

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Carl Glimm, on February 12, 2019 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Carl Glimm, Chair (R)
Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Dan Bartel, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. David Bedey (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Jessica Riffel, Committee Clerk
Joe Triem, 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 27, 2/7/2019; HB 422, 2/7/2019

HEARING ON HB 422**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:07:17 Rep. Edward Buttrey (R), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 422, Increase amount available for Montana veteran home loan program.

15:08:20 Rep. Jones left the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:10:54 Roger Hagan, Montana Officer and Enlisted Association

[EXHIBIT\(aph29a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph29a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph29a03\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:16:11 Bruce Brensdal, Montana Board of Housing (MBOH)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:16:54 Rep. E. Moore

15:17:55 Bruce Brensdal, MBOH

15:18:08 Rep. E. Moore

15:18:16 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Closing by Sponsor:

15:19:05 Rep. Buttrey

HEARING ON HB 27**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:20:06 Rep. Moffie Funk (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HB 27, Generally revise special education funding.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:21:42 Jan Cahill, Great Falls Public Schools (GFPS), North Central Learning Resource Center (NCLRC), Montana School Boards Association (MSBA), Vaughn Schools

15:27:48 Sarah Novak, Montana Council for Administrators for Special Education (MCASE)

15:30:53 Michelle Halberg, Gallatin-Madison Special Education Cooperative, Montana Council for Administrators for Special Education (MCASE)

15:37:25 Rep. Casey Schreiner, HD 26

15:38:26 Tim Miller, Bitterroot Valley Education Cooperative, Montana Council for Administrators for Special Education (MCASE)

15:46:03 Kirk Miller, School Administrator of Montana (SAM), Montana Public Education Center (MT-PEC)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:52:15 Paul Taylor, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:52:42 Rep. E. Moore
15:54:31 Paul Taylor, OPI
15:54:42 Rep. Windy Boy
15:55:25 Rep. Funk
15:56:16 Rep. Windy Boy
15:56:46 Rep. Burnett
15:58:28 Paul Taylor, OPI
15:58:53 Rep. E. Moore
15:59:15 Paul Taylor, OPI
15:59:22 Rep. Bedey
16:03:14 Paul Taylor, OPI
16:03:48 Chair Glimm
16:05:53 Paul Taylor, OPI
16:06:03 Chair Ballance
16:06:43 Vice Chair Lynch
16:06:57 Kirk Miller, SAM, MT-PEC
16:08:34 Rep. Bedey

Closing by Sponsor:

16:08:55 Rep. Funk

16:10:41 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved **TO REQUEST A COMMITTEE BILL FOR AN ACT REVISING THE CALCULATION OF SALARIES FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONERS; AMENDING ASSOCIATED SECTIONS OF STATUTE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

[EXHIBIT\(aph29a04\)](#)

Discussion:

16:12:04 Rep. Regier
16:13:54 Rep. Woods
16:14:05 Rep. Mercer
16:14:20 Rep. Hopkins

16:14:28 **Vote:** Motion carried 20-1 by voice vote with Rep. Mercer voting no. Rep. Jones voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:15:27

Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph29aad.pdf](#))