

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 18, 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. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Jessica Riffel, Committee Clerk
Stephanie Morrison, 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, 2/11/2019; HB 428, 2/11/2019

HEARING ON HB 428**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

- 15:10:24 Rep. Shane Morigeau (D), HD 95, opened the hearing on HB 428, Expand access to board of investment loans to tribal governments.
- 15:11:23 Rep. Keane and Rep. Burnett joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

- 15:13:36 Jason Smith, Director, Office of Indian Affairs (OIA)
- 15:14:27 Carol Lankford, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribe (CSKT)
- 15:19:00 Sue Taylor, Native American Development Corporation (NADC)
- 15:20:12 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting.

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:**

- 15:20:34 Dan Villa, Montana Board of Investments (MBI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 15:20:59 Rep. E. Moore
- 15:22:02 Dan Villa, MBI
- 15:22:12 Rep. Windy Boy

Closing by Sponsor:

- 15:23:02 Rep. Morigeau

HEARING ON HB 290**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

- 15:24:15 Rep. Peggy Webb (R), HD 43, opened the hearing on HB 290, Require child support cooperation for food stamp eligibility.

Proponents' Testimony:

- 15:26:32 Glen Oppel, Opportunity Solutions Project (OSP)

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- 15:26:59 Vice Chair Jones left the meeting.

Opponents' Testimony:

- 15:31:24 Ryan Evans, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
- 15:32:31 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)
- 15:36:18 Ashley Hilliard, Self

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- 15:39:55 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
- 15:40:40 Ella Smith, Montana Women Vote (MWV)
- 15:41:52 Rep. Mercer joined the meeting.
- 15:41:57 David Andersen, Montana Association of Christians

15:42:55 Jamie Quinn, Flathead Food Bank
15:43:42 Bruce Day, Helena Food Share

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:44:43 Rep. Windy Boy
15:45:26 Ryan Evans, OBPP
15:46:16 Rep. Windy Boy
15:47:16 Glen Oppel, OSP
15:48:05 Rep. Windy Boy
15:49:13 Ashley Hilliard, Self
15:50:34 Rep. Dudik
15:53:58 Lorianne Burhop, MFBN
15:54:31 Rep. Peppers
15:55:34 Glen Oppel, OSP
15:55:42 Rep. Bedey
15:56:08 Glen Oppel, OSP
15:56:42 Rep. Caferro
15:59:23 Rep. P. Webb
15:59:44 Rep. Caferro
16:03:21 Glen Oppel, OSP
16:03:56 Rep. Dudik
16:05:48 Glen Oppel, OSP
16:06:48 Rep. Bedey
16:08:44 Ryan Evans, OBPP
16:09:02 Rep. Bedey
16:09:22 Rep. Mercer
16:10:33 Ryan Evans, OBPP
16:11:30 Rep. Hamlett left the meeting.
16:11:37 Rep. Caferro
16:12:14 Ryan Evans, OBPP

Closing by Sponsor:

16:12:46 Rep. P. Webb

16:14:02 Chair Ballance

16:14:57 Rep. Regier

16:15:21 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **THE COMMITTEE REQUEST A COMMITTEE BILL TO ADDRESS SHORTFALLS IN THE FUNDING OF THE MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL RETIREMENT TRUST.**

Discussion:

16:15:48 Rep. Regier
16:16:47 Rep. Burnett
16:17:01 Rep. Regier
16:17:10 Rep. E. Moore
16:17:24 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
16:17:35 Rep. E. Moore

16:17:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-3 by voice vote with Rep. Keane, Rep. Peppers and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Jones, Rep. Read and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

16:18:35 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **THE COMMITTEE REQUEST A COMMITTEE BILL TO REDUCE GENERAL FUND FOR STATUTORY APPROPRIATIONS TO THE HIGHWAY PATROL RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND INCREASE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE FROM THE HIGHWAY PATROL PAY AND RECRUITMENT ACCOUNT.**

Discussion:

16:18:58 Rep. Regier

16:19:05 Rep. Caferro left the meeting.

16:19:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 17-5 by voice vote with Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Keane, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Jones, Rep. Read and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

16:20:40 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **THE COMMITTEE REQUEST A COMMITTEE BILL TO MODIFY ENTITLEMENT SHARE PAYMENTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND CODIFY THE REQUIREMENT AND THE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL DIVISION REPORT ON THE GROWTH OF THE GENERAL FUND, ENTITLEMENT SHARE, AND THE COSTS OF THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER.**

Discussion:

16:21:02 Rep. Regier

16:22:11 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-3 by voice vote with Rep. Keane, Rep. Peppers and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Jones, Rep. Read and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

16:22:40 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:23:19

Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph34aad.pdf](#))