

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Dan Bartel, on January 19, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 350 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dan Bartel, Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Lang, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Pat Flowers (D)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Caitlin Cashman, Committee Secretary
Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Branch
Molly DelCurto, Legislative Branch
Jessica Tsias, 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: Department of Administration; Governor Gianforte's Budget Recommendations on Commissioner of Political Practices and Governor's Office. Legislative Branch; Legislative Services Division; Legislative Committees & Activities; Legislative Fiscal Division; Legislative Audit Division.

08:00:35 Chair Bartel
08:00:57 Rep. Tschida left the meeting.
08:01:05 Chair Bartel
08:01:37 Rep. Ricci left the meeting.

Department of Administration

08:01:41 Katie Guenther, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
[EXHIBIT\(jgh12a01\)](#)

08:03:57 Chair Bartel
08:04:00 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:05:55 Rep. Tschida rejoined the meeting.
08:06:43 Chair Bartel
08:06:53 Chair Bartel
08:07:50 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:08:26 Chair Bartel
08:08:30 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:08:55 Chair Bartel

State Human Resources Division

08:09:22 Katie Guenther, Legislative Fiscal Division
08:14:06 Chair Bartel
08:14:46 Sen. Flowers
08:14:49 Chair Bartel
08:15:33 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:16:39 Chair Bartel
08:16:43 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:16:50 Rep. Steward Peregoy joined the meeting.
08:17:44 Chair Bartel
08:18:13 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:18:17 Chair Bartel
08:18:22 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:21:10 Chair Bartel
08:21:41 Break
08:23:18 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
08:23:22 Chair Bartel
08:23:25 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
08:23:47 Chair Bartel

08:23:49 Recess
08:34:01 Reconvene

08:34:21 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:39:31 Chair Bartel
08:39:35 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:39:40 Chair Bartel
08:39:49 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
08:39:52 Chair Bartel

08:39:58 Sen. Flowers
08:40:25 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:40:45 Sonia Powell, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
08:41:04 Chair Bartel
08:41:09 Sen. Flowers
08:41:38 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:41:43 Sen. Flowers
08:41:46 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:43:10 Chair Bartel
08:43:35 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:43:44 Chair Bartel
08:43:46 Rep. Tschida
08:43:55 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:43:59 Rep. Tschida
08:44:23 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:46:04 Rep. Tschida
08:46:25 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:48:44 Chair Bartel
08:48:49 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:48:57 Chair Bartel
08:49:03 Vice Chair Lang
08:49:21 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:49:33 Anjenette Schafer, State Human Resources Division (SHRD)
refer to Exhibit 2 in January 18, 2021 minutes
08:50:22 Vice Chair Lang
08:50:28 Anjenette Schafer, DOA
08:50:51 Vice Chair
08:50:56 Chair Bartel
08:51:04 Anjenette Schafer, DOA
08:58:05 Chair Bartel
08:58:30 Anjenette Schafer, DOA
08:58:39 Chair Bartel
08:59:04 Anjenette Schafer, DOA
08:59:08 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:59:17 Chair Bartel
08:59:27 Katie Guenther, LFD
08:59:48 Chair Bartel
08:59:59 Katie Guenther, LFD
09:00:05 Chair Bartel
09:00:19 Sonia Powell, OBPP
09:01:04 Chair Bartel
09:01:17 Anjenette Schafer, DOA
09:02:17 Chair Bartel

Risk Management and Tort Defense

09:02:40 Katie Guenther, LFD

EXHIBIT(jgh12a02)

09:12:30 Chair Bartel

09:12:48 Brett Dahl, DOA

09:26:21 Chair Bartel
09:26:35 Sen. Flowers
09:27:30 Brett Dahl, DOA
09:29:21 Chair Bartel
09:29:38 Brett Dahl, DOA
09:29:42 Chair Bartel
09:29:47 Sonia Powell, OBPP
09:29:53 Chair Bartel

Public Comment

09:30:11 Jessica Tsias, Remote Meeting Coordinator (RMC)
09:30:28 Chair Bartel
09:30:32 Chris Puyear, Montana Independent Bankers Association
09:31:50 Rep. Ricci joined meeting.
09:32:13 Chair Bartel
09:32:27 Cary A Hegreberg, Montana Bankers Association
09:35:32 Chair Bartel
09:36:12 Sen. Flowers
09:36:39 Katie Guenther, LFD
09:37:02 Sen. Flowers
09:37:06 Chair Bartel

Commissioner of Political Practices

09:37:31 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
[EXHIBIT\(jgh12a03\)](#)

09:39:25 Chair Bartel

Legislative Branch Hearing

09:39:50 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
09:56:32 Vice Chair Lang
09:56:41 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
09:56:46 Vice Chair Lang
10:00:14 Chair Bartel
10:00:17 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
10:06:56 Chair Bartel
10:06:59 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
[EXHIBIT\(jgh12a04\)](#)

10:08:42 Chair Bartel
10:08:47 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
10:10:16 Chair Bartel
10:10:19 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
10:10:33 Chair Bartel

10:10:45 Recess

10:25:33 Reconvene

10:25:48 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
10:25:51 Chair Bartel
10:26:00 Director Susan Fox, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
10:33:32 Chair Bartel
10:34:02 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:36:03 Chair Bartel
10:36:09 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:36:13 Chair Bartel
10:36:27 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:36:56 Chair Bartel
10:36:59 Vice Chair Lang
10:37:17 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:37:24 Chair Bartel
10:37:30 Rep. Ricci
10:37:45 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:39:01 Rep. Ricci
10:39:07 Chair Bartel
10:39:10 Vice Chair Lang
10:39:50 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:41:33 Vice Chair Lang
10:41:36 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:41:46 Chair Bartel
10:42:01 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:42:15 Chair Bartel
10:42:17 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:42:42 Chair Bartel
10:43:11 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:45:31 Chair Bartel
10:45:33 Sen. Kary
10:46:11 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:47:58 Sen. Kary
10:48:02 Chair Bartel
10:48:14 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:50:04 Chair Bartel
10:50:08 Vice Chair Lang
10:50:38 Director Susan Fox, LSD
10:51:03 Chair Bartel
10:51:14 Director Amy Carlson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
10:55:54 Chair Bartel
10:56:03 Rep. Tschida
10:57:02 Director Carlson, LFD
10:58:23 Rep. Tschida
11:00:52 Director Carlson, LFD
11:01:42 Rep. Stewart Peregoy
11:02:38 Director Carlson, LFD
11:04:22 Rep. Stewart Peregoy
11:04:29 Chair Bartel

11:06:25 Director Carlson, LFD
11:06:31 Chair Bartel
11:06:41 Director Angus Maciver, Legislative Audit Division (LAD)
11:06:54 Chair Bartel
11:07:04 Director Maciver, LAD

[EXHIBIT\(jgh12a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jgh12a06\)](#)

11:07:30 Chair Bartel
11:07:32 Director Maciver, LAD
11:36:04 Sen. Kary left the meeting.
11:38:27 Chair Bartel
11:38:48 Director Maciver, LAD
11:38:54 Chair Bartel
11:39:04 Sonia Powell, OBPP
11:39:09 Chair Bartel
11:39:20 Jessica Tsias, RMC
11:39:33 Chair Bartel
11:40:07 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
11:40:40 Chair Bartel
11:40:44 Kris Wilkinson, LFD
11:41:04 Chair Bartel

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:41:13

Caitlin Cashman, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jgh12aad.pdf](#))