

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

**Call to Order:** Chair Mark Noland, on March 12, 2019 at 8:30 AM, in Room 172 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)  
Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)  
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)  
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)  
Rep. Neil Duram (R)  
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)  
Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)  
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)  
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)  
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)  
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)  
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)  
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

##### **Members Excused:**

Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)  
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)

**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:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 631, 2/28/2019; HB 632, 2/28/2019; HB 634, 2/28/2019

08:31:17 Chair Noland  
08:33:13 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy joined the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HB 631**

#### **Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:33:14 Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on HB 631, Create public private partnership to help workers in targeted industries.

**[EXHIBIT\(buh50a01\)](#)**

#### **Proponents' Testimony:**

08:39:22 Eve Franklin, Montana Health Care Association (MCHA)  
08:40:30 Darrell Holzer, State Building and Construction Trade Unions  
08:43:11 Bridger Mahlum, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)  
08:45:25 Ed Bartlett, Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce, Billings Area Chamber of Commerce  
08:47:07 John Forkan, Montana Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters  
08:48:04 Jason Todhunter, Montana Logging Association (MLA)  
08:49:24 Jessie Luther, Idaho Forest Group  
08:50:55 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)  
08:51:28 Steve Wade, Montana Contractors' Association (MCA)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

#### **Informational Testimony:**

08:53:26 Scott Eychner, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

08:53:52 Rep. Buttrey  
08:54:25 Rep. Dudik  
08:55:46 Rep. Buttrey  
08:56:03 Rep. Dudik  
08:56:45 Rep. Buttrey  
08:56:53 Rep. Dudik  
08:57:04 Rep. Buttrey  
08:57:18 Rep. Dudik  
08:58:58 Rep. Buttrey  
08:59:14 Rep. Vinton  
08:59:57 Darrell Holzer, State Building and Construction Trade Unions  
09:01:55 Rep. Curdy  
09:02:45 Scott Eychner, DLI  
09:03:28 Rep. Curdy  
09:04:15 Bridger Mahlum, MCC  
09:06:18 Rep. Pope  
09:07:20 Scott Eychner, DLI  
09:10:08 Chair Noland  
09:10:35 Rep. Dudik  
09:10:58 Rep. Buttrey  
09:11:11 Rep. Dudik

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:11:40 Rep. Dudik

**HEARING ON HB 632**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:14:51 Rep. Jade Bahr (D), HD 50, opened the hearing on HB 632, Require decennial report on economic impact of Indian reservations.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

09:16:15 Cinda Burd, Montana Native Vote  
09:16:42 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish-Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)  
09:18:03 Alex Grey, Self  
09:19:10 Rep. Stewart Peregoy, American Indian Caucus

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a02\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

09:29:40 Mary Craigle, Department of Commerce (DOC)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:30:11 Rep. Gunderson  
09:30:31 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:30:53 Rep. Loge  
09:31:35 Jordan Thompson, CSKT  
09:32:15 Rep. Buttrey  
09:32:56 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:33:45 Rep. Buttrey  
09:34:20 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:34:53 Rep. Buttrey  
09:35:17 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:36:04 Rep. Pope  
09:36:33 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:38:34 Rep. Pope  
09:38:58 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:39:31 Rep. Harvey  
09:40:04 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:40:46 Rep. Harvey  
09:41:02 Mary Craigle, DOC  
09:41:49 Rep. Curdy  
09:42:53 Mary Craigle, DOC

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:43:54 Rep. Bahr

**HEARING ON HB 634****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:45:30 Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D), HD 28, opened the hearing on HB 634, Establish interstate nursing license recognition for first 90 days of practice.

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a04\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

09:54:13 Vicky Byrd, Montana Nurses Association (MNA)

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a05\)](#)

10:04:02 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy left the meeting.

10:09:20 Eric Anderson, Montana Nurses Association (MNA)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

10:16:58 Heather O'Hara, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a06\)](#)

10:24:08 Heidi Blossom, Self

10:26:47 Rayn Ginnaty, Benefis Health System

[EXHIBIT\(buh50a07\)](#)

10:28:07 Casey Buckingham, Benefis Health System

10:29:16 Kali Wicks, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT)

10:31:06 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic

10:32:16 Christen Obresley, Northern Montana Hospital (NMH)

10:34:59 Bill Warden, Bozeman Health, St. Peter's Health, Shodair Children's Hospital

10:35:31 Eve Franklin, Montana Health Care Association (MCHA)

10:36:17 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)

**Informational Testimony:**

10:36:55 Erin MacLean, Montana Nurses Association (MNA)

10:38:57 Al Smith, Montana Trial Lawyers Association (MTLA)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

10:40:15 Rep. Vinton

10:40:40 Rep. Bachmeier

10:40:59 Vicky Byrd, MNA

10:41:12 Rep. Vinton

10:41:30 Vicky Byrd, MNA

10:41:45 Rep. Vinton

10:41:50 Vicky Byrd, MNA

10:42:32 Rep. Pope

10:43:09 Vicky Byrd, MNA

10:43:48 Rep. Pope

10:44:10 Vicky Byrd, MNA

**Closing by Sponsor:**

10:45:17 Rep. Bachmeier

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:47:50

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Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([buh50aad.pdf](#))