

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on January 19, 2021 at 08:39 AM, in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Katie Sullivan, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Sara Novak (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Kerri Seekins-Crowe (R)
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, Legislative Branch
Cara Grewell, 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 149, 1/13/2021; HB 151, 1/13/2021; HB 153, 1/13/2021

HEARING ON HB 149**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:41:26 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 149, Allow certain card transaction fees.

08:41:37 Rep. Seekins-Crowe joined the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

08:43:22 Brian Thompson, Montana Collectors Association

08:46:22 Michael Moore, Collection Bureau Services (CBS)

08:49:52 Jennifer Whipple, Collection Bureau Services (CBS)

08:52:35 Mike Holland, Centurion Services Incorporated

Opponents' Testimony:

08:53:57 Karen Smith, Montana's Credit Unions

[EXHIBIT\(buh12a01\)](#)

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

08:56:36 Rep. Gist

08:57:05 Michael Moore, CBS

08:57:22 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

08:58:20 Rep. Zolnikov

08:58:47 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

08:59:42 Rep. Gunderson

09:00:35 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

09:01:01 Rep. Gunderson

09:01:33 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

09:02:14 Rep. Fitzgerald

09:03:04 Karen Smith, Montana's Credit Unions

09:03:45 Rep. Fitzgerald

09:04:17 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

09:04:57 Rep. Fitzgerald

09:05:07 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

09:05:17 Rep. Sullivan

09:06:09 Brian Thompson, Montana Collectors Association

09:06:31 Jennifer Whipple, CBS

09:07:25 Rep. Curdy

09:07:58 Rep. Ricci

09:08:42 Rep. Olsen

09:13:22 Karen Smith, Montana's Credit Unions

09:14:22 Rep. Olsen

09:18:58 Rep. Ricci

09:19:07 Rep. Marshall

09:20:00 Brian Thompson, Montana Collectors Association

09:20:29 Chair Noland

09:20:54 Brian Thompson, Montana Collectors Association

09:21:59 Rep. Galloway

09:23:00 Brian Thompson, Montana Collectors Association

Closing by Sponsor:

09:23:15 Rep. Ricci

09:25:06 Rep. Duram assumed the Chair

09:25:07 Rep. Noland left the meeting.

09:25:17 Rep. Olsen

09:25:54 Chair Duram

09:26:03 Rep. Olsen

HEARING ON HB 151

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:26:48 Rep. Edward Buttrey (R), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 151, Generally revise service processes for professional licenses.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:28:50 Todd Younkin, Montana Department of Labor and Industry (MTDLI)

[EXHIBIT\(buh12a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

09:32:39 Colleen White, Montana Department of Labor and Industry (MTDLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:33:15 Rep. Gist

09:33:42 Todd Younkin, MTDLI

09:35:05 Rep. Olsen

09:36:58 Colleen White, MTDLI

09:38:44 Rep. Olsen

09:40:00 Colleen White, MTDLI

09:40:54 Chair Duram

09:41:00 Vice Chair Sullivan

09:41:26 Todd Younkin, MTDLI

09:41:59 Vice Chair Sullivan

09:42:15 Todd Younkin, MTDLI

09:42:38 Vice Chair Duram

09:42:53 Rep. Olsen

09:44:00 Colleen White, MTDLI

09:44:21 Rep. Olsen

09:45:32 Chair Duram

09:45:40 Colleen White, MTDLI

09:45:54 Vice Chair Sullivan

09:46:35 Colleen White, MTDLI

09:47:33 Rep. Marshall

09:47:57 Rep. Buttrey

Closing by Sponsor:

09:48:21 Rep. Buttrey

HEARING ON HB 153

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:50:16 Rep. Ross Fitzgerald (R), HD 17, opened the hearing on HB 153, Revise professional liability insurance requirements for real estate licensees.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:52:08 Dan Wagner, Montana Board of Realty Regulations

09:52:45 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realty (MAR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:57:14 Rep. Loge

09:57:29 Sam Sill, MAR

09:58:06 Rep. Loge

09:58:24 Sam Sill, MAR

09:58:50 Rep. Gist

09:59:03 Sam Sill, MAR

09:59:24 Rep. Galloway

09:59:30 Rep. Noland joined the meeting.

09:59:43 Sam Sill, MAR

10:00:16 Rep. Galloway

10:00:32 Sam Sill, MAR

10:01:00 Chair Duram

10:01:20 Dan Wagner, Montana Board of Realty Regulations

10:01:50 Chair Duram

10:02:14 Rep. Galloway

10:02:27 Sam Sill, MAR

Closing by Sponsor:

10:02:54 Rep. Fitzgerald

10:03:26 Chair Duram

10:03:50 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:04:08

Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh12aad.pdf](#))