

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on April 5, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 126, 4/5/2017; SB 145, 4/5/2017; SB 283, 4/5/2017
Executive Action: HB 239; SB 126; SB 145; SB 271; SB 283

HEARING ON SB 145**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:22 Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 145, Generally revise laws re when certain individuals may be transferred to DOC.

00:01:39 Rep. Hamlett arrived

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:01:52 Zoe Barnard, Department of Public Health And Human Services (DPHHS)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:03:09 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:03:16 Rep. Patelis arrived

00:03:51 Chair Ballance

00:04:17 Rep. Cuffe

00:04:51 Sen. Webb

00:05:20 Rep. Ryan

00:05:25 Rep. Lynch arrived

00:05:37 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

00:06:55 Sen. Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 239

00:08:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 239 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.** Motion carried 17-3 by voice vote with Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett and Rep. Glimm voting no. Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey were excused.

00:09:58 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 239 DO PASS.** Motion carried 16-6 by voice vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Holmlund and Rep. D. Jones voting no. Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy.

HEARING ON SB 283**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:12:27 Sen. Albert Olszewski (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB 283, Revise the Montana rural physician incentive program.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:32 Rep. Woods
 00:16:48 Sen. Olszewski
 00:17:25 Rep. Woods
 00:17:27 Chair Ballance

Closing by Sponsor:

00:17:38 Sen. Olszewski

HEARING ON SB 126**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:18:47 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 126, Revise laws related to property valuation appeal process.

[EXHIBIT\(aph71b01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:20:56 Rep. Cook
 00:21:23 Sen. Regier

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:02 Sen. Regier
 00:22:03 Rep. Cuffe left the meeting

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 126

00:23:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 126 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 14-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. D. Jones, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy. Rep. Tschida will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 145

00:24:59 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 145 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

00:25:11 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:25:41 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-15 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Knokey and Rep. Tschida voting aye. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy.

00:27:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 145 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 271

00:28:16 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 271 BE CONCURRED IN**.

00:28:33 **Motion:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **SB 271 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph71b02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:28:57 Chair Ballance

00:30:11 Rep Tschida

00:30:15 Rep. Cook

00:30:25 Chair Ballance

00:30:29 Rep. Lynch

00:30:50 Rep. Keane

00:31:10 Rep. Burnett

00:31:26 Chair Ballance

00:31:55 Rep. Cook

00:32:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Burnett voting no. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy.

00:32:42 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 271 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy. Rep. Hopkins will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 283

00:33:20 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **SB 283 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Burnett voting no. Rep. Cuffe, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Knokey voted by proxy. Rep. Holmlund will carry the bill.

00:35:45 Chair Ballance

00:35:47 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:36:12 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:36:42

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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