

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

**Call to Order:** Vice Chair Edward Buttrey, on March 13, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)  
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)  
Rep. David Dunn (R)  
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)  
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)  
Rep. Terry Moore (R)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)  
Rep. Barry Usher (R)  
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)  
Rep. Tom Welch (R)  
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)  
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (D)  
Rep. Walt Sales (R)  
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lydia Balian, Committee Secretary  
Sue O'Connell, 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: SB 38, 2/28/2019; SB 59, 2/28/2019

15:02:06 Chair Buttrey

### **HEARING ON SB 38**

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

15:02:35 Sen. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D), SD 26, opened the hearing on SB 38, Allow emergency care providers to offer community health care.

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

15:07:07 Jim DeTienne, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
15:11:14 Bob Drake, Tri-Lakes Fire Department, Fire Alliance  
15:14:06 Heather O'Hara, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)  
15:15:07 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Regional Medical Center (KRHC)  
15:15:33 Rich Cowger, Montana State Fire Chiefs' Association (MSFCA)  
15:20:03 Dr. James Burkholder, State Board of Medical Examiners  
15:21:42 Joel Gaertig, Montana State Firemen's Association, Montana State Council of Professional Firefighters  
15:22:07 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic  
15:22:44 Ruth Bilyeu, Red Lodge Fire Rescue  
15:29:37 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)  
15:30:26 Don Whalen, Missoula Emergency Services

#### **Opponents' Testimony:**

15:32:00 Eric Anderson, Montana Nurses Association (MNA)

#### **Informational Testimony:**

15:34:02 Judy Bovington, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)  
15:34:33 Ian Marquand, Board of Medical Examiners

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

15:34:58 Rep. Kelker  
15:35:29 Sen. MacDonald  
15:35:56 Rep. Usher  
15:36:38 Sen. MacDonald  
15:37:14 Rep. Usher  
15:38:13 Ian Marquand, Board of Medical Examiners  
15:38:44 Judy Bovington, DLI  
15:39:04 Rep. Usher  
15:39:37 Judy Bovington, DLI  
15:40:11 Rep. Dunn  
15:40:24 Sen. MacDonald  
15:41:12 Judy Bovington, DLI  
  
15:43:16 Rep. Sales joined the meeting.  
  
15:43:32 Rep. Usher  
15:44:05 Judy Bovington, DLI  
15:44:26 Rep. Usher  
15:45:01 Judy Bovington, DLI  
15:46:28 Rep. Usher

15:46:32 Rep. Dunwell joined the meeting.

15:46:48 Ruth Bilyeu, Red Lodge Fire Rescue  
15:48:20 Rep. Usher  
15:48:49 Ruth Bilyeu, Red Lodge Fire Rescue

15:49:02 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway joined the meeting.

15:49:44 Rep. Mandeville  
15:50:27 Rich Cowger, MSFCA  
15:51:42 Rep. Mandeville  
15:52:22 Rich Cowger, MSFCA  
15:53:45 Chair Buttrey  
15:53:57 Rich Cowger, MSFCA  
15:57:37 Chair Buttrey  
15:58:00 Rich Cowger, MSFCA  
15:59:32 Chair Buttrey  
16:00:05 Bob Drake, Tri-Lakes Fire Department, Fire Alliance  
16:01:02 Chair Buttrey  
16:01:16 Judy Bovington, DLI  
16:01:42 Jim DeTienne, DPHHS  
16:02:02 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
16:02:36 Chair Buttrey  
16:02:43 Jim DeTienne, DPHHS  
16:02:57 Vice Chair Pierson  
16:03:28 Dr. James Burkholder, State Board of Medical Examiners  
16:03:55 Rich Cowger, MSFCA

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:04:39 Sen. MacDonald

16:08:47 Rep. Usher left the meeting.

**HEARING ON SB 59**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:09:41 Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB 59, Revise occupational therapy requirements regarding certain techniques.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

16:11:00 Brenda Toner, Montana Board of Occupational Therapy Practice  
16:12:23 Aidan Myhre, Kalispell Regional Medical Center  
16:13:19 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic  
16:14:06 Nate Naprstek, Bridger Orthopedics and Sports Medicine  
16:14:42 Judy Bovington, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

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**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:15:26 Sen. McClafferty

16:15:50 Chair Buttrey

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 16:17:10

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Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([huh51aad.pdf](#))**