

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Alan Doane, on February 11, 2019 at 10:00 AM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Alan Doane, Chair (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Barry Usher, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee (R)
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Greg DeVries (R)
Rep. David Dunn (R)
Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D)
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)
Rep. Jasmine Krotkov (D)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Theresa Manzella (R)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Zac Perry (D)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bob Brown (R)
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Abigail Konen, Committee Clerk
Rachel Weiss, 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 297, 2/5/2019; HB 366, 2/5/2019; HB 421, 2/7/2019

10:01:51 Chair Doane
10:02:16 Rep. Morigeau entered the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 297

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:02:44 Rep. Frank Fleming (R), HD 51, opened the hearing on HB 297, Repeal old laws related to certain allowances for national guard members.

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Proponents' Testimony:

10:03:45 Matt Quinn, Major General, Adjutant General, Montana National Guard, Director, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)
10:04:09 Rep. B. Brown entered the meeting.

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

10:05:17 Rep. Fleming

HEARING ON HB 366

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:05:51 Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 366, Increase funeral benefit in crime victims compensation act.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:06:50 Joan Eliel, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)
10:11:49 Susan Fenner, Self
10:13:41 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
10:14:00 Jim Brown, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:15:03 Rep. C. Knudsen
10:15:27 Joan Eliel, DOJ

10:15:48 Rep. T. Moore
10:16:04 Joan Eliel, DOJ
10:16:11 Rep. Skees
10:16:24 Joan Eliel, DOJ
10:16:47 Holley Johnson, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)
10:16:50 Rep. Skees
10:16:59 Holley Johnson, DOJ
10:17:31 Rep. Skees
10:17:41 Holley Johnson, DOJ
10:18:18 Rep. Skees
10:18:29 Rep. Manzella
10:18:43 Holley Johnson, DOJ
10:19:15 Rep. Manzella

Closing by Sponsor:

10:19:34 Rep. Farris-Olsen

10:20:20 Chair Doane

HEARING ON HB 421**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

10:21:08 Rep. Julie Dooling (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 421, Generally revise criminal code.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:22:07 Brad Griffin, Montana Retail Association (MRA)
10:28:32 Wynn Meehan, Sheriff, Broadwater County Sheriff's Office, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)
10:34:37 Mark Murphy, Montana Association of Chiefs of Police (MACOP), Montana Police Protective Association (MPPA)
10:38:25 Ole Olson, Attorney General's Office (AGO), Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)

Opponents' Testimony:

10:38:57 SK Rossi, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana (ACLU)

Informational Testimony:

10:41:54 Greg Mohr, Montana Magistrates Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:42:09 Vice Chair Kelker
10:43:31 Brad Griffin, MRA
10:45:12 Rep. C. Knudsen
10:45:50 Greg Mohr, Montana Magistrates Association
10:46:24 Rep. T. Moore
10:47:14 Sheriff Meehan, Broadwater County Sheriff's Office, MSPOA
10:49:26 Vice Chair Usher
10:49:47 Sheriff Meehan, Broadwater County Sheriff's Office, MSPOA
10:49:54 Rep. C. Knudsen

10:50:31 Sheriff Meehan, Broadwater County Sheriff's Office, MSPOA
10:51:11 Rep. Lenz
10:51:51 Sheriff Meehan, Broadwater County Sheriff's Office, MSPOA
10:52:57 Rep. Lenz

Closing by Sponsor:

10:53:40 Rep. Dooling

10:54:33 Chair Doane

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:55:39

Abigail Konen, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

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