

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on January 10, 2017 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Amanda Curtis, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Adam Rosendale (R)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)
Rep. Jeremy Trebas (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, 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 16, 1/2/2017; HB 25, 1/2/2017; HB 73, 1/2/2017
Executive Action: HB 16; HB 25; HB 138; HB 141

SECRETARY OF STATE PRESENTATION:

00:01:49 Secretary Corey Stapleton, Secretary of State (SOS)
00:06:25 Harlan Wells, Secretary of State
00:07:53 Secretary Stapleton
00:09:14 Rep. Zolnikov left the meeting

HEARING ON HB 16**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:09:29 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 16, Revise interim committee review authority over alcohol beverage laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:57 John Iverson Montana Tavern Association (MTA)
00:12:03 Neil Peterson, Gaming Industry Association (GIA)
00:13:32 Shauna Helfert, Department of Revenue (DOR)
00:13:55 Paul Cartwright, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:06 Rep. Ricci

00:15:57 Recessed
00:24:18 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 138

00:25:00 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 138 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:25:04 Rep. Olsen
00:26:25 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:27:05 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Olsen moved that **HB 138 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(buh07a01)

00:28:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 138 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 16

00:30:11 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Curtis moved that **HB 16 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 141

00:32:12 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 141 DO PASS**.

00:32:43 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 141 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(buh07a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:33:17 Pat Murdo, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(buh07a03\)](#)

00:34:52 Rep. Rosendale

00:35:13 Rep. Ricci

00:36:04 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by voice vote with Rep. Rosendale voting no. Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

00:36:38 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 141 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:36:58 Rep. Rosendale

00:37:08 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by voice vote with Rep. Rosendale voting no. Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

00:38:21 Recessed

01:32:50 Reconvened

01:32:59 Chair Noland

01:33:03 Pat Murdo, LSD

01:35:40 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.

01:41:03 Chair Noland

01:42:18 Pat Murdo

01:44:03 Rep. Funk

01:44:21 Pat Murdo

01:46:59 Chair Noland

HEARING ON HB 25

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:47:19 Rep. Ryan Lynch (D), HD 76, opened the hearing on HB 25, Revise reporting for business industrial development corporations.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:49:01 Kelly O'Sullivan, Banking and Financial Institutions, Department of Administration (DOA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:50:31 Rep. Ricci
01:50:56 Kelly O'Sullivan, DOA
01:51:40 Rep. Ricci
01:52:03 Kelly O'Sullivan, DOA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:52:24 Rep. Lynch

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 25

01:53:22 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 25 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:53:56 Rep. Vinton
01:54:21 Rep. Windy Boy

01:54:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Olsen and Rep. Zolnikov voted by proxy.

01:56:30 Recessed.
02:09:39 Reconvened.

HEARING ON HB 73**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:10:10 Rep. Ryan Lynch (D), HD 76, opened the hearing on HB 73, Regulate certain air ambulance memberships as insurance.

Proponents' Testimony:

02:16:42 Benjamin Power, Self
02:22:14 Amy Thomson, Self
02:29:47 Elaine Eidum, Self
02:37:55 Bob Gilbert, Self
02:43:40 Sheryl Wood, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
02:46:22 Jesse Laslovich, Self

Opponents' Testimony:

02:54:08 Bob Biskupiak, Commission of Insurance and Securities, Office of the State Auditor (OSA)
02:57:26 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Regional Medical Center

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

03:01:30 Rep. Schreiner
03:02:12 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:02:54 Rep. Schreiner
03:03:10 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:03:12 Rep. Schreiner
03:04:37 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:04:42 Rep. Schreiner
03:05:01 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:05:45 Rep. Pierson
03:05:54 Ellen Steiner, REACH Air Ambulance Service
03:06:34 Rep. Vinton
03:07:16 Jesse Laslovich, Self
03:07:39 Rep. Olsen
03:08:41 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:09:18 Rep. Olsen
03:10:56 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:11:47 Rep. Ricci
03:12:29 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:13:11 Rep. Ricci
03:13:34 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:13:55 Rep. Rosendale
03:14:13 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:15:12 Rep. Trebas
03:15:41 Jesse Laslovich, Self
03:16:47 Rep. Olsen
03:17:48 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:18:40 Rep. Olsen
03:20:14 Jesse Laslovich, Self
03:21:14 Rep. Trebas
03:21:44 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:21:56 Chair Noland
03:22:02 Nancy Butler, Commission on Insurance and Securities, OSA
03:25:39 Chair Noland
03:25:48 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:26:17 Rep. Rosendale
03:26:48 Bob Biskupiak, OSA
03:27:49 Rep. Ricci
03:28:34 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:29:23 Rep. Zolnikov
03:30:58 Jesse Laslovich, Self
03:31:50 Rep. Schreiner
03:32:43 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:32:54 Rep. Schreiner
03:33:37 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:33:42 Rep. Schreiner
03:34:01 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:34:26 Rep. Schreiner

03:34:57 Nancy Butler, OSA
03:35:06 Rep. Curdy
03:36:10 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:36:15 Rep. Curdy
03:36:41 Bill Bryant, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition
03:38:55 Rep. Curdy
03:40:03 Rep. Rosendale
03:40:57 Jesse Laslovich, Self
03:41:31 Rep. Rosendale
03:41:40 Jesse Laslovich, Self

Closing by Sponsor:

03:42:02 Rep. Lynch

ADJOURNMENT

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Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh07aad.pdf](#))