

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Keith Regier, on March 12, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Keith Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Vice 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. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Scott Sales (R)

Members Absent: None

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

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 99, 3/8/2019; HB 155, 3/8/2019; HB 192, 3/8/2019; HB 173, 3/8/2019; HB 21, 3/8/2019

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

09:03:19 Rep. Frank Garner (R), HD 7, opened the hearing on HB 99, Generally revise coroner laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:03:43 Perry Johnson, Montana Public Safety Officers Standards and Training Council (POST)

09:04:50 Allen Fulton, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:05:23 Chair Regier

09:05:33 Mr. Johnson, POST

09:06:18 Chair Regier

09:06:25 Mr. Johnson

09:07:34 Sen. Sands

09:07:52 Rep. Garner

09:08:01 Mr. Johnson

09:08:35 Sen. Sands

09:08:38 Mr. Johnson

Closing by Sponsor:

09:08:50 Rep. Garner

HEARING ON HB 155**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:09:10 Rep. Casey Knudsen (R), HD 33, opened the hearing on HB 155, Generally revise Montana weapons laws.

EXHIBIT(jus50a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

09:10:30 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

09:11:08 Dave Galt, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

09:11:47 Jackie Jones, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

09:12:13 EJ Redding, self

09:12:35 SK Rossi, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana (ACLU)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:13:04 Sen. Sands

09:13:40 Rep. Knudsen

09:13:59 Sen. Sands
09:14:20 Rep. Knudsen
09:15:07 Sen. Sands
09:15:38 Ms. Rossi, ACLU
09:15:47 Sen. MacDonald
09:16:09 Mr. Bryson, MACo

Closing by Sponsor:

09:16:29 Rep. Knudsen

HEARING ON HB 192**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:17:39 Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 192, Revise laws related to privacy in communications.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:26:28 Kristine Hamill, self
09:32:39 Jackie Jones, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)
09:33:34 Kathleen Giffin, self
09:39:23 Michael Toppen, Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPIRG)
09:40:26 Kelly Armington, self
09:41:19 Carson Valcarce, self
09:42:47 Evette Smith, self
09:44:53 Ben Halverson, City of Billings

EXHIBIT(jus50a02)

09:49:29 Brenna Love, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)
09:50:27 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)
09:53:32 Jessie Luther, Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA)
09:54:30 Emma Hamill, self
09:55:04 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana (DRM)
09:55:52 Sherry Lanktree, self

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

09:56:31 SK Rossi, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana (ACLU)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:56:53 Sen. Fielder
09:57:46 Rep. Ryan
09:58:21 Sen. Fielder
09:58:54 Ms. Jones, MCAA
09:59:21 Sen. Fielder
09:59:44 Ms. Jones
10:00:50 Sen. MacDonald
10:01:32 Mr. Halverson, Billings
10:02:21 Sen. Gross

10:03:34 Mr. Halverson
10:04:36 Sen. Gross
10:04:45 Mr. Halverson
10:05:41 Chair Regier
10:06:11 Mr. Halverson
10:06:43 Sen. Sands
10:07:49 Rep. Ryan
10:08:17 Sen. Sands
10:08:37 Rep. Ryan
10:09:17 Ms. Young, MCADSV
10:09:56 Sen. Bennett
10:10:47 Rep. Ryan
10:11:28 Sen. Bennett
10:12:10 Rep. Ryan
10:12:41 Sen. Bennett
10:13:14 Mr. Halverson

Closing by Sponsor:

10:14:07 Rep. Ryan

HEARING ON HB 173

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

10:16:15 Rep. Shane Morigeau (D), HD 95, opened the hearing on HB 173, Revise consent laws for elementary or high school students in a school setting.

Proponents' Testimony:

10:21:50 Sen. Kenneth Bogner, SD 19

EXHIBIT(jus50a03)

10:22:40 Jackie Jones, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

10:23:22 Colleen Campbell, self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

10:26:20 Sen. Sands
10:27:09 Rep. Morigeau
10:29:01 Sen. Sands
10:29:19 Rep. Morigeau
10:30:11 Sen. Sands
10:30:40 Rep. Morigeau
10:31:28 Sen. Bennett
10:32:25 Rep. Morigeau
10:32:55 Chair Regier
10:33:06 Rep. Morigeau
10:34:15 Chair Regier
10:34:45 Ms. Jones, MCAA

Closing by Sponsor:

10:35:34 Rep. Morigeau

HEARING ON HB 21**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

10:38:36 Rep. Rae Peppers (D), HD 41, opened the hearing on HB 21, Establishing "Hanna's Act".

EXHIBIT(jus50a04)

Proponents' Testimony:

10:43:22 Rep. Becky Beard, HD 80

10:44:36 Jennifer Viets, Department of Justice (DOJ)

10:48:36 Susan Fenner, Montana Native Vote

EXHIBIT(jus50a05)

10:50:23 Jason Smith, Indian Affairs, Governor's Office (GOV)

10:50:41 Shelley Fyant, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation (CSKT)

10:55:42 Claire Charlo, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation (CSKT)

10:58:10 Sarah Stillsmoking, self

10:59:28 Rep. Bridget Smith, HD 31

11:00:25 Malinda Harris Limberhand, self

11:05:13 Rose Harris, self

11:08:51 Arthur Weatherwax, self

11:10:57 Cko'tsimuskimaki Beck, Indigenous Organizers

EXHIBIT(jus50a06)

11:13:14 Rep. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy, HD 42

11:24:59 Sydney Barry, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV)

11:25:23 Allen Fulton, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

11:27:41 Brenna Love, Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)

11:28:16 Garrett Lankford, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)

11:29:12 Colleen Campbell, self

EXHIBIT(jus50a07)

11:33:25 Danielle Vazquez, Montana Women Vote

11:34:13 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)

11:34:36 Clara Harris, self

11:36:31 Roberta Duckhead, self

11:42:20 Lyle Harris, self

11:43:41 Elton Harris, self

11:43:56 Zuri Moreno, American Civil Liberties Union of Montana (ACLU)

11:44:12 Alex Gray, self

11:44:31 Molly Moody, Big Sky 55+

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

11:45:35 Sen. Fielder
11:46:21 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
11:46:57 Sen. Fielder
11:47:59 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
11:50:02 Sen. Fielder
11:50:30 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
11:52:49 Sen. Gross
11:54:02 Ms. Viets, DOJ
11:55:47 Sen. Gross
11:55:55 Ms. Viets
11:56:10 Sen. Gross
11:56:33 Rep. Peppers
11:57:04 Sen. Gross
11:57:38 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy
11:58:49 Sen. Gross
11:58:57 Sen. MacDonald
11:59:08 Sen. Sands
11:59:59 Mr. Fulton, MSPOA
12:01:12 Sen. Sands
12:01:35 Mr. Fulton
12:02:20 Sen. Sands
12:03:01 Mr. Fulton
12:04:00 Sen. Sands
12:04:03 Chair Regier
12:04:16 Rep. Peppers
12:05:04 Chair Regier
12:05:15 Rep. Peppers
12:05:36 Chair Regier
12:05:43 Rep. Peppers
12:06:00 Chair Regier
12:06:25 Rep. Stewart-Peregoy

Closing by Sponsor:

12:06:57 Rep. Peppers

12:08:40 Chair Regier

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:10 PM

Noah Horan, Secretary

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EXHIBIT([jus50aad.pdf](#))