

**MINUTES  
MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Llew Jones, on February 16, 2021 at 2:45 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. Dan Bartel (R)  
Rep. David Bedey (R)  
Rep. John Fuller (R)  
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)  
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)  
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)  
Rep. Terry Moore (R)  
Rep. Fiona Nave (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. Matt Regier, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Brad Tschida, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Frank Garner (R)  
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)  
Rep. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)  
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)  
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Jamie Bonilla, Committee Secretary  
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: SB 110, 2/15/2021

Executive Action: SB 110, HB 373, HB 374, HB 49, HB 72, HB 146 and HB 330

**HEARING ON SB 110****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

14:49:58 Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R), SD 15, opened the hearing on SB 110, Revise state employee and U-system health plan laws for temp state share holiday.

**Proponents:**

14:51:05 Amy Sassano, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

**Opponents:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

14:53:00 Shauna Lyons, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

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

**Closing by Sponsor:**

14:53:29 Sen. Osmundson

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 110**

14:53:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **SB 110 DO PASS**. Motion carried 22-2 by voice vote with Rep. Caferro and Rep. Kerr-Carpenter voting no. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Garner, Rep. Keane, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Patelis, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 373**

14:55:42 Chair Jones

14:56:06 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 373 DO PASS**.

14:57:41 Rep. Keane joined the meeting.

14:58:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 373 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Garner, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Patelis, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Schillinger, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(aph32a01)**

14:59:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 373 as Amended Be Postponed** pending a fiscal note. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 374**

15:00:05 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 374 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

15:00:30 Rep. Holmlund

15:01:30 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Jones moved that **HB 374 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Garner, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Patelis, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Schillinger, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(aph32a02)**

15:02:08 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bedey moved that **HB 374 as Amended Be Postponed** pending a fiscal note. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 49**

15:02:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 49 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Caferro, Rep. Garner, Rep. Holmlund and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 72**

15:03:50 **Motion:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 72 DO PASS**.

15:04:10 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Moore moved that **HB 72 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Mercer, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXHIBIT(aph32a03)**

15:06:13 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 72 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 17-7 by voice vote with Rep. Bartel, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Read, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voting no. Rep. Garner, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Mercer, Rep. Tschida and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 139**

15:11:08 **Motion:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 139 DO PASS**.

**Discussion:**

15:08:49 Rep. Tschida

15:10:13 Rep. Hopkins

15:10:46 Rep. Bartell

15:11:55 **Vote:** Motion carried 20-4 by voice vote with Rep. Caferro, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Garner, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Schillinger and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 146**

15:13:42 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 146 DO PASS**. Motion carried 23-0 by voice vote. Rep. Holmlund voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 330**

15:14:47 **Motion:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 330 DO PASS.**

15:15:03 **Motion:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 330 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(aph32a04)**

**Discussion:**

15:15:20 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

15:15:38 Julie Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

15:17:02 Rep. Caferro

15:17:22 Julie Johnson, LFD

15:17:30 Chair Jones

15:18:32 Rep. Regier

15:20:28 Julie Johnson, LFD

15:20:29 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.

15:20:51 Rep. Mercer joined the meeting.

15:21:42 Chair Jones

15:21:25 Rep. Bartel

15:21:35 Chair Jones

15:22:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Schillinger and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

15:23:47 Rep. Mercer

15:24:05 Julie Johnson, LFD

15:24:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hopkins moved that **HB 330 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**  
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Holmlund, Rep. Schillinger and Rep. Vinton voted by proxy.

15:25:02 Chair Jones

15:25:30 Rep. Tschida

15:26:21 Chair Jones

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 15:26:33

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Jamie Bonilla, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([aph32aad.pdf](#))