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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPS SUBCOM ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

Call to Order: Chair Bill Mercer, on January 26, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 317A Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bill Mercer, Chair (R)
Sen. David Howard, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Excused: February 2, 2021

Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Cristen Friede, Committee Secretary
Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Fiscal Division
Jacquie Simmons, 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: Probations and Parole Division, Public Service Commission

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08:06:38 Chair Mercer
08:06:49 Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
08:07:02 Cynthia Wolken, Department of Corrections (DOC)
08:07:43 Kevin Olson, Probation and Parole Division (PPD)
[EXHIBIT\(jch17a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jch17a02\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jch17a03\)](#)

08:36:08 Chair Mercer
[EXHIBIT\(jch17a04\)](#)

08:36:17 Kevin Olson, PPD
08:36:56 Kim Lahiff, Probation and Parole Division, PPD
08:53:35 Chair Mercer
08:53:44 Kim Lahiff, PPD
08:55:52 Chair Mercer
08:55:57 Kevin Olsen, PPD
08:57:01 Chair Mercer
08:57:05 Kim Lahiff, PPD
08:58:23 Chair Mercer
08:58:28 Rep. Patelis joins the meeting
08:58:41 Marci Lewandowski, LFD
09:03:09 Chair Mercer
09:03:19 Christine Hultin, Office of Budget Program Planning (OBPP)
09:03:26 Chair Mercer
09:03:50 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:04:12 Kevin Olsen, PPD
09:05:01 Chair Mercer
09:05:19 Rep, Kerr-Carpenter
09:05:36 Kevin Olson, PPD
09:06:07 Rep. Patelis
09:08:45 Brian Gootkin, Department of Corrections (DOC)
09:22:17 Kevin Olson, PPD
09:22:48 Sen. Lynch
09:50:01 Kevin Olson, PPD
09:51:11 Sen. Lynch
Reference Exhibit 1, January 25, 2021
09:52:27 Sen. Lynch
09:53:14 Megan Koy, Montana Board of Pardons and Parole (MBPP)
09:53:49 Sen. Lynch
09:54:09 Cynthia Wolken, DOC
09:54:37 Sen. Lynch
09:55:15 Megan Coy, MBPP
09:55:45 Sen. Lynch
09:56:00 Chair Mercer
09:56:54 Vice Chair Howard

09:57:02 Recess
10:10:22 Reconvened

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10:20:56 Kevin Olson, PPD
10:21:38 Chair Mercer
10:22:51 Sen. Lynch
10:23:40 Kevin Olson, PPD
10:24:34 Chair Mercer
10:50:32 Kevin Olson, PPD
10:52:04 Chair Mercer
10:52:33 Sen. Lynch
10:54:25 Chair Mercer
10:54:34 Sen. Lynch
10:54:51 Chair Mercer
10:56:20 Kevin Olson, PPD
10:57:55 Chair Mercer
11:02:07 Commissioner James Brown, Public Service Commission (PSC)

EXHIBIT(jch17a05)

11:08:46 Chair Mercer
11:10:04 Christine Hultin, BOPP
11:10:51 Chair Mercer
11:11:26 Commissioner Brown, PSC

EXHIBIT(jch17a06)

11:11:48 Chair Mercer
11:11:54 Jennifer Fielder, Public Service Commission (PSC)
11:20:31 Chair Mercer
11:21:03 Sen. Lynch
11:21:31 Jennifer Fielder, PSC
11:23:23 Christine Hultin, BOPP
11:25:19 Jennifer Fielder, PSC
11:26:03 Commissioner Brown, PSC
11:26:07 Jennifer Fielder, PSC
11:40:36 Chair Mercer
11:40:59 Sen. Lynch
11:41:13 Jennifer Fielder, PSC
11:42:51 Chair Mercer
11:43:20 Commissioner Brown, PSC
11:43:58 Chair Mercer

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:45:53

Cristen Friede, Secretary

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