

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Llew Jones, on February 13, 2019 at 8:45 AM, in Room 472 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Llew Jones, Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. David Bedey (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Branch

Nick VanBrown, Legislative Branch
Alice Hecht, Legislative Branch
Nancy Hall, Office of Budget Program & Planning
Jason Harlow, Office of Budget Program & Planning
Kathlyn Royal, Committee Clerk

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Committee Business Summary: Work Session

Executive Action: Decision Packages pertaining to Commissioner of Higher Education & other actions pertaining to Section E of HB 2.

08:46:22 Chair Jones

EXECUTIVE ACTION

08:49:46 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a01\)](#)

Discussion:

08:50:06 Chair Jones

08:50:31 Sen. Salomon amended his motion to include **DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 101 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS, DP 55 SWPL FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT.**

08:50:52 Chair Jones

08:51:28 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:51:44 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 201 WICHE/WWAMI/MN DENTAL, DP 202 WWAMI FUNDING SWITCH, DP 203 INCREASE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS AUTHORITY, DP 204 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MATCH BE ADOPTED.**

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a02\)](#)

08:53:11 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY PROGRAM: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 301 REMOVE FEDERAL AUTHORITY FOR GRANT ENDING BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a03\)](#)

08:53:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSISTANCE; DP 401 COMMUNITY COLLEGE PLA, DP 402 COMMUNITY COLLEGE LAD AUDIT COSTS, DP 403 REMOVE 2019 BIENNIUM LAD AUDIT COSTS BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a04\)](#)

08:54:30 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH & DIVERSITY: DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 601 GEAR UP FEDERAL AUTHORITY INCREASE BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a05\)](#)

08:55:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 801 PERKINS FEDERAL AUTHORITY INCREASE BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a06\)](#)

08:55:53 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION APPROPRIATION DISTRIBUTION: DP 901 MUS LAD AUDIT COSTS, DP 902 MUS FIXED COST INCREASES FROM STATE, DP 903 EDUCATIONAL UNITS PLA, DP 905 6 MILL LEVY PLA BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a07\)](#)

08:56:36 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AGENCY FUNDS: DP 1001 RESTORE GENERAL FUND TO FSTS, DP 1002 SWPL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES, DP 1003 PL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES, DP 1004 MAES SEED LAB (RST/OTO), DP 1005 MAES WOOL LAB (RST/OTO), DP 1006 MBMG DATA PRESERVATION (RST/OTO) BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a08\)](#)

Discussion:

08:57:33 Rep. Woods

08:58:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:58:28 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION TRIBAL COLLEGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: DP 1101 HISET TO TRIBAL COLLEGES BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a09\)](#)

08:59:07 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION GUARANTEED STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM: DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 1201 REDUCE FEDERAL AUTHORITY FOR GSL BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a10\)](#)

08:59:52 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION BOARD OF REGENTS: DP 1301 REINSTATE PERSONAL SERVICES BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a11\)](#)

09:00:22 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 926 SB 9 RESTORATION FUNDS, DP 620 MONTANA DIGITAL ACADEMY - RST/OTO, DP 604 FEDERAL GRANT AWARD ADJUSTMENT - PGM 06, DP 692 NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION STIPENDS RST BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a12\)](#)

Discussion:

09:01:32 Rep. Woods
09:01:46 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
09:02:00 Chair Jones
09:02:09 Nancy Hall, Office of Budget Program & Planning (OBPP)
09:02:22 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:02:29 Nick VanBrown, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
09:03:03 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:03:13 Chair Jones
09:03:18 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:03:38 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:03:47 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:04:05 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:04:26 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:04:51 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:05:01 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:05:17 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:05:25 Chair Jones

09:05:35 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:05:45 Chair Jones

09:07:22 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION LOCATION EDUCATION ACTIVITIES: DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 926 SB 9 RESTORATION FUNDS, DP 692 NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION STIPENDS RST, DP 902 K-12 BASE AID INFLATION, DP 908 RESTORE TRASPORATION PAYMENT, DP 909 FEDERAL GRANT AWARD ADJUSTMENTS - PGM 09, DP 910 RESTORE DATA FOR ACHIEVEMENT, DP 920 AT RISK INFLATION, DP 922 NRD MAJOR MAINTENANCE AID, DP 923 DEBT SERVICE ASSISTANCE, DP 960 GUARANTEE ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENT, DP 901 REINSTATE SB 261 CUTS, DP 900 SCHOOL SAFETY BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a13\)](#)

Discussion:

09:08:31 Chair Jones
09:08:37 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:09:20 Chair Jones
09:09:30 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:09:56 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:10:13 Chair Jones
09:10:22 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:10:58 Chair Jones
09:11:07 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:11:24 Chair Jones
09:11:34 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:12:04 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:12:44 Chair Jones
09:13:20 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:13:27 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:14:20 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:14:42 Chair Jones
09:15:41 Without objection, Sen. Salomon withdrew the BE ADOPTED motion.
09:15:52 Chair Jones

09:16:35 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DELATION BE ADOPTED.**
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a14\)](#)

09:17:18 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE MONTANA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF & BLIND: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 55 SWPL FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT, DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 5 STUDENT TRAVEL RST/OTO, DP 4 EXTRA-CURRICULAR STIPENDS RST/OTO BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a15\)](#)

Discussion:

09:17:54 Rep. Hamlett

09:18:25 Chair Jones
09:18:44 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:18:58 Chair Jones

09:19:20 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:19:38 Rep. Hamlett
09:19:50 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:20:12 Chair Jones
09:20:20 Rep. Woods
09:20:27 Chair Jones
09:21:32 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:23:24 Chair Jones
09:23:28 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:24:18 Chair Jones
09:24:30 Rep. Hamlett
09:24:37 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:25:40 Rep. Hamlett
09:26:12 Chair Jones
09:27:14 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:27:58 Rep. Woods
09:28:16 Chair Jones
09:28:39 Rep. Hamlett
09:28:50 Chair Jones
09:29:13 Rep. Hamlett
09:29:44 Chair Jones
09:29:56 Rep. Hamlett
09:30:16 Chair Jones

09:31:04 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 55 SWPL FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a16\)](#)

Discussion:

09:31:35 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:31:55 Shauna Albrecht, LFD

09:32:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:32:42 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY: DP 1 PERSONAL SERVICES, DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 55 SWPL FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT, DP 5 COAL SEVERANCE TAX ALLOTMENT, DP 7 MLIAC & LSTA GRANT AUTHORITY ADJUSTMENT, DP 9 FTE REDUCTIONS BE ADOPTED.**

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a17\)](#)

Discussion:

09:33:24 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:33:36 Rep. Woods
09:33:51 Chair Jones

09:34:10 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:34:18 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY: DP 2 FIXED COSTS, DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 4 POSITION REDUCTIONS, DP 50 PERSONAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT, DP 55 SWPL FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT, DP 10 ACCOMMODATIONS TAX AUTHORITY, DP 11 FIXED COSTS FUND ADJUSTMENT BE ADOPTED.**

EXHIBIT(jeh30a18)

Discussion:

09:34:56 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:35:19 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:35:44 Chair Jones
09:35:49 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:36:02 Chair Jones
09:36:06 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:36:14 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:36:20 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:36:24 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:36:47 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:37:20 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:37:56 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:38:10 Shauna Albrecht, LFD
09:38:20 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:38:55 Chair Jones

09:39:03 **Motion:** Rep. Woods moved to **CONCEPTUALLY AMEND DP 4 TO CONVERT THAT FROM A REDUCTION OF 4.01 FTE TO 2.01 FTE.**

Discussion:

09:39:15 Chair Jones
09:40:15 Rep. Woods
09:40:20 Chair Jones

09:40:33 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Hamlett, Sen. Webber and Rep. Woods voting aye.

09:41:16 Nancy Hall, OBPP

09:41:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-1 by voice vote with Rep. Woods voting no.

09:42:14 Rep. Hamlett
09:43:03 Chair Jones
09:43:17 Nick VanBrown, LFD

09:45:18 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:45:32 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:45:51 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:46:51 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:46:56 Chair Jones

09:47:20 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION LOCATION EDUCATION ACTIVITIES: DP 3 INFLATION DEFLATION, DP 926 SB 9 RESTORATION FUNDS, DP 692 NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION STIPENDS RST, DP 902 K-12 BASE AID INFLATION, DP 908 RESTORE TRASPORATION PAYMENT, DP 909 FEDERAL GRANT AWARD ADJUSTMENTS - PGM 09, DP 910 RESTORE DATA FOR ACHIEVEMENT, DP 920 AT RISK INFLATION, DP 922 NRD MAJOR MAINTENANCE AID, DP 923 DEBT SERVICE ASSISTANCE, DP 960 GUARANTEE ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENT, DP 901 REINSTATE SB 261 CUTS, DP 900 SCHOOL SAFETY BE ADOPTED.**

(see Exhibit 13)

Discussion:

09:48:30 Chair Jones
09:48:50 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:49:19 Chair Jones
09:49:22 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:50:15 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:50:53 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:51:10 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
09:51:44 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:51:52 Ken Bailey, OPI

09:52:25 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:52:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE COST OF EDUCATION FACTOR FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO BE \$3,196 THUS CHANGING HB 2 LANGUAGE TO REFLECT THIS COST OF EDUCATION FACTOR BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:53:18 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 999 ALLOCATING THE BASE BUDGET AND CHANGE PACKAGES TO THE FOLLOWING LINE ITEM CATEGORIES FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION PROGRAM 6 AND PROGRAM 9 AS LISTED BELOW BE ADOPTED.**

EXHIBIT(jeh30a19)

Discussion:

09:54:52 Chair Jones
09:55:00 Rep. Woods

09:55:20 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:55:32 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 600 LINE ITEM DIGITAL ACADEMY ALLOCATION THE BASE BUDGET FOR THE DIGITAL ACADEMY INTO A LINE ITEM IN PROGRAM 6, IN ADDITION, REMOVE THE OTO RESTRICTION BE ADOPTED.**

(see Exhibit 19)

Discussion:

09:55:53 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:56:18 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:56:29 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:56:42 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:56:51 Chair Jones
09:57:01 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:57:30 Chair Jones
09:57:34 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:57:44 Chair Jones

09:57:56 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:58:03 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **TO ADOPT DP 621 AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES ADJUSTMENT. THIS INCLUDES THE BASE AS WELL AS \$138,000 PER YEAR FORM FUNDS RESTORED IN SB 9 (NOVEMBER 2017 SPECIAL SESSION). INCLUDE THIS PROGRAM IN THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES APPROPRIATION. THIS WILL NOT REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION.**

(see Exhibit 19)

Discussion:

09:58:36 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:58:50 Chair Jones
09:59:10 Nick VanBrown, LFD
09:59:38 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:59:58 Nick VanBrown, LFD
10:00:44 Nancy Hall, OBPP
10:01:42 Chair Jones
10:01:51 Nick VanBrown, LFD
10:02:03 Nancy Hall, OBPP
10:02:10 Chair Jones

10:02:25 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:02:42 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved to **ADOPT DP 601 LINE ITEM AUDIOLOGY ALLOCATING THE BASE BUDGET FOR THE AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES INTO A LINE ITEM IN PROGRAM 6. IN ADDITION, REMOVE THE OTO DESIGNATION.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

(see Exhibit 19)

10:03:28 Chair Jones
10:04:23 Nancy Hall, OBPP
10:04:35 Chair Jones

10:04:52 Recessed
10:21:55 Reconvened

10:22:28 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved to **ADOPT THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO BE INCLUDED IN HB 2 FOR OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a20\)](#)

10:23:56 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved to **ADOPT THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO BE INCLUDED IN HB 2 FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a21\)](#)

10:30:38 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Salomon moved to **ADOPT THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO BE INCLUDED IN HB D2 FOR THE MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL: "ALL HB2 FEDERAL FINDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARTS COUNCIL ARE BIENNIAL APPROPRIATIONS."** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[EXHIBIT\(jeh30a22\)](#)

10:31:13 Chair Jones
10:31:17 Nancy Hall, OBPP
10:31:32 Chair Jones
10:32:28 Nancy Hall, OBPP
10:33:09 Shauna Albrecht, LFD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:33:35

Kathlyn Royal, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jeh30aad.pdf](#))