hill
 01:31:24 Sarah Corbally, DPHHS
 01:33:10 Rep. Hill
 01:33:47 Chairman Wittich
 01:34:19 Sarah Corbally, DPHHS
 01:36:12 Rep. Olszewski
 01:36:55 Sarah Corbally, DPHHS
 01:38:47 Rep. Harris
 01:40:27 Bryan Lockerby, Montana Division of Criminal Investigation
 01:41:24 Rep. Harris
 01:42:11 Rep. Dudik
 01:42:43 Rep. Harris

01:42:55 Rep. Dudik
01:43:09 Rep. Wagoner
01:43:30 Sarah Corbally DPHHS
01:45:05 Chairman Wittich
01:49:02 Sarah Corbally, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

01:49:15 Rep. Dudik

HEARING ON HB 319

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:51:23 Rep. Albert Olszewski (R), HD 11, opened the hearing on HB 319, Revise medical lien laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:52:40 Mark Baker, Kalispell Regional Health Care (KRH)

[EXHIBIT\(huh23a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh23a07\)](#)

01:58:20 Al Smith, Montana Trial Lawyers (MTLA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:59:52 Rep. Ricci
02:00:16 Mark Baker, KRH
02:00:52 Rep. Hayman
02:01:23 Mark Baker, KRH
02:01:36 Al Smith, MTLA
02:02:12 Rep. Hayman
02:02:45 Al Smith, MTLA
02:03:15 Chairman Wittich
02:03:39 Mark Baker, KRH

Closing by Sponsor:

02:04:46 Rep. Olszewski
02:05:07 Chairman Wittich

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:05:28

Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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