

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on March 17, 2021 at 08:30 AM, in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mark Noland, Chair (R)
Rep. Edward Buttrey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Katie Sullivan, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Sara Novak (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Kerri Seekins-Crowe (R)
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, Legislative Branch
Monte Cole, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 217, 3/11/2021; SB 239, 3/11/2021; SB 301, 3/11/2021; SB 367, 3/11/2021

Executive Action: SB 207, SB 247

HEARING ON SB 217

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:31:14 Sen. Jason Small (R), SD 21, opened the hearing on SB 217, Revise laws relating to psychiatric collaborative care.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:33:36 Jon Metropoulos, Montana Psychiatric Association (MPA)
08:34:36 John Doran, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT)
08:36:09 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Academy of Physicians Assistants (MTAPA)
08:37:25 Colleen Rahn, National Alliance on Mental Illness of Montana (NAMI)
08:38:04 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
08:40:46 Jennifer Hensley, Pacific Source Health Plans
08:41:52 Dr. Ellen Bluett, self
08:45:11 Dr. Michele McKinnie, Montana Psychologist Association (MPA)
08:46:43 Tim Clement, American Psychiatric Association (APA)
08:47:13 Lennard Lantz, self
08:48:46 Bruce Spencer, Mountain Health Co-op

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

08:50:20 Sen. Small

HEARING ON SB 239

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

08:52:28 Sen. Mary McNally (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 239, Uniform Directed Trust Act.

Proponents' Testimony:

08:55:06 Ed Eck, Uniform Directed Trust Act
09:01:01 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:12:15 Keith Tokerud, The State Bar of Montana

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Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:14:35 Rep. Duram
09:15:27 Sen. McNally
09:16:36 Rep. Galloway
09:18:51 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:19:32 Rep. Gist

09:20:10 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:22:44 Rep. Curdy
09:23:16 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:25:07 Rep. Novak
09:26:06 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:27:34 Rep. Marshall
09:27:42 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:27:52 Rep. Galloway
09:28:07 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:29:41 Chair Noland
09:30:19 David Dietrich, The State Bar of Montana
09:32:04 Ed Eck, Uniform Directed Trust Act
09:33:57 Chair Noland

Closing by Sponsor:

09:34:28 Sen. McNally

HEARING ON SB 301

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:35:44 Sen. Theresa Manzella (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 301, Provide statewide uniformity regarding wages/benefits for political subdivisions.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:39:27 Rep. Galloway
09:40:18 Sen. Manzella
09:40:55 Rep. Gist
09:41:21 Sen. Manzella
09:41:42 Rep. Curdy
09:41:56 Sen. Manzella
09:42:07 Chair Noland

Closing by Sponsor:

09:42:21 Sen. Manzella

HEARING ON SB 367

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

09:43:21 Sen. Shane Morigeau (D), SD 48, opened the hearing on SB 367, Generally revise labor laws relating to independent contractor certification.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:52:06 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association (MBIA)
09:53:56 Steve Wade, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

Opponents' Testimony:

09:56:09 Adam Haight, Montana American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
09:58:11 Dereck Hitt, Montana Carpenters Local 82

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

09:59:57 Vice Chair Sullivan
10:00:53 Adam Haight, AFL-CIO
10:01:05 Rep. Galloway
10:01:40 Sen. Morigeau
10:02:57 Rep. Novak
10:03:14 Sen. Morigeau
10:03:25 Chair Noland

Closing by Sponsor:

10:03:49 Sen. Morigeau

10:07:15 Chair Noland
10:08:10 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
10:09:02 Chair Noland
10:09:15 Vice Chair Sullivan

10:09:39 Recess
10:37:37 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 207

10:37:38 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 207 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

10:38:07 Chair Noland
10:39:25 Rep. Whiteman Pena

10:40:04 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-16 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Buttrey, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye. Rep. Abbott and Rep. Gunderson voted by proxy.

10:41:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 207 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Abbott and Rep. Gunderson voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 247

10:41:24 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 247 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried 17-3 by voice vote with Rep. Duram, Rep. Noland and Rep. Whiteman Pena voting no. Rep. Abbott and Rep. Gunderson voted by proxy. Rep. Zolnikov will carry the bill.

10:42:40 Chair Noland
10:44:16 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
10:45:43 Rep. Funk
10:46:19 Rep. Loge
10:46:55 Chair Noland
10:47:49 Rep. Whiteman Pena
10:48:10 Jameson Walker, LSD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:48:56

Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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