

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Vice Chair Holmlund assumes role of Chair, on January 26, 2021 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Llew Jones, Chair (R)
Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Matt Regier, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Brad Tschida, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. David Bedey (R)
Rep. John Fuller (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Jerry Schillinger (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Sue Vinton

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jamie Bonilla, Committee Secretary
Joe Triem, Legislative Services Division
Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division
Anthony Nuno, 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 92, 1/22/2021; HB 66, 1/22/2021

HEARING ON HB 66

14:07:01 Chairman Jones removes himself as Chairman for Hearing on HB 92 due to potential conflicts

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

14:08:19 Rep. Terry Moore (R), HD 54, opened the hearing on HB 66, Reauthorize Securities Restitution Fund.

Proponents:

14:09:21 Jackie Jones, Montana Securities and Interest Office (MSIO)

Opponents: None

Informational Testimony:

14:13:35 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

14:14:02 Rep. Moore

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 66

Motion/Vote: Rep. Moore moved that **HB 66 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 92

14:15:46 Vice Chair Holmlund assumee role of chair

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

14:15:57 Rep. Kathy Kelker D), HD 47, opened the hearing on HB 92, Establish compensation program for wrongfully convicted individuals.

[**EXHIBIT\(aph17a01\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(aph17a02\)**](#)

14:24:47 Chair Holmlund

Proponents:

14:25:14 Patrick Webb, Americans for Prosperity Montana (APM)

14:26:43 Chair Holmlund

14:26:56 Janae Weber, Self

14:28:16 Chair Holmlund

14:28:32 Amy Sings In The Timber, Montana Innocence Project (MIP)

[**EXHIBIT\(aph17a03\)**](#)

14:30:30 Chair Holmlund

Opponents:

14:31:06 Brett Dahl, Department of Administration, (DOA)

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

14:36:36 Rep. Mercer
14:37:27 Rep. Jones
14:38:18 Rep. Mercer
14:38:40 Rep. Jones
14:39:33 Rep. Bedey
14:40:29 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:42:05 Rep. Bedey
14:43:01 Chair Holmlund
14:43:02 Rep. Kelker
14:43:30 Rep. Bedey
14:43:47 Chair Holmlund
14:43:57 Vice Chair Caferro
14:44:38 Rep. Kelker
14:45:30 Rep. Caferro
14:45:54 Rep. Kelker
14:46:10 Rep. Caferro
14:46:58 Rep. Kelker
14:47:57 Rep. Caferro
14:48:19 Rep. Kelker
14:48:59 Rep. Caferro
14:49:03 Chair Holmlund
14:49:05 Rep. Mercer
14:49:32 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:50:07 Rep. Mercer
14:50:45 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:51:14 Rep. Mercer
14:51:53 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:52:18 Rep. Mercer
14:52:49 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:54:49 Rep. Mercer
14:55:50 Rep. Kelker
14:57:14 Rep. Mercer
14:57:21 Chair Holmlund
14:57:27 Rep. Hamilton
14:58:31 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:59:00 Rep. Hamilton
14:59:10 Brett Dahl, DOA
14:59:43 Rep. Hamilton
14:59:55 Brett Dahl, DOA
15:00:35 Rep. Hamilton
15:01:03 Brett Dahl, DOA
15:01:12 Rep. Keane
15:01:29 Kris Wilkerson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
15:01:38 Rep. Mercer

15:02:35 Amy Sings In The Timber, Montana Innocence Project (MIP)
15:02:53 Rep. Mercer
15:02:59 Amy Sings In The Timber, MIP
15:03:05 Rep. Mercer
15:04:33 Amy Sings In The Timber, MIP
15:04:40 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
15:05:16 Amy Sings In The Timber, MIP
15:05:53 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
15:06:16 Amy Sings In the Timber, MIP
15:08:52 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
15:09:07 Amy Sings In The Timber
15:09:27 Kris Wilkerson, LFD
15:09:52 Rep. Keane
15:10:01 Chair Holmlund

Closing by Sponsor:

15:10:32 Rep. Kelker

Committee Business

15:12:07 Chair Holmlund

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:12:25

Jamie Bonilla, Secretary

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph17aad.pdf](#))