

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPS SUBCOM ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

**Call to Order:** Chair Matt Regier, on January 31, 2019 at 8:00 AM, in Room 317A  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Matt Regier, Chair (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Sen. Nate McConnell (D)  
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. David Howard, Vice Chair (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Robyn Brown, Committee Secretary  
Kris Wilkinson, 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:** Judicial Branch Budget Hearing

**Committee Business:**

08:03:43 Chair Regier

**Judicial Branch Budget Hearing**

08:05:05 Chief Justice Mike McGrath, Montana Supreme Court

08:24:18 Chair Regier

**Supreme Court Operations:**

08:24:43 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

08:33:33 Vice Chair Howard joined the meeting.

09:23:10 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

09:32:56 Chair Regier

**Public Comment:**

09:33:11 Leo Gallagher, Lewis & Clark County Attorney's Office

**Questions from Committee:**

09:39:37 Rep. Glimm

09:39:49 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

09:40:38 Rep. Glimm

09:40:46 Kris Wilkinson, LFD

09:40:57 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

09:42:06 Rep. Glimm

09:42:42 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

09:43:59 Sen. Osmundson

09:44:59 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

09:45:36 Sen. McConnell

09:46:10 Chief Justice McGrath

09:53:10 Sen. McConnell

09:53:20 Chief Justice McGrath

09:53:48 Sen. McConnell

09:54:13 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

09:56:32 Sen. McConnell

09:57:08 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

09:59:35 Sen. McConnell

10:00:00 Leo Gallagher, Lewis & Clark County Attorney's Office

10:02:55 Rep. Lynch

10:03:32 Leo Gallagher, Lewis & Clark County Attorney's Office

10:04:27 Rep. Dudik

10:05:01 Rep. Lynch

10:05:46 Leo Gallagher, Lewis & Clark County Attorney's Office

10:06:06 Rep. Lynch

10:06:20 Leo Gallagher, Lewis & Clark County Attorney's Office

10:07:10 Rep. Lynch

10:07:59 Chief Justice McGrath

10:09:00 Chair Regier

10:09:21 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court

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10:13:31 Sen. McConnell  
10:14:21 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court  
10:17:28 Chief Justice McGrath

10:19:51 The Committee recessed.  
10:38:20 The Committee reconvened.

**Clerk of Court:**

10:38:56 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court  
10:39:56 Bowen Greenwood, Clerk of Montana Supreme Court  
10:42:18 Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**Law Library:**

10:43:41 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court  
10:50:00 Sarah McClain, State Law Library  
11:03:15 Marci Lewandowski, LFD  
11:05:42 Chair Regier

**Pubic Comment:**

None.

**Questions from Committee:**

11:06:05 Rep. Dudik  
11:06:31 Beth McLaughlin, Montana Supreme Court  
11:08:40 Chair Regier  
11:08:51 Kris Wilkinson, LFD  
11:10:58 Rep. Dudik

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:12:00

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Robyn Brown, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([jch19aad.pdf](#))