

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Nancy Ballance, on March 20, 2019 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

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

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)  
Rep. Dan Bartel, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. David Bedey (R)  
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)  
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)  
Rep. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)  
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)  
Rep. Joe Read (R)  
Rep. Matt Regier (R)  
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)

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

Rep. Carl Glimm, Chair (R)  
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)  
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)  
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)  
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Jessica Riffel, Committee Clerk  
Joe Triem, 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 657, 3/14/2019; HB 662, 3/14/2019; HB 663, 3/14/2019; HB 664, 3/14/2019; HB 669, 3/14/2019; HB 670, 3/14/2019; HB 671, 3/14/2019; HB 672, 3/14/2019  
Executive Action: HB 657, HB 662, HB 663, HB 664, HB 669, HB 670, HB 671, HB 672

15:03:29 Rep. Burnett, Rep. Woods and Rep. Dudik joined the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HB 669**

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

15:03:49 Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 669, Implement the provisions of section B of the general appropriations act.

15:04:52 Rep. Hamilton and Rep. Mercer joined the meeting.

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

15:06:01 Jackie Jones, Montana Association of Community Disability Service Providers (MTACDS), Montana Association of Area Agencies on Aging  
15:07:48 Mike Batista, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)  
15:08:24 Beth Brennemen, Disability Rights Montana (DRM)  
15:08:46 Nicolas Hart, Alzheimer's Association

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

#### **Informational Testimony:**

15:09:29 Josh Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

15:09:44 Rep. E. Moore

15:10:09 Chair Ballance

15:10:12 Rep. Bedey left the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HB 670**

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

15:10:26 Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 670, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec B - Health and Human Services.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

#### **Closing by Sponsor:**

15:11:15 Rep. E. Moore

**HEARING ON HB 671**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:11:24 Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 671, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec B - Health and Human Services.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:11:40 Rep. Hamilton  
15:11:56 Rep. E. Moore  
15:12:38 Rep. Caferro  
15:12:50 Rep. E. Moore

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:13:02 Rep. E. Moore

**HEARING ON HB 672**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:13:08 Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), HD 37, opened the hearing on HB 672, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec. B - Health and Human Services.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:13:29 Rep. E. Moore

15:13:42 Rep. E. Moore left the meeting.

**HEARING ON HB 662**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:14:10 Rep. Llew Jones (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 662, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec E - Education.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:15:19 Rep. Jones

**HEARING ON HB 663**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:15:28 Rep. Llew Jones (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 663, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec E - Education.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:15:53 Rep. Jones

**HEARING ON HB 664**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:16:02 Rep. Llew Jones (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 664, Implement provisions of HB2, Sec E - Education.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:16:24 Rep. Jones

15:16:34 Chair Ballance

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 669**

15:17:46 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 669 DO PASS.**

15:18:06 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 669 BE AMENDED.**

**EXHIBIT(aph57a01)**

**Discussion:**

- 15:18:21 Rep. Holmlund
- 15:18:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.
- 15:19:29 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 669 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 670**

- 15:20:11 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 670 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

- 15:20:21 Rep. Woods
- 15:20:39 Chair Ballance
- 15:20:54 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 671**

- 15:21:25 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 671 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 672**

- 15:22:16 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 672 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

- 15:22:31 Rep. Woods
- 15:22:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.
- 15:22:51 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 662**

- 15:23:13 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 662 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Lynch and Rep. E. Moore voted by proxy.
- 15:23:47 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 663**

15:23:53 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 663 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Lynch and Rep. E. Moore voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 664**

15:24:30 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 664 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Bedey, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Lynch and Rep. E. Moore voted by proxy.

15:25:09 Vice Chair Jones

15:25:30 Chair Ballance

15:25:53 Rep. Windy Boy

15:26:13 Recessed

15:49:30 Reconvened with Rep. Bedey present and Rep. Regier and Rep. Caferro excused.

**HEARING ON HB 657****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:49:41 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB 657, Study community college funding formula and CTE funding.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:51:08 Ed Bartlett, Montana Community Collages (MCC), Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)

15:54:43 Rep. Windy Boy left the meeting.

15:55:11 TJ Eyer, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

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

15:56:10 Shauna Albrecht, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:56:28 Rep. Keane

15:58:54 TJ Eyer, OPI

15:59:51 Rep. Keane

16:00:53 Rep. Bedey

**Closing by Sponsor:**

16:01:15 Rep. Bedey

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 657**

16:01:31 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 657 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

16:01:44 Rep. Jones

16:07:12 Rep. Keane

16:10:51 Rep. Jones

16:12:08 Chair Ballance

16:13:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Lynch, Rep. E. Moore, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

16:13:55 Chair Ballance

16:14:56 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

16:15:02 Chair Ballance

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 16:17:28

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Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([aph57aad.pdf](#))