

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on March 25, 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. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. David Dunn (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Barry Usher (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Thomas Winter (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (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: HB 680, 3/19/2019; HB 681, 3/19/2019

15:20:43 Chair Lenz
15:20:52 Rep. Bessette joined the meeting.
15:21:10 Vice Chair Buttrey left the meeting.

HEARING ON HB 680

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:21:55 Rep. Terry Moore (R), HD 54, opened the hearing on HB 680, Establishing a caseload cap on DD targeted case management services.
15:22:11 Rep. Bahr joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:25:40 Matt Bugni, Anaconda Work and Residential Enterprises (AWARE)
15:28:30 Jackie Helt, Service Employees International Union (SEIU) 775
15:31:09 Beth Brennemen, Disability Rights Montana
15:34:01 Pat Noonan, Anaconda Work and Residential Enterprises (AWARE)
15:37:39 Patrick Maddison, self
15:39:15 Jackie Jones, Montana Association of Community Disability Services (MACDS)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

15:40:59 Marie Matthews, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:44:12 Rep. Bessette
15:44:38 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
15:44:58 Rep. Webb
15:45:31 Patrick Maddison, self
15:46:08 Rep. Webb
15:46:17 Jackie Helt, SEIU
15:46:25 Rep. Kelker
15:47:17 Pat Noonan, AWARE
15:48:20 Rep. Kelker
15:48:42 Pat Noonan, AWARE
15:49:32 Rep. Winter
15:50:11 Matt Bugni, AWARE
15:52:16 Rep. Webb
15:52:40 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
15:52:57 Rep. Webb
15:53:09 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
15:53:40 Rep Sheldon-Galloway
15:54:08 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
15:54:16 Vice Chair Pierson joined the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

15:54:52 Rep. Moore

HEARING ON HB 681**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:57:41 Rep. Gordon Pierson (D), HD 78, opened the hearing on HB 681, Revising DD provider rates and budget development.

Proponents' Testimony:15:58:38 Jackie Jones, Montana Association of Community Disability Services (MACDS)
EXHIBIT(huh61a01)

16:00:58 Rep. Winter left the meeting.

16:04:14 Dave Eaton, Montana Association of Community Disability Services (MACDS)

16:06:38 Rob Tallon, Reach Incorporated

16:07:41 Clint Garner, Opportunity Resources

16:09:52 Pat Noonan, Anaconda Work and Residential Enterprises (AWARE)

16:11:13 Jackie Helt, Service Employees International Union (SEIU) 775

16:13:39 Diane Reidelbach, Job Connection

16:17:33 Patrick Maddison, self

16:20:51 Larry Dill, Opportunity Resources

16:21:58 Rep. Winter rejoined the meeting.

16:22:23 Brooke Bartholomew, Developmental Educational Assistance Program (DEAP)

16:27:52 Jean Morgan, WestMont

16:30:32 Matt Bugni, Anaconda Work and Residential Enterprises (AWARE)

EXHIBIT(huh61a02)

16:33:34 Mike Mahoney, Family Outreach

16:36:46 Bradley Tiefenthaler, Family Outreach

Opponents' Testimony:

16:38:29 Bob Leach, self

16:39:38 Vice Chair Buttrey rejoined the meeting.

Informational Testimony:

16:40:48 Marie Matthews, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:41:07 Rep. Kelker

16:41:43 Rep. Pierson

16:42:00 Jackie Jones, MACDS

16:43:10 Rep. Kelker

16:44:27 Jackie Jones, MACDS

16:48:13 Rep. Kelker

16:48:55 Jackie Jones, MACDS
16:50:02 Chair Lenz
16:50:11 Jackie Jones, MACDS
16:51:22 Rep. Usher
16:52:00 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
16:54:03 Rep. Usher
16:54:21 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
16:55:36 Rep. Usher
16:55:59 Jackie Jones, MACDS
16:56:56 Rep. Sales
16:57:23 Jackie Jones, MACDS
16:58:51 Rep. Webb
16:59:22 Jackie Jones, MACDS
16:59:42 Rep. Webb
16:59:58 Diane Reidelbach, Job Connection

Closing by Sponsor:

17:01:20 Rep. Pierson

17:04:29 Chair Lenz
17:07:02 Vice Chair Buttrey
17:07:37 Vice Chair Pierson
17:07:43 Vice Chair Buttrey
17:08:01 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
17:08:47 Vice Chair Buttrey
17:09:11 Chair Lenz
17:09:45 Vice Chair Buttrey
17:10:08 Chair Lenz

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:11:07

Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh61aad.pdf](#))