

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Matt Regier, on February 11, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Sen. Carl Glimm (R)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)

Members Excuse:

Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Brooke Sangray, Committee Secretary
Josh Poulette, Legislative Branch
Jon Arnold, Legislative Branch
Ariel Hammerquist, 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 and Public Testimony: Early Childhood & Family Support Division

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08:01:41 Chair Regier
08:01:57 Jamie Palagi, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh29a01\)](#)

08:11:50 Ariel Hammerquist, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh29a02\)](#)

08:14:41 Chair Regier
08:15:59 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:17:38 Sen. Keenan
08:20:18 Laura Smith, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
08:20:32 Director Adam Meier, Department of Public Health and Human Services
(DPHHS)
08:21:48 Sen. Keenan
08:22:11 Laura Smith, DPHHS
08:23:28 Sen. Keenan
08:29:46 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:31:17 Rep. Garner
08:32:05 Ariel Hammerquist, LFD
08:33:39 Rep. Garner
08:34:18 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:34:29 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
08:38:45 Rep. Garner
08:39:22 Laura Smith, DPHHS
08:40:21 Rep. Garner
08:41:27 Director Meier, DPHHS
08:42:50 Rep. Garner
08:44:05 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
08:44:45 Sen. Glimm
08:45:23 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:46:07 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
08:47:11 Sen. Glimm
08:49:10 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:49:36 Sen. McNally
08:50:52 Ariel Hammerquist, LFD
08:51:26 Sen. McNally
08:51:34 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:52:49 Chair Regier
08:56:53 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
08:57:04 Sen. Keenan
09:17:08 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
09:17:49 Chair Regier
09:18:06 Jamie Palagi, DPHHS
09:26:50 Sen. Keenan

Public Testimony

09:28:08 Jackie Mohler, Montana Association of Community Disability Services (MACDS)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh29a03\)](#)

09:33:01 Nanette Gilbertson, Montana Advocates for Children (MAC)
09:37:57 Drenda Niemann, Association of Montana Public Health Officials (AMPHO)
09:41:14 Brandi Thomas, Child Care Connections
09:43:28 Laura Gill, self
09:45:56 Brie MacLaurin, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies (HMHB)
09:48:55 Lindsay Lalonde, self
09:50:57 Carly Wheatley, Snowy Mountain Development Corporation (SMDC)
EXHIBIT(jhh29a04)

09:54:00 Patrick Maddison, Montana Association of Community Disability Services
(MACDS)
09:55:49 Meghan Ballenger, Montana Child Care Resource and Referral Network
09:58:54 Renee August, Montana Child Care Resource and Referral Network
10:01:44 Katlynn Bodner, Northern Montana Child Development Center
10:04:02 Janet Jolley, Salish Kootenai College Early Learning Center
10:08:40 Chair Regier
10:09:51 Sen. McNally
10:09:55 Josh Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
10:10:15 Chair Regier
10:10:31 Sen. Keenan
10:11:47 Laura Smith, DPHHS

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:12:05

Brooke Sangray, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jhh29aad.pdf](#))