

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Carl Glimm, on March 15, 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. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Jessica Riffel, Committee Clerk
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 400, 3/12/2019; HB 420, 3/12/2019; HB 459, 3/12/2019

HEARING ON HB 400**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:05:51 Rep. Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on HB32400,
Generally revise supplemental assistance program laws.

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a01\)](#)

15:08:27 Rep. Caferro joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:09:07 Kim Gilchrist, Community Food and Agriculture Coalition (CFAC)

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a02\)](#)

15:12:57 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a03\)](#)

15:14:50 Shay Farmer, Mission Falls Farmers Market

15:16:38 Amanda Cahill, American Heart Association

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a04\)](#)

15:18:30 David Andersen, Montana Association of Christians (MAC)

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a05\)](#)

15:19:16 Makenna Sellers, Northern Plains Research Council

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:20:35 JB Palagi, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:21:30 Rep. Windy Boy

15:22:04 JB Palagi, DPHHS

15:22:20 Kim Gilchrist, CFAC

15:22:38 Rep. Windy Boy

15:22:53 Kim Gilchrist, CFAC

15:23:37 Rep. Read

15:23:52 Kim Gilchrist, CFAC

15:25:00 Rep. Hopkins

15:25:36 Kim Gilchrist, CFAC

15:26:00 Rep. Hopkins

15:26:29 Kim Gilchrist, CFAC

15:26:38 Rep. Regier joined the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

15:27:21 Rep. Dudik

[EXHIBIT\(aph53a06\)](#)

HEARING ON HB 420**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:28:36 Rep. Rep. Tyson Runningwolf (D), HD 16, opened the hearing on HB32420, Encourage grow your own programs to address teacher shortage.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:33:26 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM) Montana Public Education Center (MTPEC)
15:39:17 Daniel Farr, Northeast Rural Schools
15:41:38 Sam Forstag, Montana Associated Students (MAS)
15:42:45 Julian Adler, Montana Public Interest Group (MontPIRG)
15:44:17 EJ Redding, Bainville Public School
15:44:39 Cinda Burd, Montana Native Vote

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

15:45:14 Ron Muffick, Office Of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:45:46 Rep. Peppers
15:46:40 Rep. Runningwolf
15:47:09 Rep. Bedey
15:47:38 Ron Muffick, OCHE
15:48:02 Rep. Windy Boy
15:48:51 Daniel Farr, Northeast Rural Schools
15:49:27 Rep. Hamilton
15:53:06 Rep. Runningwolf
15:53:34 Rep. Bedey
16:00:00 Ron Muffick, OCHE
16:00:42 Chair Glimm

Closing by Sponsor:

16:00:55 Rep. Runningwolf

HEARING ON HB 459**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

16:02:53 Rep. Rep. Becky Beard (R), HD 80, opened the hearing on HB32459, Provide support for rural school recruitment and retention.

Proponents' Testimony:

16:06:23 EJ Redding, Bainville Public School
[EXHIBIT\(aph53a07\)](#)

16:08:34 Daniel Farr, Northeast Rural Schools
16:10:25 Renee Rasmussen, Bainville Public Schools
[EXHIBIT\(aph53a08\)](#)

16:16:13 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)
16:16:59 Diane Burke, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)
16:17:46 Sean Beddow, Lambert Public Schools

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

16:21:11 Ken Morrison, Self
16:21:53 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:22:33 Rep. Hamilton
16:23:36 Ken Bailey, OPI
16:24:08 Rep. Hamilton
16:24:35 Ken Bailey, OPI
16:25:02 Rep. Hamilton
16:25:58 Ken Bailey, OPI
16:27:04 Rep. Hamilton
16:27:45 Renee Rasmussen, Bainville Public Schools

Closing by Sponsor:

16:31:59 Rep. Beard

16:35:24 Chair Glimm

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:36:00

Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph53aad.pdf](#))