

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Keith Regier, on January 25, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Keith Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Diane Sands, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Bryce Bennett (D)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald (D)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Noah Horan, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 60, 1/18/2019; SB 23, 1/18/2019; SB 99, 1/18/2019

Executive Action: HB 60 DO PASS

HEARING ON SB 99**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:02:10 Sen. Cary Smith (R), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 99, Revise laws related to informing on legal opt out options for vaccines.

09:02:57 Sen. Sales entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:03:26 Kaylie McBride, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

09:05:34 Corrie Meza, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

09:08:27 Jennifer Carlson, self

09:09:04 Carrie Bernard, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

09:12:05 Chellese Stamson, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

09:14:03 Cassandra Aldrich, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

09:17:16 Maria Wyrock, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

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

09:22:29 Jim Murphy, Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:22:52 Sen. Gross

09:23:19 Mr. Murphy, DPHHS

09:23:41 Sen. Sands

09:26:10 Sen. Smith

09:27:05 Sen. Sands

09:27:32 Mr. Murphy

09:27:54 Sen. Sands

09:28:16 Mr. Murphy

09:29:00 Sen. Sands

09:29:05 Mr. Murphy

09:29:43 Sen. Sands

09:29:54 Mr. Murphy

09:30:11 Sen. Sands

09:30:20 Mr. Murphy

09:30:29 Chair Regier

09:30:41 Sen. Esp

EXHIBIT(jus15a01)

09:31:23 Chair Regier

09:31:27 Sen. MacDonald

09:32:08 Mr. Murphy

Closing by Sponsor:

09:32:53 Sen. Smith

09:34:18 Sen. Sands assumed the chair.

HEARING ON SB 23**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:34:38 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SB 23, Require accommodations to employer-mandated vaccinations to be uniformly offered.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:37:25 Jennifer Carlson, self
09:38:01 Corrie Meza, Montanans for Vaccine Choice
09:40:12 Cassandra Aldrich, Montanans for Vaccine Choice
09:40:49 Robyn Mohs, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

Opponents' Testimony:

09:41:38 Devon Zander, self

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a02\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

09:45:22 Maria Wyrock, Montanans for Vaccine Choice

[EXHIBIT\(jus15a03\)](#)

09:47:13 Jim Murphy, Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:47:31 Sen. Bennett
09:48:13 Sen. Regier
09:48:35 Sen. Bennett
09:49:21 Sen. Regier
09:49:53 Sen. Gross
09:50:20 Sen. Regier
09:50:31 Chair Sands
09:51:22 Mr. Murphy, DPHHS
09:52:51 Chair Sands
09:53:11 Mr. Murphy
09:53:33 Chair Sands

Closing by Sponsor:

09:53:48 Sen. Regier

09:54:44 Sen. Regier resumed the chair.

HEARING ON HB 60**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:55:40 Rep. Edward Buttrey (R), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 60, Code Commissioner Bill.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:56:59 Todd Everts, code commissioner, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:58:36 Sen. Sands
09:59:18 Mr. Everts, LSD
09:59:40 Sen. Sands
09:59:44 Chair Regier
09:59:57 Mr. Everts
10:00:19 Chair Regier
10:00:35 Mr. Everts
10:00:58 Chair Regier
10:01:02 Mr. Everts
10:01:09 Sen. Sands
10:01:22 Mr. Everts
10:02:18 Sen. Gross
10:02:44 Mr. Everts

Closing by Sponsor:

10:03:52 Rep. Buttrey

10:04:39 Chair Regier

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 60

10:05:13 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Sands moved that **HB 60 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Fielder voted by proxy. Sen. Sales will carry the bill.

10:06:11 Sen. Sands
10:07:05 Chair Regier

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:08 AM

Noah Horan, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jus15aad.pdf](#))