

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Geraldine Custer, on January 14, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Geraldine Custer, Chair (R)
Rep. Larry Brewster, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Dave Fern (D)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Scot Kerns (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Mark Thane (D)
Rep. Kathy Whitman (R)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Cristen Friede, Committee Secretary
Toni Henneman, Legislative Branch
Leigha Bradford, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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 22, 1/5/2021
Hearing & Date Posted: HB 121, 1/6/2021

HEARING ON HB 121**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:03:06 Rep. David Bedey (R), HD 86, opened the hearing on HB121, Require elected official approval of local health board and officer actions.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:07:38 Cindy Hamilton, self
15:09:53 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
15:12:15 John Iverson, Montana Tavern Association (MTA)
15:12:56 Ray Newneyer, self
15:13:15 Robin Mohs, self

Opponents' Testimony:

15:14:17 Margaret Novak, self
15:20:40 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
15:23:19 Jennifer Preble, self
15:24:18 Henry Kriegel, Americans for Prosperity Montana
15:26:12 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
15:30:27 Eve Franklin, self
15:35:19 Matt Kelley, Association of Montana Public Health Officials (AMPHO)
15:41:27 Kristin Anderson, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
15:44:29 Emily Coyle, Montana Association of Purchasers
15:46:55 Keaton Sunchild, Montana Native Vote
15:48:28 Jane Weber, Cascade City County Board of Health
15:53:23 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)
15:55:56 Kristin Page-Nei, American Cancer Society, Cancer Action Network (ACS, CAN)
15:58:15 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source Health Plans
15:59:26 Lora Wier, Montana Public Health Association
16:01:42 Michael Biggins, self
16:03:23 Amber Sherrill, self
16:05:50 Amanda Cahill, American Heart Association; American Stroke Association (AHD) (ASA)
16:06:21 Lois Fitzpatrick, American Cancer Society, Cancer Action Network (ACS, CAN)
16:08:04 Dash Rodman, Matt Brewing Company

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

16:10:16 Rep. Trebas
16:11:34 Jane Weber, Cascade County
16:12:23 Rep. Gist
16:14:57 Rep. Bedey
16:16:47 Rep. Gist
16:17:17 Vice Chair Dunwell
16:18:13 Amber Sherrill, self
16:18:19 Vice Chair Dunwell
16:21:16 Amber Sherrill, self
16:22:23 Jane Weber, Cascade County

16:23:24 Rep. Galloway
16:28:29 Amber Sherrill, self
16:28:33 Jane Weber, Cascade County
16:29:30 Chair Custer
16:29:43 Re. Fern
16:34:00 Rep. Bedey
16:36:06 Rep. Zolnikov
16:37:19 Amber Sherrill, self
16:38:01 Rep. Galloway
16:38:45 Rep. Kerns
16:40:20 Jane Weber, Cascade County
16:41:44 Rep. Kerns
16:42:16 Chair Custer
16:43:53 Rep. Kerns
16:44:25 Jane Weber, Cascade County
16:44:56 Rep. Kerns
16:45:03 Chair Custer
16:45:18 Rep. Galloway
16:48:58 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
16:49:14 Rep. Galloway
16:49:26 Vice Chair Brewster
16:49:46 Rep. Bedey
16:49:58 Vice Chair Dunwell
16:50:22 Chair Custer
16:50:42 Rep. Kortum
16:51:31 Matt Kelley, AMPHO
16:51:59 Jane Weber, Cascade County
16:53:03 Rep. Harvey
16:53:35 Amber Sherrill, self
16:53:55 Rep. Harvey
16:54:40 Amber Sherrill, self
16:55:45 Rep. Fern
16:58:24 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
16:58:55 Rep. Kerns
17:00:43 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
17:02:23 Rep. Trebas
17:03:05 Amber Sherrill, self
17:03:41 Rep. Trebas
17:03:52 Rep. Fleming
17:04:44 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
17:05:45 Rep. Gist
17:06:51 Josh Raski, Cascade County Attorney
17:07:22 Chair Custer
17:08:09 Eric Bryson, MACo
17:09:32 Chair Custer

Closing by Sponsor:

17:09:57 Rep. Bedey

17:14:23 Recess
17:20:50 Reconvened

HEARING ON HB 22

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

17:21:16 Rep. Frank Garner (R), HD 7, opened the hearing on HB22, Allow in-kind services for easement on state land used for military facilities.

Proponents' Testimony:

17:23:02 Major General J. Peter Hronek, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

17:26:24 Rep. Galloway
17:26:40 Rep. Garner
17:26:54 Major General J. Peter Hronek, DMA
17:28:18 Rep. Kerns
17:28:43 Rep. Garner
17:29:05 Major General J. Peter Hronek, DMA
17:29:37 Rep. Kerns
17:29:50 Rep. Garner
17:30:10 Major General J. Peter Hronek, DMA

Closing by Sponsor:

17:31:06 Rep. Garner

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:31:51

Cristen Friede, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([loh09aad.pdf](#))