

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

**Call to Order:** Chair Mark Noland, on April 16, 2019 at 8:30 AM, 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. Bruce Grubbs (R)  
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)  
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)  
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)  
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)  
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

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

Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)

##### **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: HJ 58, 4/12/2019; HJ 59, 4/12/2019  
Executive Action: HJ 58, HJ 59

08:30:50 Chair Noland  
08:31:41 Rep. Duram left the meeting.

### **HEARING ON HJ 58**

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

08:35:50 Rep. Jessica Karjala (D), HD 48, opened the hearing on HJ 58, Study how business filing transparency can aid crime investigations.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

#### **Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

08:41:30 Chair Noland  
08:42:20 Rep. Karjala  
08:42:57 Vice Chair Ricci  
08:43:14 Rep. Karjala  
08:43:32 Vice Chair Ricci  
08:43:39 Rep. Karjala  
08:44:41 Vice Chair Ricci  
08:44:49 Rep. Karjala  
08:45:55 Rep. Loge  
08:46:07 Rep. Karjala  
08:46:35 Rep. Krautter  
08:47:49 Rep. Karjala  
08:49:23 Rep. Grubbs  
08:49:48 Rep. Karjala  
08:50:28 Rep. Grubbs  
08:50:32 Rep. Karjala  
08:50:48 Bridger Mahlum, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)  
08:51:05 Rep, Grubbs  
08:51:20 Bridger Mahlum, MCC  
08:54:22 Rep. Pierson  
08:54:35 Rep. Vinton  
08:55:10 Rep. Karjala

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

08:55:36 Rep. Karjala

### **HEARING ON HJ 59**

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

08:58:06 Rep. Jessica Karjala (D), HD 48, opened the hearing on HJ 59, Interim study of overtime wage laws and wage exploitation in Montana.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:**

09:00:43 Bridger Mahlum, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)  
09:04:07 Rep. Krautter left the meeting.

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

09:04:53 Rep. Vinton  
09:05:16 Bridger Mahlum, MCC  
09:05:57 Vice Chair Ricci  
09:06:31 Rep. Karjala

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:07:00 Rep. Karjala

**Committee Business:**

09:09:25 Chair Noland

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 58****Discussion:**

09:11:01 Chair Noland  
09:12:33 Pat Murdo, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
09:13:08 Rep. Krautter rejoined the meeting.  
09:13:18 Chair Noland  
09:14:07 Rep. Buttrey  
09:14:28 Chair Noland  
09:14:56 Rep. Krautter  
09:15:02 Chair Noland  
09:15:09 Rep. Krautter  
09:15:12 Chair Noland  
09:16:05 Rep. Krautter  
09:16:42 Rep. Curdy  
09:18:28 Rep. Loge  
09:18:50 Rep. Buttrey  
09:19:36 Rep. Curdy  
09:20:19 Chair Noland

09:20:39 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HJ 58 DO PASS.**

09:20:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Anderson, Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Duram, Rep. Fitzgerald, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Ricci and Rep. Vinton voting no. Rep. Duram and Rep. Olsen voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 59**

09:22:32 **Motion:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HJ 59 DO PASS.**

**Discussion:**

09:22:45 Rep. Grubbs

09:24:02 Rep. Funk  
09:24:28 Chair Noland  
09:24:57 Rep. Gunderson

09:25:39 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pierson, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Duram and Rep. Olsen voted by proxy.

09:27:07 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci moved that **HJ 59 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Duram and Rep. Olsen voted by proxy.

**Committee Business:**

09:27:44 Chair Noland  
09:28:24 Rep. Loge  
09:28:30 Chair Noland

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 09:28:50

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Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([buh80aad.pdf](#))