

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on April 17, 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. Gordon Pierson Jr, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Barbara Bessette (D)
Rep. David Dunn (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (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. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Jade Bahr (D)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Shane A. Morigeau (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jacie Vonada, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 63, 4/15/2019
Executive Action: HR 5, HJ 55, HJ 63

15:00:49 Chair Lenz

15:00:51 Rep. Morigeau joined the meeting.

HEARING ON HJ 63

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:01:20 Rep. Jim Hamilton (D), HD 61, opened the hearing on HJ 63, Interim study of mental health services.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:03:58 Michael Foust, Western Montana Mental Health Center

15:08:04 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (MAMFT)

15:09:59 Beth Brennenman, Disability Rights Montana

15:12:49 Sydney Barry, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:13:21 Rep. Dunwell

15:13:57 Rep. Hamilton

15:15:11 Rep. Dunwell

15:15:34 Rep. Hamilton

15:16:00 Rep. Usher

15:16:32 Rep. Hamilton

15:17:10 Rep. Bahr joined the meeting.

15:17:32 Rep. Usher

15:17:38 Rep. Hamilton

15:17:44 Rep. Sales

15:18:07 Rep. Hamilton

15:19:20 Rep. Sales

15:19:41 Rep. Abbott joined the meeting.

15:20:03 Michael Foust, Western Montana Mental Health Center

Closing by Sponsor:

15:20:59 Rep. Hamilton

15:23:42 Recessed

15:43:18 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 5

15:43:39 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HR 5 BE ADOPTED.**

15:43:50 **Motion:** Rep. Usher moved that **HR 5 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(huh81a01\)](#)

Discussion:

15:45:06 Rep. Bessette

15:45:39 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Kelker voted by proxy.

15:46:01 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HR 5 BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.**

15:46:08 Rep. Kelker joined the meeting.

15:46:13 **Motion:** Rep. Bahr moved that **HR 5 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(huh81a02\)](#)

Discussion:

15:46:36 Rep. Bahr
15:47:52 Vice Chair Buttrey
15:48:20 Rep. Moore
15:49:13 Rep. Dunwell
15:50:28 Rep. Mandeville
15:51:22 Rep. Bahr

15:52:03 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Bessette, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Morigeau, Rep. Pierson and Rep. Winter voting aye.

15:53:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Bessette, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Mandeville, Rep. Morigeau and Rep. Pierson voting no.

15:54:00 Rep. Usher

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 55

15:54:19 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HJ 55 DO PASS.**

15:54:28 **Motion:** Rep. Winter moved that **HJ 55 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(huh81a03\)](#)

Discussion:

15:54:39 Rep. Winter

15:55:15 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:55:32 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HJ 55 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

15:55:41 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mandeville made a substitute motion that **HJ 55 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 11-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Bessette, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Morigeau, Rep. Pierson and Rep. Winter voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 63

15:57:01 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **HJ 63 DO PASS.**

15:57:08 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ricci made a substitute motion that **HJ 63 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 10-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Bahr, Rep. Bessette, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Kelker, Rep. Morigeau, Rep. Pierson, Rep. W. Sales and Rep. Winter voting no.

15:58:17 Chair Lenz

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:58:50

Jacie Vonada, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh81aad.pdf](#))