

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on February 6, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)
Rep. David Dunn (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lydia Balian, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, 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 290, 1/25/2019; HB 231, 1/18/2019

15:00:59 Chair Lenz

HEARING ON HB 290

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:01:31 Rep. Peggy Webb (R), HD 43, opened the hearing on HB 290, Require child support cooperation for food stamp eligibility.

15:03:28 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway entered the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:04:02 Tom Newell, Opportunity Solutions Project (OSP)

[EXHIBIT\(huh24a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh24a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

15:09:00 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

15:12:19 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)

15:16:09 Sarah Howell, Montana Women Vote (MWV)

15:17:57 Erin McGowan, Association of Montana Public Health Officials (AMPHO), Montana Public Health Association (MPHA)

15:19:31 Laura Smith, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

[EXHIBIT\(huh24a03\)](#)

15:24:49 Shawn Reagor, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)

15:25:14 Laurel Hesse, Planned Parenthood

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:26:01 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway

15:27:43 Laura Smith, DPHHS

15:27:44 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway

15:28:03 Laura Smith, DPHHS

15:28:11 Rep. Abbott

15:28:24 Laura Smith, DPHHS

15:28:45 Chad Dexter, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

15:31:54 Rep. Abbott

15:32:26 Laura Smith, DPHHS

15:32:53 Jamie Palagi, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

15:33:10 Rep. Kelker entered the meeting.

15:34:02 Vice Chair Karjala

15:35:19 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS

15:36:10 Vice Chair Karjala

15:36:46 Tom Newell, OSP

15:37:15 Vice Chair Karjala

15:37:22 Tom Newell, OSP
15:37:35 Rep. Mandeville
15:38:26 Tom Newell, OSP
15:39:16 Rep. Mandeville
15:39:27 Tom Newell, OSP
15:40:34 Vice Chair Buttrey
15:41:14 Laura Smith, DPHHS
15:41:56 Vice Chair Buttrey
15:42:13 Laura Smith, DPHHS
15:42:39 Rep. Usher
15:43:10 Laura Smith, DPHHS
15:45:02 Rep. Usher
15:45:21 Laura Smith, DPHHS
15:46:22 Rep. Usher
15:46:36 Laura Smith, DPHHS
15:47:12 Rep. Winter
15:47:38 Laura Smith, DPHHS

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15:47:45 Rep. Pierson
15:48:11 Chad Dexter, DPHHS
15:49:55 Rep. Pierson
15:50:03 Chad Dexter, DPHHS
15:50:34 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
15:51:07 Chad Dexter, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

15:53:08 Rep. Webb

15:57:00 Rep. Abbott left the meeting.

15:57:07 Recessed
15:59:10 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 231

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:59:29 Rep. Casey Knudsen (R), HD 33, opened the hearing on HB 231, Revising pharmacy laws regarding vaccines.

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Proponents' Testimony:

16:03:25 Sarah Swanson, self
16:08:46 Tony King, self
16:15:13 Rory Johnson, self
16:18:34 Kirk Katseanes, self
16:20:42 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source Health Plans
16:21:51 John Doran, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT)
16:22:19 Emma Murter, self

16:24:36 Guy Seavey, self
 16:26:15 EJ Redding, Independent Pharmacy Cooperative (IPC)
 16:26:36 Rebecca Meyers, Montana Bioscience Alliance
 16:26:56 Brad Griffin, Montana Retail Association

Opponents' Testimony:

16:27:34 Jonathan Griffin, President, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
 16:30:27 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 16:34:40 Heather O'Hara, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)
 16:36:06 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
 16:42:18 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic, Missoula Community Medical Center

Informational Testimony:

16:45:54 Jim Murphy, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:46:24 Rep. Winter
 16:46:48 Jim Murphy, DPHHS
 16:48:27 Rep. Winter
 16:49:58 Jim Murphy, DPHHS
 16:50:32 Rep. Dunwell
 16:51:19 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
 16:52:32 Rep. Dunwell
 16:53:08 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
 16:53:56 Rep. Dunwell
 16:54:58 Jim Murphy, DPHHS
 16:55:55 Vice Chair Karjala
 16:56:56 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 16:57:10 Vice Chair Karjala
 16:57:27 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 16:57:56 Vice Chair Karjala
 16:58:20 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 16:59:33 Vice Chair Karjala
 16:59:58 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 17:00:27 Rep. Kelker
 17:01:03 John Doran, BCBSMT
 17:01:30 Rep. Kelker
 17:02:01 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source Health Plans
 17:03:13 Rep. Kelker
 17:03:16 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source Health Plans
 17:03:49 Rep. Kelker
 17:04:13 Eric Merchant, Lewis and Clark Public Health
 17:05:13 Rep. Kelker
 17:05:30 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
 17:06:38 Vice Chair Buttrey
 17:07:16 Tony King, self
 17:08:06 Vice Chair Buttrey
 17:08:28 Tony King, self
 17:09:04 Rep. Pierson
 17:09:38 Rory Johnson, self

17:10:36 Rep. Pierson
17:10:53 Tony King, self
17:11:04 Rep. Pierson
17:11:11 Tony King, self
17:11:28 Rep. Usher
17:12:05 Jim Murphy, DPHHS
17:12:49 Rep. Usher
17:14:00 Jean Branscum, MMA
17:14:49 Rep. Usher
17:15:32 Rep. Knudsen
17:16:28 Rep. Usher
17:16:51 Rep. Dunwell

17:17:01 Rep. Pierson left the meeting.

17:17:33 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
17:18:25 Rep. Dunwell
17:18:47 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
17:18:56 Rep. Sales
17:19:46 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
17:20:35 Rep. Sales
17:20:53 Jonathan Griffin, MMA
17:21:25 Jim Murphy, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

17:21:55 Rep. Knudsen

17:25:04 Chair Lenz
17:27:14 Rep. Usher
17:27:45 Chair Lenz
17:28:10 Vice Chair Karjala
17:29:12 Chair Lenz
17:29:40 Vice Chair Karjala
17:29:58 Rep. Usher
17:30:12 Vice Chair Karjala

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:30:18

Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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