

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

Call to Order: Chair Matt Regier, on March 17, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Carl Glimm, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Rep. Terry Moore (R)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Sen. David Howard (R)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Brooke Sangray, Committee Secretary
Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Branch
Cara Grewell, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Josh Poulette, 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 & Date Posted: HB 632, 3/17/2021

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08:07:00 Chair Regier
08:07:14 Sen. Osmundson left the meeting
08:07:22 Sen. Glimm left the meeting
08:08:18 Director Adam Schafer, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
08:08:49 Chair Regier
08:09:06 Director Schafer, COM
[EXHIBIT\(jhh53a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh53a02\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh53a03\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(jhh53a04\)](#)

08:11:42 Carolyn Jones, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
08:16:27 Chair Regier
08:16:41 Director Schafter, COM
08:16:44 Chair Regier
08:17:13 Carolyn Jones, COM
08:19:27 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
08:19:34 Chair Regier left the meeting
08:19:41 Vice Chair Keenan assumed the chair
08:19:50 Carolyn Jones, COM
08:22:33 Rep. Nave
08:23:32 Carolyn Jones, COM
08:24:30 Chair Regier joined the meeting
08:24:49 Vice Chair Keenan yielded the chair
08:25:04 Rep. Garner
08:29:28 Carolyn Jones, COM
08:30:25 Chair Regier
08:40:50 Wayne Johnston, Business Assistance Bureau of the Department of Commerce (COM)
08:44:39 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
08:45:08 Wayne Johnston, COM
08:45:22 Rep. Garner
08:46:22 Wayne Johnston, COM
08:47:05 Anna Marie Moe, Montana Office of Tourism and Business of the Department of Commerce (COM)
08:49:29 Rep. Garner
08:49:42 Anna Marie Moe, COM
08:51:10 Chair Regier
08:51:27 Cheryl Cohen, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
08:54:51 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
08:57:18 Cheryl Cohen, COM
08:57:39 Rep. Moore
08:58:11 Cheryl Cohen, COM
08:58:50 Chair Regier
09:00:52 Cheryl Cohen, COM
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09:01:59 Chair Regier
09:03:12 Cheryl Cohen, COM

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09:03:44 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:08:10 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:08:53 Rep. Garner
09:09:27 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:09:45 Chair Regier
09:15:17 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:15:36 Rep. Garner
09:17:13 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:17:21 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:19:51 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:20:23 Rep. Moore
09:20:43 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:21:09 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:21:26 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:24:46 Rep. Garner
09:26:28 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:26:48 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:29:52 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:30:13 Chair Regier
09:30:17 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:30:35 Chair Regier
09:30:45 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:31:50 Chair Regier
09:31:59 admin
09:32:14 Molly DelCurto, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
09:32:36 Chair Regier
09:32:45 Cheryl Cohen, COM
09:33:47 Chair Regier

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09:35:10 Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
09:35:28 Chair Regier
09:35:33 Cara Grewell, Remote Meeting Coordinator (RMC)
09:36:15 Chair Regier
09:36:28 Duane Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)
09:39:42 Chair Regier
09:40:14 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
09:40:35 Marie Matthews, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
09:42:17 Chair Regier
09:42:28 Sen. McNally joined the meeting
09:42:39 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
09:43:28 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
09:44:35 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
09:44:47 Chair Regier
09:45:00 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
09:49:23 Sen. McNally
09:49:53 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
09:50:16 Chair Regier
09:51:55 Marie Matthews, DPHHS

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09:53:03 Rep. Garner
09:53:20 Marie Matthews, DPHHS
09:53:59 Chair Regier
09:57:27 Rep. Garner
09:58:05 Chair Regier
09:58:32 Josh Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
09:59:54 Rep. Nave
10:00:26 Josh Poulette, LFD
10:00:51 Rep. Garner
10:02:01 Chair Regier
10:02:57 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
10:03:03 Josh Poulette, LFD
10:03:16 Chair Regier
10:03:21 Marci Lewandowski, LFD
10:03:40 Chair Regier
10:05:42 Connie Winner, Department of Corrections (DOC)
10:05:59 Jodi Stone, Department of Corrections (DOC)
10:08:51 Rep. Nave
10:09:04 Chair Regier
10:09:10 Marci Lewandowski, LFD
10:09:28 Jim Salmonsens, Montana State Prison
10:10:05 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
10:11:31 Jim Salmonsens, Montana State Prison
10:12:02 Connie Winner, DOC
10:13:12 Chair Regier

Public Testimony

10:13:48 Joel Peden, Montana Association of Centers for Independent Living (MACIL)
10:16:19 Beth Breneman, Disability Rights Montana
10:17:32 Mark Murphy, Alternatives Pre-release Center
10:21:34 Mitch Tropila, Easterseals-Goodwill Northern Rocky Mountain Chapter

[**EXHIBIT\(jhh53a07\)**](#)

10:24:16 Chris Puyer, Montana Housing Coalition
10:25:40 Margaret Morgan, St. Johns United

[**EXHIBIT\(jhh53a08\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(jhh53a09\)**](#)

10:28:51 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
10:31:00 Rose Hughes, Montana Health Care Association (MHCA)
10:36:11 Melanie Kossan, self
10:38:54 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
(MCADSV)
10:41:01 Andrea Davis, self
10:42:57 Rep. Caferro joined the meeting
10:45:51 Cara Grewell, RMC
10:46:08 Adrienne Bombelles, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)
10:47:43 Chair Regier

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:48:29

Brooke Sangray, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jhh53aad.pdf](#))