

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Kirk Wagoner, on April 5, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kirk Wagoner, Chair (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Ellie Hill Smith (D)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch
Carolyn Tschida, 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: SB 353, 4/3/2017; SB 362, 4/3/2017; SB 375, 4/3/2017

Executive Action: SB 160; SB 193; SB 321; SB 340; SB 166; SB 199; SB 104

HEARING ON SB 362**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:35 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 362, Requiring transparency in health care pricing.

00:01:48 Rep. Welch joined the meeting

00:02:30 Rep. Harris joined the meeting

00:07:07 Rep. Pierson joined the meeting

00:07:24 Rep. Ricci left the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

00:08:29 Bob Olsen, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

00:10:25 Mike Foster, Montana Catholic Hospitals

00:11:02 Kendall Cotton, Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Office (CSI)

00:13:04 Dr. Joseph Vincent, Optometry Physician

00:13:45 Rep. Hill Smith left the meeting

00:14:19 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

00:14:39 Jessie Luther, Benefis Health System

00:15:13 Bill Warden, Bozeman Health; St. Peters Hospital

00:15:31 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Regional Medical Center (KRMC)

00:16:11 David Hemion, Montana Dental Association

00:16:50 Marti Wangen, Montana Psychological Association; Montana Podiatric Association

00:17:37 Eve Franklin, Montana Optometric Association

Opponents' Testimony:

00:18:47 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor (GOV)

00:22:19 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source

EXHIBIT(huh71a01)

00:29:04 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Naturopathic Physicians (MANP);
Montana Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (MAMFT);
Montana Speech Language Hearing Association (MSHA)

00:32:05 Rep. Jacobson joined the meeting

00:34:34 Jim Edwards, Self

EXHIBIT(huh71a02)

00:38:00 Daniel Ladd, Mental Disabilities Board of Visitors (BOV)

00:39:00 John Doran, Blue Cross Blue Shield Montana (BCBSMT)

00:40:12 Bruce Spencer, America's Health Insurance Plans

00:41:27 Cori Cook, Employee Benefit Management Services (EBMS)

EXHIBIT(huh71a03)

00:45:07 Bruce Knudsen, Montana Auto Dealers Association (MTADA)

00:45:38 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)

00:47:04 Jill Steeley, Pure View Health Center

00:47:30 Greg Roadifer, Associated Employers

EXHIBIT(huh71a04)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:14 Rep. Kelker
00:48:48 Mike Foster, Montana Catholic Hospitals
00:50:21 Rep. Kelker
00:51:01 Mike Foster, Montana Catholic Hospitals
00:52:02 Rep. Pierson
00:52:15 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor
00:52:51 Rep. Karjala
00:53:34 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association
00:55:49 Rep. Karjala
00:56:38 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association
00:57:29 Rep. Dunwell
00:57:58 Jill Steeley, Pure View Health Center
00:59:11 Rep. Kelker
00:59:40 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source
01:02:42 Rep. Karjala
01:03:05 Jessica Rhoades, Office of the Governor
01:04:57 Chair Wagoner
01:05:25 Sen. Buttrey
01:06:59 Chair Wagoner
01:07:08 Sen. Buttrey
01:10:49 Rep. Mandeville
01:10:56 Rep. Hill Smith joined the meeting
01:11:00 Rep. Regier left the meeting
01:11:15 Sen. Buttrey
01:12:26 Rep. Hill Smith
01:13:08 Sen. Buttrey
01:13:51 Rep. Hill Smith
01:14:07 Sen. Buttrey

Closing by Sponsor:

01:14:18 Sen. Buttrey

01:20:56 Recess

01:27:55 Reconvene

HEARING ON SB 353

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:28:11 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 353, Revise laws concerning ambulance services.

01:28:37 Rep. Lenz joined the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

01:31:52 Director Dan Villa, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
01:34:11 Marilyn Bartlett, Department of Administration (DOA)
01:38:13 Bob Olsen, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)
01:38:40 Mike Foster, St. Vincent Healthcare

Opponents' Testimony:

01:39:54 Michael Griffiths, Life Flight Network
01:40:39 Scott Boulanger, Montana Air Ambulance Coalition

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a08\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:44:59 Rep. Mandeville
01:45:21 Michael Griffiths, Life Flight Network

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a09\)](#)

01:45:46 Rep. Mandeville

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a10\)](#)

01:46:09 Sen. Buttrey
01:46:44 Rep. Usher
01:47:43 Chair Wagoner
01:48:03 Marilyn Bartlett, DOA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:48:19 Sen. Buttrey

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a11\)](#)

01:49:13 Recess
01:50:38 Reconvene

HEARING ON SB 375

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:50:55 Sen. Scott Sales (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 375, Generally revise marriage laws.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

01:53:02 Jeff Laszloffy, Montana Family Foundation
01:56:03 Matt Brower, Montana Catholic Conference
01:59:01 Nick Domitrovich, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
02:06:43 Jessie Luther, Montana Association of Clerks of District Court

[EXHIBIT\(huh71a12\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

02:10:30 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
02:10:45 Rep. Jacobson left the meeting

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:10:57 Rep. Hill Smith
02:11:48 Sen. Sales
02:11:56 Rep. Hill Smith
02:12:13 Sen. Sales
02:13:42 Rep. Karjala
02:13:54 Sen. Sales
02:16:02 Rep. Karjala
02:16:31 Matt Brower, Montana Catholic Conference
02:18:57 Rep. Karjala
02:19:25 Matt Brower, Montana Catholic Conference
02:20:30 Rep. Mandeville
02:21:03 Sen. Sales
02:22:44 Rep. Mandeville
02:23:17 Sen. Sales
02:24:06 Rep. Harris
02:25:10 Sen. Sales
02:27:16 Rep. Dunwell
02:27:39 Kelsen Young, MCADSV
02:29:53 Rep. Dunwell
02:29:59 Kelsen Young, MCADSV
02:30:37 Rep. Sales
02:30:55 Sen. Sales
02:31:42 Rep. Sales
02:31:56 Sen. Sales
02:33:34 Rep. Hill Smith
02:34:24 Nick Domitrovich, DPHHS
02:38:58 Rep. Harris
02:40:55 Nick Domitrovich, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

02:42:06 Sen. Sales

02:43:11 Recess
02:57:44 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 160

02:57:52 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 160 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

02:58:01 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

02:58:18 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Hill Smith, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kelker and Rep. Pierson voting no. Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Wagoner will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 166

02:59:53 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 166 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

03:00:00 Rep. Jacobson left the meeting

03:00:02 Sue O'Connell, LSD

03:00:20 Rep. Dunwell

03:00:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-2 by voice vote with Rep. Jacobson and Rep. Pierson voting no. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Kelker will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 193

03:02:36 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 193 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

03:02:43 Sue O'Connell, LSD

03:02:58 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-1 by voice vote with Rep. M. Regier voting no. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Usher will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 199

03:03:55 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 199 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

03:04:00 Sue O'Connell, LSD

03:04:17 **Vote:** Motion carried 14-1 by voice vote with Rep. M. Regier voting no. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Wagoner will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 321

03:05:20 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 321 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

03:05:25 Sue O'Connell, LSD

03:05:40 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Mandeville will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 340

03:06:32 **Motion:** Rep. Lenz moved that **SB 340 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

03:06:45 Sue O'Connell, LSD

03:06:56 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Hill Smith, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kelker and Rep. Pierson voting no. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy. Rep. Regier will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 104

03:08:29 **Motion:** Rep. Kelker moved to **RECONSIDER PREVIOUS ACTION** on **SB 104.**

Discussion:

03:09:00 Rep. Kelker

03:11:49 Rep. Mandeville

03:12:20 Rep. Hill Smith

03:12:58 Rep. Karjala

03:13:35 Rep. Welch

03:14:00 Chair Wagoner

03:14:42 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Hill Smith, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Karjala, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Pierson and Rep. W. Sales voting aye. Rep. Jacobson, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Ricci voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 03:16:20

Carolyn Tschida, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh71aad.pdf](#))