

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on February 13, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Rodney Garcia (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, 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 339, 2/1/2019; HB 374, 2/13/2019

09:01:45 Chair Mandeville

HEARING ON HB 374

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:04:10 Rep. Sharon Greef (R), HD 88, opened the hearing on HB 374, Generally revise polling place hours laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:05:36 Bret Rutherford, Election Administrator, Yellowstone County

09:06:51 Stephanie Verhasselt, Richland County Clerk and Recorder

09:07:33 Rep. Shaw arrived.

09:07:44 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties (MACo), Montana Association of Clerks and Recorders (MACR)

Opponents' Testimony:

09:09:09 Adam Haight, Montana American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)

09:09:56 Lauren Caldwell, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

09:12:15 Cinda Burd, Western Native Voice

09:13:16 Michael Toppen, Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPIRG)

09:14:01 Makenna Sellers, Northern Plains Resource Council (NPRC), American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

09:14:56 Susan Fenner, Montana Native Vote

09:17:09 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish-Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)

09:17:44 Jake Brown, Montana Conservation Voters (MCV)

Informational Testimony:

09:18:00 Dana Corson, Montana Secretary of State's Office (SOS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:18:20 Rep. Winter

09:19:15 Cinda Burd, Western Native Voice

09:19:49 Rep. Sales

09:20:35 Bret Rutherford, Yellowstone County

09:21:08 Rep. Custer

09:21:29 Bret Rutherford, Yellowstone County

09:21:48 Rep. Webb

09:22:11 Bret Rutherford, Yellowstone County

09:22:44 Rep. Winter

09:23:55 Rep. Greef

09:24:17 Vice Chair Bachmeier

09:25:05 Jordan Thompson, CSKT

09:25:44 Vice Chair Bachmeier

09:25:55 Susan Fenner, Montana Native Vote

09:26:51 Vice Chair Bachmeier

09:27:30 Dana Corson, SOS

09:27:45 Vice Chair Bachmeier

09:27:57 Shantil Siaperas, MACo and MACR
09:28:18 Vice Chair Bachmeier
09:28:39 Chair Mandeville
09:28:53 Shantil Siaperas, MACo and MACR
09:29:24 Rep. Dooling
09:30:34 Bret Rutherford, Yellowstone County
09:31:02 Chair Mandeville
09:31:29 Adam Haight, AFL-CIO
09:32:09 Chair Mandeville
09:32:23 JordanThompson, CSKT
09:32:37 Rep. Custer
09:32:50 Rep. Karjala arrived.
09:33:18 Shantil Siaperas, MACo and MACR

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09:34:01 Rep. McKamey arrived.
09:34:35 Rep. Custer

Closing by Sponsor:

09:34:45 Rep. Greef

09:36:30 Chair Mandeville

HEARING ON HB 339

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:37:42 Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 339, Establish loan repayment program for child protection specialists.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:41:49 Tucker Finley, Self
09:43:40 Charles Asmus, Self
09:45:41 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
09:49:17 Eric Feaver, Montana Federation of Public Employees (MFPE)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

09:53:26 Laura Smith, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:54:14 Rep. Karjala
09:55:09 Laura Smith, DPHHS

Informational Testimony:

09:55:42 Marti Vining, Child and Family Services (CFS)

09:55:16 Chair Mandeville
09:55:56 Rep. Karjala
09:56:33 Director Marti Vining, CFS
09:59:04 Rep. Karjala
09:59:35 Rep. Bahr
10:00:12 Laura Smith, DPHHS
10:00:51 Rep. Garner
10:02:05 Rep. Moore
10:02:25 Rep. Sales
10:03:47 Rep. Custer
10:04:27 Rep. Moore
10:05:04 Vice Chair McKamey
10:05:33 Rep. Moore
10:05:44 Rep. Webb
10:06:36 Rep. Moore
10:07:21 Rep. Fleming
10:08:42 Rep. Moore
10:09:07 Rep. Karjala
10:10:04 Rep. Moore
10:10:38 Rep. Karjala
10:10:46 Chair Mandeville
10:11:23 Rep. Moore

Closing by Sponsor:

10:12:02 Rep. Moore

10:14:12 Chair Mandeville
10:15:17 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
10:15:51 Chair Mandeville

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:18:54

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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