

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on February 22, 2019 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, 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::

Bills Heard: HB 523, 2/19/2019, HB 547, 2/19/2019, HB 559 2/20/2019

Executive Action: HB 358, HB 376, HB 416, HB 501

08:01:56 Vice Chair Ricci assumed gavel for the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 547

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:03:46 Rep. Laurie Bishop (D), HD 60, opened the hearing on HB 547, Revise laws related to employee disclosure of wage information.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:08:13 Emilie Ritter Saunders, Equal Pay Task Force

08:09:37 Allen Ekblad, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)

Opponents' Testimony:

08:12:06 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)

Informational Testimony:

08:15:00 Barb Wagner, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:16:24 Rep. Vinton

08:16:56 Rep. Bishop

08:17:21 Rep. Olsen

08:17:50 Rep. Bishop

08:19:02 Rep. Harvey

08:19:34 Cary Hegreberg, MCC

08:19:58 Rep. Pope

08:20:43 Barb Wagner, DLI

08:21:24 Rep. Funk

08:22:21 Cary Hegreberg, MCC

08:23:57 Rep. Funk

08:24:30 Cary Hegreberg, MCC

08:25:33 Chair Ricci

08:25:50 Rep. Bishop

08:26:12 Chair Ricci

08:26:22 Rep. Bishop

08:26:31 Chair Ricci

08:26:46 Barb Wagner, DLI

08:27:05 Chair Ricci

Closing by Sponsor

08:27:23 Rep. Laurie Bishop (D), HD 60

HEARING ON HB 523

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:31:01 Rep. Katie Sullivan (D), HD 89, opened the hearing on HB 523, Revise state trade and marketing promotion activities.

[EXHIBIT\(buh38a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

08:34:58 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Distillers Guild (MDG)
08:35:35 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)
08:37:15 Ronda Wiggers, Helena Chamber of Commerce

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

08:39:07 Angelyn DeYoung, Montana Department of Commerce (DOC)
08:39:16 Chair Ricci
08:39:25 Angelyn DeYoung, Montana Department of Commerce (DOC)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:39:44 Rep. Buttrey
08:40:13 Rep. Sullivan
08:40:52 Rep. Buttrey
08:41:49 Rep. Sullivan
08:42:48 Rep. Buttrey
08:43:09 Rep. Sullivan
08:43:14 Rep. Buttrey
08:43:36 Angelyn DeYoung, DOC
08:44:06 Rep. Curdy
08:45:08 Cary Hegreberg, MCC
08:45:47 Chair Ricci
08:46:01 Rep. Olsen
08:46:25 Angelyn DeYoung, DOC
08:49:20 Rep. Curdy
08:49:52 Chair Ricci
08:50:05 Rep. Fitzgerald
08:50:33 Angelyn DeYoung, DOC
08:50:40 Chair Ricci
08:50:47 Angelyn DeYoung, DOC

Closing by Sponsor:

08:50:56 Rep. Katie Sullivan (D), HD 89

08:51:17 Rep. Krautter left the meeting.
08:52:18 Rep. Buttrey
08:52:28 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

HEARING ON HB 559**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:53:12 Rep. Ross Fitzgerald (R), HD 17, opened the hearing on HB 559, Revise an option for professional land surveyor licensure.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:54:20 Jonathan Ries, Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors (MARLS)
08:58:01 Justin Stefanik, Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors (MARLS)
08:59:59 Ron Drake, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (PELS)

Opponents' Testimony:

09:03:11 Pat Murdo, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(buh38a02\)](#)**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:03:56 Rep. Funk
09:04:21 Ron Drake, PELS
09:04:46 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:05:26 Ron Drake, PELS
09:07:19 Rep. Olsen
09:08:01 Jonathan Ries, MARLS
09:08:07 Rep. Olsen
09:08:25 Jonathan Ries, MARLS
09:08:48 Rep. Olsen
09:09:13 Jonathan Ries, MARLS
09:09:27 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:10:00 Rep. Olsen
09:10:13 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:10:54 Rep. Vinton
09:11:02 Rep. Gunderson
09:11:26 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:11:32 Rep. Gunderson
09:11:53 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:11:59 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy
09:12:41 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:13:57 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy
09:14:06 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:14:10 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy
09:14:14 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:14:27 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy
09:14:37 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:14:47 Rep. Buttrey
09:15:03 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:15:06 Rep. Buttrey
09:15:27 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:15:36 Rep. Loge
09:15:50 Justin Stefanik, MARLS
09:16:02 Rep. Loge
09:16:10 Justin Stefanik, MARLS

Closing by Sponsor:

09:16:28 Rep. Ross Fitzgerald (R), HD 17

Committee Business:

09:17:56 Chair Ricci

09:18:39 Pat Murdo, LSD

[EXHIBIT\(buh38a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(buh38a04\)](#)

09:22:10 Chair Ricci

09:22:21 Recessed

09:47:47 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 358

09:48:06 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 358 DO PASS**

09:48:18 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Anderson made a substitute motion that **HB 358 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Krautter and Rep. Noland voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 416

09:50:28 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 416 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

09:50:46 Rep. Pope

09:51:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Krautter and Rep. Noland voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 376

09:51:43 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 376 DO PASS**.

09:51:54 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HB 376 BE AMENDED**.
(See Exhibit 3)

Discussion:

09:52:55 Rep. Fitzgerald

09:53:06 Rep. Olsen

09:53:40 Rep. Buttrey

09:54:04 Rep. Olsen

09:54:17 Rep. Fitzgerald

09:54:50 Rep. Pope

09:55:06 Rep. Buttrey

09:55:19 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Olsen voting no. Rep. Krautter and Rep. Noland voted by proxy.

09:56:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 376 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Krautter and Rep. Noland voted
by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 501

09:57:30 Pat Murdo, LSD
[EXHIBIT\(buh38a05\)](#)

09:58:41 **Motion:** Rep. Vinton moved that **HB 501 DO PASS**.

09:58:55 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Pierson made a substitute motion that **HB 501
BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep.
Krautter and Rep. Noland voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

10:00:43 Chair Ricci

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:
10:01:14

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh38aad.pdf](#))