

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on March 18, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. David Dunn (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

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 289, 2/28/2019; SJ 2, 2/28/2019

- 15:04:16 Chair Lenz
- 15:04:22 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway joined the meeting.

HEARING ON SB 289

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

- 15:04:45 Sen. Diane Sands (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 289, Provide safe harbor for pregnant women seeking assistance for substance abuse.
- 15:05:54 Rep. Dunwell joined the meeting.
- 15:08:00 Rep. Moore joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

- 15:10:54 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)
- 15:11:19 Vice Chair Buttrey left the meeting.
- 15:12:23 Erin McGowan, Association of Montana Public Health Officials (AMPHO),
Montana Public Health Association
- 15:13:15 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
- 15:14:12 Jessie Luther, Benefis Health
- EXHIBIT(huh55a01)**
- 15:15:23 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic, Community Medical Center of Missoula

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 15:16:15 Rep. Kelker
- 15:17:05 Sen. Sands
- 15:17:46 Rep. Kelker
- 15:17:59 Sen. Sands
- 15:19:10 Rep. Moore
- 15:19:42 Sen. Sands
- 15:20:26 Vice Chair Pierson
- 15:20:55 Sen. Sands
- 15:21:43 Rep. Usher
- 15:21:58 Sen. Sands
- 15:22:03 Rep. Usher
- 15:22:19 Sen. Sands
- 15:22:50 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
- 15:23:13 Sen. Sands
- 15:23:55 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
- 15:24:39 Sen. Sands
- 15:24:57 Rep. Usher

15:25:11 Sen. Sands
15:25:18 Chair Lenz
15:26:04 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic, Community Medical Center of Missoula
15:27:21 Chair Lenz
15:28:25 Sen. Sands

Closing by Sponsor:

15:28:51 Sen. Sands

15:29:50 Rep. Morigeau joined the meeting.

HEARING ON SJ 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:39:01 Sen. Frank Smith (D), SD 16, opened the hearing on SJ 2, Requesting an interim study of options to break the cycle of youth who run away.

Proponents' Testimony:

None

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:40:33 Rep. Kelker
15:40:57 Sen. Smith
15:41:12 Rep. Kelker
15:41:23 Sen. Smith

15:41:37 Rep. Bessette joined the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

15:41:42 Sen. Smith

15:42:01 Chair Lenz

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:42:51

Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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