

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair David Bedey, on February 19, 2021 at 8:35 AM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. David Bedey, Chair (R)
Sen. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Rep. John Fuller (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jasmine Hart, Committee Secretary
Anthony Nuno, Remote Meetings Coordinator
Katie Guenther, Legislative Branch
Julia Pattin, 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:

Executive Action on: Montana State Library; Commissioner of Higher Education; Office of
Public Instruction

08:35:00 Chair Bedey

[EXHIBIT\(jeh35a01\)](#)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON MONTANA STATE LIBRARY

08:36:05 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE COMMITTEE RECONSIDER ITS ACTION FROM FEBRUARY 15 ON DP 15 FOR THE STATEWIDE LIBRARY RESOURCES PROGRAM OF THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:36:27 Chair Bedey

08:36:59 Katie Guenther, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

08:37:38 Chair Bedey

08:37:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:37:58 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 20 FOR THE STATEWIDE RESOURCES PROGRAM OF THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:38:11 Katie Guenther, LFD

08:38:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:38:42 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 18 FOR THE STATEWIDE RESOURCES PROGRAM OF THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:38:53 Chair Bedey

08:39:58 Nancy Hall, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

08:40:40 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:40:51 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 19 FOR THE STATEWIDE RESOURCES PROGRAM OF THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:41:07 Chair Bedey

08:41:50 Nancy Hall, OBPP

08:42:07 Chair Bedey

08:42:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:42:24 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE LANGUAGE ASSOCIATED WITH DP 19 IN THE STATEWIDE LIBRARY RESOURCES PROGRAM FOR THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY BE ADOPTED.**

08:42:46 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:43:08 Rep. Windy Boy
08:43:30 Chair Bedey
08:43:43 Rep. Windy Boy
08:43:47 Rep. Jones
08:45:01 Chair Bedey
08:45:23 Rep. Keogh
08:45:36 Chair Bedey

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

08:46:03 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 103 FOR THE ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:46:27 Chair Bedey
08:46:44 Sen. Morigeau
08:47:13 Chair Bedey

08:47:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:48:06 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 104 FOR THE ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:48:18 Chair Bedey
08:49:01 Rep. Keogh
08:49:53 Chair Bedey
08:50:37 Brock Tessman, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)
08:52:24 Rep. Keogh
08:53:21 Brock Tessman, OCHE

08:54:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

08:55:22 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 220 AND DP 221 FOR THE STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

08:55:40 Chair Bedey
08:55:58 Sen. Morigeau
08:56:38 Rep. Keogh
08:57:15 Rep. Windy Boy

08:58:44 Chair Bedey
08:59:15 Rep. Windy Boy
08:59:37 Rep. Fuller
08:59:48 Chair Bedey
09:00:10 Commissioner Clayton Christian, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)
09:00:27 Rep. Fuller
09:01:04 Sen. Bogner
09:01:59 Tyler Trevor, Office of Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)
09:02:54 Chair Bedey
09:03:08 Sen. Morigeau
09:03:59 Rep. Fuller
09:05:16 Sen. Morigeau

09:05:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Bogner and Rep. Fuller voting no.

09:06:38 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 221 FOR THE GUARANTEED STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION BE ADOPTED.**

09:07:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:07:46 Brief Recess
09:13:39 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

09:13:47 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 623 FOR THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:14:00 Chair Bedey
09:15:12 Rep. Fuller

09:15:48 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:15:57 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 624 FOR THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:16:09 Chair Bedey
09:17:21 Rep. Windy Boy
09:18:45 Rep. Fuller
09:20:04 Rep. Windy Boy
09:21:40 Sen. Morigeau
09:22:58 Nancy Hall, OBPP

09:23:36 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-1 by voice vote with Rep. Fuller voting no.

09:24:00 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 932 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:24:18 Chair Bedey
09:25:26 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:25:45 Julia Pattin, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
09:27:23 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:27:47 Paul Taylor, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
09:29:40 Julia Pattin, LFD
09:31:36 Paul Taylor, OPI
09:32:21 Nancy Hall, OBPP
09:33:08 Chair Bedey

09:33:22 Without objection, Sen. Salomon withdrew the motion.

Discussion:

09:33:25 Chair Bedey

09:34:13 Brief Recess
09:43:09 Reconvened

09:43:12 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 932 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:43:36 Chair Bedey
09:44:03 Rep. Keogh

09:47:43 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:48:04 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 949 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:48:17 Chair Bedey

09:49:31 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:49:41 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 950 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:49:54 Chair Bedey

09:50:31 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

09:50:41 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 948 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND IT BE DESIGNATED AS RESTRICTED, OTO, AND BIENNIAL BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

09:50:56 Chair Bedey

09:51:31 Julia Pattin, LFD

09:52:05 Nancy Hall, OBPP

09:52:50 Rep. Windy Boy

09:53:23 Chair Bedey

09:53:31 Rep. Windy Boy

09:53:48 Nancy Hall, OBPP

09:54:16 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Bogner and Rep. Fuller voting no.

09:54:45 Chair Bedey

09:56:17 Rep. Windy Boy

09:57:08 **Motion:** Rep. Windy Boy moved that **DP 623 FOR THE PRE K PILOT PROGRAM OF THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE RECONSIDERED.**

Discussion:

09:57:11 Chair Bedey

09:57:34 Rep. Jones

09:57:53 Chair Bedey

09:58:17 Sen. Morigeau

10:00:18 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-1 by voice vote with Rep. Fuller voting no.

10:00:38 **Motion:** Rep. Windy Boy moved that **DP 623 FOR THE PRE K PILOT PROGRAM OF THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

10:00:46 Ken Bailey, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

10:01:12 Chair Bedey

10:01:28 Julia Pattin, LFD

10:01:51 Chair Bedey

10:02:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Rep. Fuller and Rep. Keogh voting no.

10:02:47 Chair Bedey
10:03:03 Julia Pattin, LFD

10:03:14 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **DP 921 FOR THE LOCAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

10:03:33 Chair Bedey
10:03:50 Rep. Jones

10:04:32 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:04:42 Chair Bedey
10:05:13 Rep. Windy Boy

10:06:00 **Motion:** Rep. Windy Boy moved that **DP 620 FOR THE STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

10:06:31 Rep. Windy Boy
10:06:57 Chair Bedey
10:08:13 Rep. Windy Boy
10:08:41 Vice Chair Salomon
10:08:53 Chair Bedey

10:10:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with Sen. Bogner and Rep. Fuller voting no.

10:10:45 Julia Pattin, LFD
10:11:25 Chair Bedey

10:11:40 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE LANGUAGE FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHOWN ON PAGE 2 OF THE SECTION E SUBSEQUENT ACTION DOCUMENT EXCEPT FOR LANGUAGE CONCERNING THE COMPANION BILL ON THE LAST LINE ON PAGE 2 BE ADOPTED.**

10:12:07 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:12:17 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE LANGUAGE FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHOWN ON PAGE 2 ON THE LAST LINE OF THE SECTION E SUBSEQUENT ACTION DOCUMENT ABOUT THE COMPANION BILL BE ADOPTED.**

10:12:35 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:12:42 **Motion:** Sen. Salomon moved that **THE LINE ITEMS IN THE LOCAL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AS LISTED IN THE HB 2 DISTRIBUTION TO SCHOOLS LINE ITEMS FOR THE 2023 BIENNIUM BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

10:13:04 Chair Bedey

[EXHIBIT\(jeh35a02\)](#)

10:13:15 Nancy Hall, OBPP

10:13:18 Julia Pattin, LFD

10:13:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

10:13:58 Chair Bedey

10:14:09 Julia Pattin, LFD

10:14:20 Chair Bedey

10:14:24 Katie Guenther, LFD

10:14:32 Chair Bedey

10:17:30 Superintendent Elsie Arntzen, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

10:20:22 Chair Bedey

10:20:41 Rep. Windy Boy

10:21:29 Superintendent Arntzen, OPI

10:21:52 Chair Bedey

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:
10:22:50

Jasmine Hart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jeh35aad.pdf](#))