

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on February 10, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Alice Buckley (D)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Jane Gillette (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Ed Hill (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Mallerie Stromswold (R)
Rep. Danny Tenenbaum (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jasmine Hart, Committee Secretary
Stephan Licitra, Remote Meetings Coordinator
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

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 276, 2/10/2021

15:01:00 Chair Lenz
15:01:10 Rep. Welch joined the meeting.
15:02:23 Rep. Buttrey joined the meeting.

15:02:24 Brief Recess
15:06:54 Reconvened with Rep. Carlson present.

HEARING ON HB 276

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:07:24 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 276, Put peer support specialists on the board of behavioral health.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:09:21 Erica Durham, Extraordinary Distances; Side Step Recovery
15:13:30 William Deavel, Montana's Peer Network
15:14:09 Colleen Rahn, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI Montana)
15:15:18 Shyla Patera, North Central Independent Living Services, Inc. (NCILS)

EXHIBIT(huh28a01)

15:15:34 Rep. C. Hinkle joined the meeting.
15:17:09 Michael Accardi, self

EXHIBIT(huh28a02)

15:18:44 Joel Peden, Montana Association of Centers for Independent Living (MTCIL)
15:21:21 Pat Noonan, Behavioral Health Alliance of Montana (BHAM)
15:21:55 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
15:24:04 Amanda Walton, self

EXHIBIT(huh28a03)

15:26:10 Michelle Lewis, self
15:30:44 Ashley McLean, self
15:33:46 Kristie Black, self

EXHIBIT(huh28a04)

15:35:52 Laurie Pope, self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:37:43 Rep. Hill
15:39:22 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
15:39:42 Erica Durham, Extraordinary Distances; Side Step Recovery
15:41:00 Rep. Kelker
15:44:14 Erica Durham, Extraordinary Distances; Side Step Recovery
15:48:52 Rep. Gillette
15:49:50 Rep. Buttrey
15:50:20 Rep. Kelker

15:50:42 Rep. Buttrey
15:51:04 Chair Lenz
15:51:12 Rep. Gillette
15:51:37 Rep. Buttrey
15:52:16 Chair Lenz
15:52:33 Rep. Caferro
15:53:00 Rep. Kelker
15:53:27 Chair Lenz
15:54:03 Vice Chair Sheldon-Galloway
15:55:43 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:56:07 Chair Lenz
15:56:27 Rep. Buttrey
15:56:58 Rep. Kelker
15:58:31 Beth Breneman, Disability Rights Montana
15:59:20 Chair Lenz

Closing by Sponsor:

15:59:33 Rep. Caferro

16:01:32 Chair Lenz
16:02:11 Rep. Frazer

ADJOURNMENT

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16:03:21

Jasmine Hart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh28aad.pdf](#))