

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Forrest Mandeville, on January 24, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)  
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)  
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)  
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)  
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)  
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)  
Rep. Frank Garner (R)  
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)  
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)  
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. Walt Sales (R)  
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)  
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)  
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)  
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)  
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary  
Sheri Scurr, 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 164, 1/14/2019; HB 204, 1/15/2019

09:00:18 Chair Mandeville

### **HEARING ON HB 164**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:02:08 Rep. Barry Usher (R), HD 40, opened the hearing on HB 164, Establish qualifications for the office of sheriff.

[EXHIBIT\(sth14a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth14a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth14a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth14a04\)](#)

09:09:46 Rep. Runningwolf and Rep. Weatherwax arrived.

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

09:13:39 Mike Linder, Sheriff, Yellowstone County, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

09:15:04 Allen Fulton, Rosebud County Sheriff, MSPOA

09:17:18 Jesse Slaughter, Cascade County Sheriff, MSPOA

09:18:53 Captain Scott Van Dyken, Cascade County Deputy Sheriff, MSPOA

09:20:47 Leo Dutton, Sheriff, Lewis and Clark County, MSPOA

09:24:18 Tom Butler, Chief, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP)

09:24:43 Jerry Williams, Montana Police Protective Association (MPPA)

09:26:11 Diane Fladmo, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

09:26:28 Jesse Luther, Association of Montana Troopers (AMT)

09:26:57 Perry Johnson, Public Safety Officers Standards and Training (POST)

09:29:27 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

#### **Informational Testimony:**

09:30:35 Megan Martin, Compliance Auditor, Criminal Justice Information Network, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:31:11 Rep. Karjala

09:33:00 Rep. Usher

09:33:37 Rep. Karjala

09:35:33 Megan Martin, DOJ

09:36:33 Rep. Karjala

09:37:14 Rep. Hayman

09:37:58 Perry Johnson, POST

09:38:46 Rep. Hayman

09:49:02 Rep. Usher

09:40:48 Rep. Garner

09:41:13 Megan Martin, DOJ

09:42:33 Rep. Garner

09:43:04 Perry Johnson, POST

09:44:33 Rep. Custer

09:46:08 Rep. Usher  
 09:46:27 Rep. Custer  
 09:46:39 Chair Mandeville  
 09:46:53 Dave Galt, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)  
 09:48:29 Vice Chair McKamey  
 09:49:10 Perry Johnson, POST  
 09:49:29 Vice Chair McKamey  
 09:50:45 Dave Galt, MSPOA  
 09:50:54 Vice Chair McKamey  
 09:51:41 Megan Martin, DOJ  
 09:52:17 Rep. Sweeney  
 09:52:50 Leo Dutton, Lewis and Clark County Sheriiff  
 09:53:16 Rep. Garner  
 09:54:20 Dave Galt, MSPOA  
 09:54:48 Chair Mandeville  
 09:55:01 Rep. Usher

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:55:18 Rep. Usher

09:58:02 Brief Recess

10:04:15 Reconvened.

**HEARING ON HB 204****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

10:04:46 Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 204, Generally revise teachers' retirement system laws.

**EXHIBIT(sth14a05)****Proponents' Testimony:**

10:11:38 Shawn Graham, Teachers Retirement System (TRS)

10:27:07 Denise Pizzini, TRS

10:27:34 Diane Fladmo, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

10:29:07 Rep. Custer

10:29:54 Shawn Graham, TRS

10:31:00 Rep. Custer

10:31:04 Rep. Dooling

10:31:44 Shawn Graham, TRS

10:32:00 Rep. Dooling

10:32:39 Shawn Graham, TRS

10:34:33 Vice Chair McKamey

10:35:08 Shawn Graham, TRS

10:35:40 Rep. Karjala

10:38:20 Shawn Graham, TRS

10:39:13 Rep. Karjala

**Closing by Sponsor:**

10:39:28 Rep. Ryan

10:39:56 Chair Mandeville

10:40:23 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division

10:42:55 Chair Mandeville

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:44:28

---

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

ka

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([sth14aad.pdf](#))