

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on March 22, 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. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. David Bedey (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (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 404, 3/18/2019; HB 695, 3/18/2019; HB 696, 3/18/2019
Executive Action: HB 10, HB 111, HB 385, HB 404, HB 555, HB 684, HB 695

HEARING ON HB 404**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:10:19 Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R), HD 27, opened the hearing on HB 404, Revise the itemized deduction for medical expenses.

Proponents' Testimony: None**Opponents' Testimony:**

15:11:30 Gene Walborn, Director, Department of Revenue (DOR)

15:12:08 Rose Bender, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)

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

15:12:39 Rep. Woods

15:13:53 Rep. Kassmier

Closing by Sponsor:

15:14:30 Rep. Kassmier

HEARING ON HB 695**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:15:09 Rep. Jim Keane (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 695, Appropriate funds to FWP for recreation easement.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:16:32 Martha Williams, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(aph59b01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph59b02\)](#)

15:21:31 John Tubbs, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

15:25:07 Coby Gierke, Montana State Parks Foundation

15:26:44 Diane Conradi, Montana State Parks Foundation

15:29:48 Angie Grove, State Parks Recreation Board

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:30:51 Chair Glimm

15:31:45 Rep. Mercer joined the meeting.

15:32:23 Director Tubbs, DNRC

15:33:10 Chair Glimm

15:37:21 Director Williams, FWP

15:37:37 Chair Ballance

15:37:43 Director Williams, FWP

15:37:50 Rep. Holmlund
 15:38:17 Director Williams, FWP
 15:38:39 Rep. Burnett
 15:39:50 Director Tubbs, DNRC
 15:40:21 Rep. Woods
 15:41:07 Rep. Keane
 15:41:25 Rep. Woods
 15:41:30 Rep. Ryan
 15:42:45 Director Williams, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

15:43:07 Rep. Keane

HEARING ON HB 696**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:44:09 Rep. Jessica Karjala (D), HD 48, opened the hearing on HB 696, Appropriating funds for suicide prevention.
 15:45:58 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:46:16 Roger Hagan, American Legion of Montana (ALM), National Guard Association of Montana (NGAM)
 15:48:13 Major General Matthew Quinn, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)
 15:53:16 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
 15:53:49 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.
 15:55:01 Colleen Rahn, National Alliance on Mental Illness Montana (NAMI-MT)
 15:57:11 Jordan Thompson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT), Montana Native Vote

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

16:00:54 Zak Reimer, Center for Children and Family Studies (CCFS)

[EXHIBIT\(aph59b03\)](#)**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

16:02:12 Rep. Bedey
 16:02:32 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
 16:04:02 Rep. Peppers
 16:04:27 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
 16:05:02 Major General Quinn, DMA
 16:06:19 Rep. Peppers
 16:06:36 Major General Quinn, DMA
 16:07:13 Rep. Bedey
 16:07:49 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
 16:08:30 Megan Peel, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
 16:09:37 Rep. Bedey
 16:10:22 Megan Peel, DPHHS

16:11:33 Rep. Windy Boy
16:12:01 Megan Peel, DPHHS
16:12:38 Rep. Windy Boy
16:16:19 Rep. Karjala
16:16:50 Chair Glimm
16:17:24 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
16:17:32 Vice Chair Jones joined the meeting.
16:17:40 Megan Peel, DPHHS
16:18:19 Chair Ballance
16:18:26 Megan Peel, DPHHS
16:18:35 Rep. Peppers
16:19:04 Major General Quinn, DMA
16:20:30 Rep. Woods
16:21:15 Rep. Karjala
16:22:36 Chair Ballance
16:23:14 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
16:25:22 Rep. Windy Boy
16:26:36 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
16:26:45 Rep. Windy Boy
16:26:55 Rep. Karjala
16:27:30 Erica Johnston, DPHHS

EXHIBIT(aph59b04)

16:27:46 Rep. Windy Boy

Closing by Sponsor:

16:28:51 Rep. Karjala

16:31:03 Chair Ballance
16:31:36 Rep. E. Moore joined the meeting.
16:31:41 Rep. Woods
16:31:44 Chair Ballance
16:32:05 Rep. Dudik
16:32:36 Chair Ballance
16:32:52 Rep. Windy Boy
16:33:17 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
16:33:25 Chair Ballance

16:34:16 Recessed
17:06:24 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 111

17:06:43 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 111 DO PASS.**

17:06:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 111 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(aph59b05)

17:08:02 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 111 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED TO TAKE \$10 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO IMPLEMENT HB 111**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:08:45 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 111 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 385

17:09:17 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 385 DO PASS**.

17:09:27 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 385 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b06\)](#)

Discussion:

17:09:42 Rep. Holmlund

17:10:00 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Mercer voting no.

17:10:25 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 385 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b07\)](#)

Discussion:

17:10:43 Rep. Hamilton

17:11:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:11:31 **Motion:** Rep. Woods moved that **HB 385 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED TO CHANGE THE AMOUNT ON PAGE 11 LINE 19 FROM \$50 TO \$100**.

Discussion:

17:11:56 Rep. Woods

17:12:43 Chair Ballance

17:12:49 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-3 by voice vote with Rep. Burnett, Rep. Mercer and Rep. Peppers voting no.

17:13:10 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 385 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 15-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Burnett, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Peppers and Rep. M. Regier voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 404

17:14:33 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 404 DO PASS**.

17:14:43 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Jones made a substitute motion that **HB 404 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Hamlett voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 555

17:15:13 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 555 DO PASS.**

17:16:02 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 555 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b08)

Discussion:

17:16:19 Rep. Holmlund

17:16:55 Chair Ballance

17:17:45 **Vote:** Motion failed 11-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Bartel, Rep. Bedey, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Caferro, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Jones, Rep. Mercer, Rep. E. Moore and Rep. Read voting aye.

17:18:54 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. E. Moore made a substitute motion that **HB 555 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 684

17:19:24 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 684 DO PASS.**

17:19:32 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b09)

Discussion:

17:20:03 Rep. Regier

17:20:33 Rep. Mercer

17:21:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:21:24 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b10)

Discussion:

17:21:38 Rep. Regier

17:21:54 Rep. Dudik

17:22:23 Without objection, Rep. M. Regier withdrew the BE AMENDED motion.

17:22:54 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b11)

Discussion:

17:23:12 Rep. Regier

17:23:29 Rep. Hamilton

17:23:38 Julie Johnson, LSD

17:24:09 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:24:21 **Motion:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b12\)](#)

Discussion:

17:24:34 Rep. Regier

17:25:07 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:25:24 **Motion:** Rep. Dudik moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b13\)](#)

Discussion:

17:25:35 Rep. Dudik

17:26:05 Rep. Regier

17:26:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Glimm voting no.

17:26:41 **Motion:** Rep. Dudik moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b14\)](#)

Discussion:

17:26:51 Rep. Dudik

17:27:27 Rep. Regier

17:28:03 **Vote:** Motion failed 9-13 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Woods voting aye.

17:28:58 **Motion:** Rep. Dudik moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b15\)](#)

Discussion:

17:29:07 Rep. Dudik

17:29:49 Rep. Regier

17:30:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Bartel, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Jones, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Read and Rep. M. Regier voting no.

17:31:25 **Motion:** Rep. Mercer moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(aph59b16\)](#)

Discussion:

17:31:33 Rep. Mercer

17:32:06 Rep. Regier

17:32:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:32:36 **Motion:** Rep. Mercer moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b17)

Discussion:

17:32:47 Rep. Mercer

17:33:34 Rep. Regier

17:33:43 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:33:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. M. Regier moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

(See Exhibit 10)

17:34:45 **Motion:** Rep. Hamlett moved that **HB 684 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59b18)

Discussion:

17:34:54 Rep. Hamlett

17:35:11 Rep. Regier

17:35:35 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-17 by roll call vote with Rep. Caferro, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Woods voting aye.

17:36:39 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 684 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 20-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Hamlett and Rep. Holmlund voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 695

17:37:54 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 695 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

17:38:14 Chair Glimm

17:38:43 Rep. Keane

17:39:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 10

17:39:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 10 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17:40:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 10 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Caferro voting no.

17:40:43 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:42:09

Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph59bad.pdf](#))