

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on March 24, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jessica Karjala, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Alice Buckley (D)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R)
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Ed Hill (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Mallerie Stromswold (R)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)
Rep. Jane Gillette (R)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Danny Tenenbaum (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jasmine Hart, Committee Secretary
Stephan Licitra, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Alexis Sandru, 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 645, 3/24/2021; SB 250, 3/24/2021

HEARING ON HB 645**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:02:32 Rep. Scot Kerns (R), HD 23, opened the hearing on HB 645, Create psychiatric opportunity zones.

15:03:01 Rep. Gillette joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:06:26 Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI Montana)

15:07:22 Kiely Keane, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

15:08:05 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Academy of Physician Assistants (MTAPA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:09:53 Zoe Barnard, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:10:28 Rep. Kelker

15:11:03 Rep. Tenenbaum joined the meeting.

15:12:17 Rep. Kerns

15:13:11 Rep. Kelker

15:15:01 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

15:15:48 Vice Chair Karjala

15:18:50 Rep. Kerns

15:18:58 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

15:19:55 Vice Chair Karjala

15:20:13 Rep. Kerns

15:20:41 Rep. Kelker

15:21:57 Rep. Kerns

15:22:12 Rep. Dunwell

15:22:34 Matt Kuntz, NAMI Montana

15:24:07 Rep. Dunwell

15:24:31 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

15:26:58 Rep. Greef

15:27:24 Rep. Kerns

15:28:16 Rep. Carlson

15:32:55 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

15:33:51 Rep. Hill

15:34:47 Zoe Barnard, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

15:35:15 Rep. Kerns

HEARING ON SB 250**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:37:18 Sen. Jill Cohenour (D), SD 42, opened the hearing on SB 250, Require consent for sensitive health exams.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:40:39 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Academy of Physician Assistants (MTAPA)

15:41:57 Joe Cohenour, self

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15:45:36 Kiely Keane, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

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

15:47:00 Rep. Stafman

15:50:22 Kiely Keane, MMA

15:51:53 Rep. Stromswold left the meeting.

15:54:41 Sen. Cohenour

15:56:06 Rep. Hill

15:56:27 Sen. Cohenour

15:57:25 Rep. A. Regier

15:59:56 Sen. Cohenour

16:00:31 Rep. Kelker

16:02:24 Sen. Cohenour

16:04:04 Rep. Buttrey

16:07:17 Kiely Keane, MMA

16:07:55 Rep. Carlson

16:09:38 Joe Cohenour, self

16:09:46 Rep. Hill

16:11:21 Sen. Cohenour

Closing by Sponsor:

16:11:41 Sen. Cohenour

16:14:02 Chair Sheldon-Galloway

16:15:03 Rep. Carlson

16:15:05 Chair Sheldon-Galloway

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:
16:14:02

Jasmine Hart, Secretary

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