

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on March 25, 2019 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bruce Grubbs (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, 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 720, 3/21/2019; SB 264, 3/11/2019; SB 270, 3/11/2019; SB 288, 3/11/2019

Executive Action: HB 720, HB 475, HB 644, HB 678, HB 679, HB 566, SB 264, SB 270, SB 288, SB 71, SB 305

10:02:12 Chair Noland

HEARING ON HB 720

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:04:13 Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R), HD 45, opened the hearing on HB 720, Provide limited license for cosmetologist interns.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:07:12 Olivia Davidson, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:08:59 Rep. Curdy
10:09:12 Olivia Davidson, Self
10:09:21 Vice Chair Ricci
10:09:30 Olivia Davidson, Self
10:09:59 Rep. Funk
10:10:30 Rep. Zolnikov
10:11:38 Chair Noland
10:11:48 Rep. Zolnikov

Closing by Sponsor:

10:12:08 Rep. Zolnikov

HEARING ON SB 270

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:12:58 Sen. Mary McNally (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 270, Revise reimbursement conditions for certain pharmacies, pharmacists.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:15:22 Kali Wicks, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT)
10:16:41 Kendall Cotton, Office of Commissioner of Securities and Insurance (CSI)
10:17:15 Laura Vachowski, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)
10:19:23 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
10:20:05 Brad Griffin, Montana Retail Association (MRA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

10:20:51 Sen. McNally

HEARING ON SB 264**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

10:21:58 Sen. Jason Small (R), SD 21, opened the hearing on SB 264, Revise laws related to coal-fired generation remediation activities.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:23:56 Adam Haight, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
10:24:46 Darrell Holzer, Montana Building and Construction Trades
10:26:00 John Gordon, State Conference of Electrical Workers
10:26:21 Cody Ferguson, Northern Plains Resource Council
10:27:57 John Forkan, Montana State Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters, Local Union 2
10:28:37 Anne Hedges, Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC)
10:29:37 Steve Gross, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union 400 (IUOE)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:30:42 Rep. Vinton
10:31:00 Sen. Small
10:31:19 Rep. Vinton
10:31:27 Sen. Small
10:32:15 Chair Noland

Closing by Sponsor:

10:32:33 Sen. Small

Committee Business:

10:35:16 Chair Noland
10:35:36 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

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[EXHIBIT\(buh61a02\)](#)

10:38:41 Chair Noland
10:38:47 Pat Murdo, LSD
10:40:43 Chair Noland
10:41:02 Rep. Olsen
10:41:35 Pat Murdo, LSD
10:43:13 Chair Noland

10:43:30 Recessed
11:01:01 Reconvened

HEARING ON SB 288**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

11:01:20 Sen. Dee Brown (R), SD 2, opened the hearing on SB 288, Revise laws related to audits of the chiropractic legal panel.

Proponents' Testimony:

11:02:22 Brad Griffin, Montana Chiropractic Association (MCA)

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

11:04:49 Cindy Jorgenson, Legislative Audit Division (LAD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

11:05:12 Rep. Olsen
11:05:22 Vice Chair Ricci
11:05:27 Cindy Jorgenson, LAD
11:05:38 Rep. Pierson
11:05:50 Vice Chair Ricci

Closing by Sponsor:

11:06:00 Sen. Brown

Committee Business:

11:07:10 Chair Noland
11:08:15 Pat Murdo, LSD
11:08:27 Chair Noland

11:08:31 Recessed
11:32:59 Reconvened

11:33:22 Chair Noland

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 720

11:33:47 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 720 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 264

11:34:45 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 264 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy. Rep. Harvey will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 270

11:35:18 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 270 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy. Rep. Sullivan will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 288

11:35:45 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 288 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy. Rep. Burnett will carry the bill.

11:36:15 Pat Murdo, LSD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 475

11:36:29 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 475 DO PASS**.

11:36:42 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 475 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

(See Exhibit 2)

11:37:23 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 475 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 644

11:37:57 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 644 DO PASS**.

11:38:16 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Curdy made a substitute motion that **HB 644 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion failed 9-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

11:40:04 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 678

11:41:35 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 678 DO PASS**.

11:41:48 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gunderson made a substitute motion that **HB 678 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 15-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Stewart Peregoy voting no. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 679

11:43:29 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 679 DO PASS.**

11:43:35 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Vinton made a substitute motion that **HB 679 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Perego and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 71

11:45:06 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 71 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

11:45:26 Rep. Sullivan

11:46:15 Rep. Olsen

11:47:13 Rep. Curdy

11:47:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 16-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Funk, Rep. Stewart Perego and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy. Rep. Pierson will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 305

11:49:19 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 305 BE CONCURRED IN.**

11:49:23 **Motion:** Rep. Noland moved that **SB 305 BE AMENDED.**

[EXHIBIT\(buh61a03\)](#)

Discussion:

11:49:45 Pat Murdo, LSD

11:50:24 Rep. Buttrey

11:50:49 Chair Noland

11:51:03 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

11:51:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **SB 305 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Perego and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy. Rep. Loge will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 566

11:53:25 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Pierson moved that **HB 566 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.** Motion carried 18-0 by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs was excused.

11:53:51 **Motion:** Rep. Pierson moved that **HB 566 DO PASS.**

11:54:02 **Motion:** Rep. Pierson moved that **HB 566 BE AMENDED.**
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Discussion:

11:54:15 Rep. Pierson

11:54:41 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

11:54:55 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HB 566 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

11:55:05 Rep. Curdy

11:55:44 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

11:55:56 Pat Murdo, LSD

11:56:11 Vice Chair Stewart Peregoy

11:57:20 Rep. Buttrey

11:57:51 Rep. Pierson

11:58:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Stewart Peregoy voting no.
Rep. Grubbs voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

11:59:47 Chair Noland

12:00:43 Rep. Vinton

12:00:54 Chair Noland

12:01:37 Pat Murdo, LSD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:01:55

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh61aad.pdf](#))