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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on April 3, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. David Howard, Chair (R)
Sen. Jen Gross, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Albert Olszewski (R)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)
Sen. Jason D. Small (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Emge, Committee Secretary
Corina Hach, 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 613, 4/1/2019; SR 51, 4/1/2019

HEARING ON HB 613

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

- 15:01:40 Rep. Sue Vinton (R), HD 56, opened the hearing on HB 613, Create exception to liquor quota system for residential senior facilities.
- 15:02:00 Sen. Gross entered the hearing.
- 15:02:55 Sen. McNally entered the hearing.
- 15:03:42 Sen. Sands entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

- 15:04:00 Nicole Jemming, executive director, The Springs Living at Whitefish
- 15:06:29 Robert Brown, resident, The Villas at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell
- 15:09:02 Philip Gurr, resident, The Villas at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell
- 15:11:02 Carla Wilton, The Villas at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell

EXHIBIT(phs69a01)

- 15:13:42 James Tutwiler, resident, Touchmark Retirement Community, Helena
- 15:17:08 Fred Thompson, resident, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell
- 15:18:26 Joe May, executive director, Touchmark Retirement Community, Helena
- 15:20:59 Shelby Thompson, resident, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell
- 15:22:22 Laura Gregory, resident, The Villas at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Immanuel Lutheran Communities (ILC), Kalispell
- 15:24:18 Brenda Connelly, director of operations, The Springs Living (TSL) at Whitefish
- 15:30:39 Janet Gurr, resident, The Villas at Buffalo Hill Terrace, Immanuel Lutheran Communities, Kalispell
- 15:33:15 Kristi Blazer, Montana Beer and Wine Distributors Association
- 15:34:38 Rose Hughes, executive director, Montana Health Care Association
- 15:35:57 Bob Olsen, Montana Hospital Association
- 15:36:50 Margaret Morgan, speaking on behalf of Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Distillers Guild

EXHIBIT(phs69a02)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

- 15:37:35 Becky Schlauch, administrator, Alcoholic Beverage Control Division, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 15:38:03 Sen. Malek
- 15:38:44 Ms. Gregory, ILC
- 15:39:34 Sen. Malek
- 15:40:34 Ms. Gregory
- 15:41:26 Sen. Hinebauch

15:41:36 Ms. Connelly, TSL
15:41:42 Sen. Hinebauch
15:41:53 Ms. Connelly
15:43:03 Sen. McNally
15:43:11 Ms. Schlauch, DOR
15:43:14 Sen. McNally
15:43:43 Ms. Schlauch
15:44:15 Sen. McNally
15:44:44 Ms. Schlauch
15:45:13 Sen. McNally
15:45:17 Ms. Schlauch
15:45:19 Sen McNally
15:45:42 Rep. Vinton
15:45:56 Chair Howard
15:46:07 Ms. Schlauch

Closing by Sponsor:

15:46:20 Rep. Vinton

15:47:21 Chair Howard turned the duties of the Chair over to Vice Chair Smith.

HEARING ON SR 51

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:47:50 Sen. David Howard (R), SD 29, opened the hearing on SR 51, Confirm Governor's appointees to Board of Behavioral Health.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:48:30 Sen. Sands
15:48:57 Sen. McNally

Closing by Sponsor:

15:49:19 Sen. Howard

15:49:35 Chair Howard resumed the position of the Chair.

Committee Business:

15:49:40 Chair Howard
15:50:03 Sen. Sands
15:50:19 Chair Howard
15:50:53 Sen. Gross
15:51:17 Chair Howard
15:51:44 Sen. McNally
15:51:49 Chair Howard

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15:52:06 Sen. Sands
15:52:15 Chair Howard
15:52:39 Cori Hach, staff attorney, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:53:13 Sen. Smith
15:53:26 Ms. Hach, LSD
15:53:29 Sen. Smith
15:53:46 Sen. Sands
15:53:56 Sen. Smith
15:54:15 Sen. Sands
15:54:37 Ms. Hach
15:54:53 Sen. Sands
15:55:00 Chair Howard
15:55:10 Sen. Sands
15:55:17 Chair Howard
15:55:23 Sen. Olszewski
15:56:07 Ms. Hach
15:56:18 Sen. Olszewski
15:56:20 Ms. Hach
15:56:30 Sen. Olszewski
15:56:50 Sen. Smith
15:57:26 Chair Howard
15:57:46 Sen. Smith
15:57:50 Sen. Sands
15:58:04 Chair Howard
15:58:11 Sen. Sands
15:58:16 Sen. McNally
15:58:29 Sen. Hinebauch
15:58:33 Sen. Keenan
15:58:38 Chair Howard
15:58:54 Sen. Gross
15:59:06 Chair Howard
15:59:12 Sen. Gross
15:59:30 Chair Howard
15:59:40 Sen. Gross
15:59:45 Chair Howard
16:00:01 Sen. Smith
16:00:07 Sen. Gross
16:00:15 Chair Howard
16:00:17 Sen. Gross
16:00:20 Ms. Hach
16:00:28 Chair Howard
16:00:30 Sen Sands
16:00:42 Chair Howard

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 PM

Julie Emge, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([phs69aad.pdf](#))