

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Steve Fitzpatrick, on April 9, 2019 at 8:30 AM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick, Chair (R)
Sen. Dee Brown, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Sue Malek, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Jason W. Ellsworth (R)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. Jason D. Small (R)
Sen. Frank Smith (D)
Sen. Gordon Vance (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 720, 4/2/2019; HB 751, 4/2/2019; HB 757, 4/2/2019

Executive Action: HB 631 - Be Concurred In As Amended
HB 385, SR 38 - Tabled

08:30:58 Chair Fitzpatrick

HEARING ON HB 720

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:31:58 Rep. Daniel Zolnikov (R), HD 45, opened the hearing on HB 720. Provide limited license for cosmetologist interns.

EXHIBIT(bus74a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

08:34:59 Olivia Davison, salon owner, Bozeman; student, Academy of Cosmetology, Bozeman

Opponents' Testimony:

08:36:14 Nicole King, manager, senior administrator, Bold Beauty Academy, Billings

08:39:21 Darlene Battaiola, licensed cosmetologist, instructor, past salon owner

EXHIBIT(bus74a02)

08:45:23 Katy Petersen, licensed cosmetologist, barber, and instructor, Bold Beauty Academy, Billings

08:46:45 Angie Printz, licensed cosmetologist, salon owner

08:48:26 Scott Boulanger, Montana Association of Beauty Schools (MABS)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:50:22 Sen. Ellsworth

08:50:52 Ms. Battaiola, self

08:53:32 Sen. Ellsworth

08:53:40 Ms. Davison, self

08:54:31 Sen. Brown

08:55:25 Ms. Davison

08:55:33 Sen. Gauthier

08:57:45 Ms. Davison

08:57:56 Sen. Boland

08:58:05 Ms. Davison

08:58:19 Sen. Smith

08:58:38 Ms. Davison

08:59:39 Sen. Ellsworth

09:01:05 Ms. Davison

09:01:49 Sen. Gauthier

09:02:11 Mr. Boulanger, MABS

09:02:41 Sen. Boland

09:03:09 Mr. Boulanger

09:05:13 Sen. Boland

09:05:59 Ms. Davison

09:06:55 Sen. Brown

09:07:30 Sen. Vuckovich

09:08:11 Rep. Zolnikov

09:10:01 Sen. Boland

09:10:23 Rep. Zolnikov
 09:10:45 Sen. Gauthier
 09:11:06 Rep. Zolnikov
 09:11:54 Sen. Brown
 09:12:03 Rep. Zolnikov
 09:12:40 Sen. Smith
 09:13:26 Ms. Davison

Closing by Sponsor:

09:13:40 Rep. Zolnikov

09:15:01 Chair Fitzpatrick

HEARING ON HB 751

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:16:15 Rep. Willis Curdy (D), HD 98, opened the hearing on HB 751. Generally revise licensure of plumbers.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:19:04 John Forkan, Montana State Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters (MSAPPF)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:20:19 Sen. Ellsworth
 09:26:11 Rep. Curdy
 09:26:25 Chair Fitzpatrick
 09:26:35 Rep. Curdy
 09:26:42 Chair Fitzpatrick
 09:28:59 Mr. Forkan, MSAPPF
 09:29:31 Chair Fitzpatrick
 09:32:48 Rep. Curdy
 09:33:27 Sen. Brown
 09:35:45 Rep. Curdy
 09:36:19 Sen. Small
 09:36:51 Rep. Curdy
 09:37:33 Sen. Ellsworth
 09:39:37 Rep. Curdy
 09:39:46 Sen. Gauthier
 09:41:11 Rep. Curdy redirect
 09:41:23 Mr. Forkan
 09:42:47 Sen. Smith
 09:44:29 Mr. Forkan

Closing by Sponsor:

09:45:13 Rep. Curdy

09:45:52 Chair Fitzpatrick

HEARING ON HB 757

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:46:30 Rep. Derek Harvey (D), HD 74, opened the hearing on HB 757. Generally revise workers' compensation laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:48:34 Eric Strauss, administrator, Employment Relations Division, Department Of Labor and Industry (DLI)

EXHIBIT(bus74a03)

09:50:19 Ethan Heverly, Montana State Fund

09:50:54 Kendall Cotton, policy advisor, Office of the Montana State Auditor, Commissioner of Securities and Insurance

09:51:11 John Iverson, Independent Insurance Agents of Montana

09:51:27 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association

EXHIBIT(bus74a04)

09:52:22 David Smith, executive director, Montana Contractors' Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:53:03 Sen. Brown

09:53:22 Mr. Strauss, DLI

Closing by Sponsor:

09:54:02 Rep. Harvey

09:54:15 Chair Fitzpatrick

Committee Business:

09:54:35 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:55:38 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division

09:56:01 Sen. Boland

09:56:19 Chair Fitzpatrick

09:56:47 Recess

10:08:36 Reconvene

Sen. Vance did not return to the hearing.

10:08:36 Chair Fitzpatrick

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 385

10:08:42 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 385 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

10:08:59 Sen. Small
10:09:13 Sen. Brown
10:09:30 Sen. Ellsworth
10:09:45 Sen. Malek
10:10:25 Sen. Boland
10:11:22 Sen. Brown

10:12:04 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Small and Sen. F. Smith voting aye. Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

10:12:57 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 385 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 631

10:13:22 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 631 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:13:30 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 631 BE AMENDED.**

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Discussion:

10:13:47 Jamison Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

10:14:09 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

10:14:21 **Motion:** Sen. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 631 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:14:34 Mr. Walker, LSD

10:15:14 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

10:15:22 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **HB 631 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 6-4 by roll call vote with Sen. D. Brown, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Gauthier and Sen. Vance voting no. Sen. Vance voted by proxy. Sen. Small will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 38

10:16:42 **Motion:** Sen. D. Brown moved that **SR 38 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

10:16:47 Chair Fitzpatrick
10:17:08 Sen. Malek
10:17:15 Chair Fitzpatrick

10:17:23 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Malek moved that **SR 38 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 9-1 by voice vote with Sen. Boland voting no. Sen. Vance voted by proxy.

Committee Business:

10:18:14 Chair Fitzpatrick
10:18:16 Sen. Ellsworth
10:18:22 Mr. Walker
10:18:51 Sen. Brown
10:19:14 Sen. Malek
10:19:35 Chair Fitzpatrick

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:19 AM

Linda Keim, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([bus74aad.pdf](#))