

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on January 18, 2019 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, 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 91, 1/10/2019; HB 92, 1/10/2019
Executive Action: HB 90, HB 67, HB 68

08:33:40 Vice Chair Ricci

HEARING ON HB 92

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:34:02 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 92, Generally revise insurance laws.

[EXHIBIT\(buh10a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(buh10a02\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

08:35:16 Kendall Cotton, State Auditor's Office (CSI)

08:37:47 John Iverson, Independent Insurance Agents of Montana

08:38:19 Nickolas Griffith, Pacific Source Health Plans

08:38:36 Greg VanHorsen, State Farm Insurance Company

Opponents' Testimony:

08:39:21 John Metropoulos, Farmer's Insurance Group

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:41:54 Rep. Loge

08:42:37 Kendall Cotton, CSI

[EXHIBIT\(buh10a03\)](#)

08:44:14 Rep. Krautter

08:44:51 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:45:22 Rep. Krautter

08:45:56 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:46:38 Rep. Krautter,

08:47:05 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:47:29 Rep. Krautter

08:47:39 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:48:10 Rep. Olsen

08:49:12 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:50:03 Rep. Olsen

08:50:20 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:50:46 Rep. Curdy

08:51:23 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:52:26 Rep. Curdy

08:52:41 Kendall Cotton, CSI

08:53:30 Rep. Sullivan

08:53:50 Vice Chair Ricci

Closing by Sponsor:

08:54:25 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70

08:54:58 Rep. Vinton assumed the Chair.

HEARING ON HB 91**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:56:03 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 91, Revise laws related to independent review organizations.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:57:41 Bob Biskupiak, State Auditor's Office (CSI)

09:01:09 John Iverson, Independent Insurance Agents of Montana (IIAMT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:02:00 Rep. Gunderson

09:02:20 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

09:03:11 Rep. Gunderson

09:03:20 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

09:03:55 Rep. Olsen

09:04:48 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

09:05:40 Rep. Olsen

09:06:18 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

09:06:49 David Dachs, State Auditor's Office (CSI)

Closing by Sponsor:

09:08:09 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55

09:08:50 Vice Chair Ricci resumed the Chair.

Committee Business

09:09:08 Vice Chair Ricci

09:09:45 Rep. Pierson

09:10:06 Vice Chair Ricci

09:10:30 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

09:12:18 Vice Chair Ricci

09:12:26 Rep. Olsen

09:13:24 Vice Chair Ricci

09:13:43 Rep. Olsen

09:15:16 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

09:16:48 Vice Chair Ricci

09:17:05 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

09:17:33 Vice Chair Ricci

09:17:45 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

09:17:48 Vice Chair Ricci

09:17:59 Recess

09:59:20 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 85

09:59:52 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 85 DO PASS.**

10:00:42 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 85 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(buh10a04)

Discussion:

10:01:23 Vice Chair Ricci

10:01:32 Rep. Curdy

10:01:42 Pat Murdo, LSD

10:02:18 Rep. Pierson

10:02:28 Vice Chair Ricci

10:02:39 Rep. Grubbs

10:02:47 Pat Murdo, LSD

10:07:16 Rep. Olsen

10:08:25 Pat Murdo, LSD

10:09:53 Vice Chair Ricci

10:10:09 Rep. Vinton

10:10:18 Joe Defilippis, Secretary of State's Office (SOS)

10:11:24 Rep. Vinton

10:11:48 Joe Defilippis, SOS

10:12:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

10:12:30 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 85 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(buh10a05)

Discussion:

10:14:36 Pat Murdo, LSD

10:17:10 Vice Chair Ricci

10:17:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

10:19:31 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 85 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:19:41 Rep. Curdy

10:20:21 Pat Murdo, LSD

10:21:19 Rep. Curdy

10:21:41 Rep. Grubbs

10:21:54 Joe Defilippis, SOS

- 10:23:26 Rep. Curdy
10:23:32 Joe Defilippis, SOS
10:23:48 Rep. Olsen
10:24:12 Joe Defilippis, SOS
10:25:00 Vice Chair Ricci
10:25:35 Pat Murdo, LSD
- 10:26:12 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Vinton made a substitute motion that **HB 85 BE POSTPONED.**
- 10:26:28 **Vote:** Motion carried 15-0 by voice vote. No proxies given.
- 10:27:18 Rep. Curdy left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 90

- 10:27:25 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 90 DO PASS.**
- 10:27:51 **Motion:** Rep. Gunderson moved that **HB 90 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(buh10a06\)](#)

Discussion:

- 10:28:16 Pat Murdo, LSD
10:32:04 Rep. Sullivan
10:32:46 Rep. Gunderson
- 10:33:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.
- 10:35:52 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 90 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

- 10:36:01 Rep. Gunderson
10:37:21 Rep. Olsen
- 10:38:53 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 67

- 10:40:57 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 67 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

- 10:41:21 Rep. Vinton
10:41:47 Rep. Loge

10:42:08 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

10:42:34 Vice Chair Ricci

10:42:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 68

10:43:58 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 68 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:44:26 Rep. Harvey

10:44:40 Vice Chair Ricci

10:45:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Noland and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

10:44:34 Vice Chair Ricci

10:45:53 Rep. Grubbs

10:45:58 Vice Chair Ricci

10:46:10 Pat Murdo, LSD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:46:51

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh10aad.pdf](#))