

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**Call to Order:** Chair Keith Regier, on April 24, 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: HJ 49, 4/19/2019; SR 57, 4/19/2019; SR 61, 4/19/2019

Executive Action: HJ 49 BE CONCURRED IN; SR 57 BE ADOPTED; SR 61 BE ADOPTED

**HEARING ON HJ 49****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:03:10 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HJ 49, Interim study of law enforcement, courts in child protective services system.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

09:05:01 Bob Leach, self  
09:09:14 Raye Newmeyer, self

09:09:26 Sen. Gross entered the hearing.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:09:51 Sen. Sands  
09:10:25 Rep. Lenz  
09:10:58 Sen. Sands  
09:12:07 Rep. Lenz  
09:13:15 Sen. Gross  
09:13:49 Rep. Lenz  
09:14:02 Sen. Gross  
09:14:43 Rep. Lenz  
09:15:26 Sen. Gross  
09:15:43 Sen. Fielder  
09:16:27 Rep. Lenz  
09:16:50 Sen. Fielder  
09:17:18 Rep. Lenz  
09:18:30 Sen. Fielder  
09:19:10 Rep. Lenz  
09:20:21 Sen. Fielder  
09:21:39 Rep. Lenz  
09:21:46 Sen. MacDonald  
09:22:37 Rep. Lenz

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:22:50 Rep. Lenz

09:23:47 Sen. Fielder assumed the Chair.

**HEARING ON SR 57****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:24:02 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SR 57, Confirm Governor's appointees to Board of Crime Control.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:25:09 Sen. Sands  
09:26:02 Sen. Regier  
09:26:40 Sen. Sands  
09:27:19 Sen. Regier  
09:27:33 Sen. Sands  
09:27:39 Chair Fielder  
09:27:57 Sen. Regier  
09:28:02 Chair Fielder  
09:28:21 Jerry Williams, Montana Police Protective Association  
09:28:29 Sen. Sands

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:28:45 Sen. Regier

**HEARING ON SR 61**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:29:09 Sen. Keith Regier (R), SD 3, opened the hearing on SR 61, Confirm Governor's appointees to Public Safety Officer Standards and Training Council.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

09:30:39 Jerry Williams, Montana Police Protective Association  
09:31:12 Mark Murphy, Montana Association of Chiefs of Police

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:31:50 Sen. Sands  
09:32:10 Sen. Regier  
09:34:29 Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
09:35:17 Sen. Gross  
09:35:37 Sen. Hinebauch

**Closing by Sponsor:**

09:35:56 Sen. Regier

09:36:20 Sen. Regier resumed the Chair.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 49**

09:36:47 **Motion:** Sen. Fielder moved that **HJ 49 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

09:36:54 Sen. Sands

09:38:45 Sen. Gross

09:39:48 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Sen. S. Sales voted by proxy. Sen. Fielder will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 57**

09:40:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Fielder moved that **SR 57 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. S. Sales voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 61**

09:41:20 **Motion:** Sen. Fielder moved that **SR 61 BE ADOPTED**.

**Discussion:**

09:41:30 Sen. Fielder

09:42:03 Jerry Williams, Montana Police Protective Association

09:42:30 Sen. Fielder

09:43:24 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. S. Sales voted by proxy.

09:43:55 Chair Regier

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:44 AM

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Noah Horan, Secretary

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**Additional Document:**

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jus84aad.pdf](#))**