

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

**Call to Order:** Chair Mark Noland, on March 25, 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 Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)  
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)  
Rep. Sara Novak (D)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Steve Gist (R)  
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)  
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)  
Rep. Kerri Seekins-Crowe (R)  
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)  
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary  
Jameson Walker, Legislative Branch  
Monte Cole, 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:** LC 2367

**Committee Business on LC 2367****EXHIBIT(buh59a01)****Page 1-9:**

08:35:35 Chair Noland  
08:39:47 Vice Chair Sullivan  
08:39:54 Chair Noland  
08:42:40 Rep. Fitzgerald  
08:42:46 Chair Noland  
08:49:48 Vice Chair Sullivan  
08:50:58 Chair Noland  
08:51:06 Rep. Duram  
08:51:11 Vice Chair Buttrey  
08:52:29 Chair Noland  
08:52:53 Rep. Galloway  
08:53:05 Chair Noland  
08:53:33 Rep. Curdy  
08:53:44 Chair Noland  
08:54:07 Vice Chair Buttrey  
08:54:18 Chair Noland  
08:54:25 Rep. Galloway  
08:55:02 Chair Noland  
08:55:08 Rep. Marshall  
08:55:20 Chair Noland  
08:55:49 Rep. Loge joined the meeting.  
08:57:32 Rep. Galloway  
08:57:37 Vice Chair Buttrey  
08:58:03 Rep. Galloway  
08:58:12 Chair Noland  
08:58:21 Vice Chair Sullivan  
08:59:17 Rep. Duram  
08:59:53 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:00:03 Chair Noland  
09:01:03 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:01:35 Rep. Duram  
09:01:41 Chair Noland  
09:02:38 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:03:08 Chair Noland  
09:03:39 Rep. Duram  
09:03:57 Chair Noland  
09:04:49 Rep. Galloway  
09:04:55 Rep. Loge  
09:05:06 Chair Noland

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09:06:27 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:07:56 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:08:27 Chair Noland  
09:08:54 Vice Chair Sullivan

09:11:49 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:14:05 Rep. Curdy  
09:14:15 Rep. Funk  
09:14:45 Rep. Gunderson left the meeting.  
09:15:06 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:15:44 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:16:22 Chair Noland  
09:17:13 Rep. Novak  
09:18:30 Chair Noland  
09:19:16 Rep. Duram  
09:19:46 Rep. Gist joined the meeting.  
09:20:14 Chair Noland  
09:20:40 Rep. Duram  
09:20:48 Rep. Harvey  
09:21:03 Rep. Marshall  
09:21:28 Chair Noland  
09:22:02 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:22:10 Chair Noland

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09:22:22 Rep. Anderson  
09:27:18 Chair Noland  
09:28:03 Rep. Gist  
09:28:30 Chair Noland  
09:28:34 Rep. Galloway  
09:28:39 Rep. Gist  
09:28:42 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:28:55 Rep. Gist  
09:29:02 Chair Noland  
09:29:11 Rep. Duram  
09:29:28 Rep. Curdy  
09:29:41 Chair Noland  
09:29:44 Rep. Duram  
09:30:28 Rep. Galloway  
09:30:52 Chair Noland  
09:31:01 Rep. Marshall  
09:31:08 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:31:19 Rep. Anderson  
09:35:51 Rep. Galloway  
09:36:11 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:37:16 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:37:47 Chair Noland  
09:38:12 Rep. Anderson  
09:39:11 Rep. Gist  
09:40:07 Chair Noland  
09:42:07 Rep. Duram  
09:42:13 Rep. Curdy  
09:42:19 Chair Noland

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09:42:32 Rep. Curdy  
09:45:20 Chair Noland  
09:45:49 Rep. Galloway  
09:46:04 Chair Noland  
09:46:27 Rep. Curdy  
09:47:14 Rep. Loge  
09:47:36 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:47:54 Rep. Loge  
09:48:07 Chair Noland  
09:48:16 Rep. Galloway  
09:48:46 Rep. Curdy  
09:48:53 Rep. Galloway  
09:49:13 Chair Noland  
09:49:19 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
09:49:47 Rep. Curdy  
09:50:30 Rep. Seekins-Crowe joined the meeting.  
09:50:43 Chair Noland

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09:50:53 Rep. Duram  
09:51:21 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:51:37 Rep. Duram  
09:52:40 Chair Noland  
09:52:48 Rep. Duram  
09:53:53 Rep. Zolnikov joined the meeting.  
09:53:57 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:54:31 Rep. Duram  
09:56:02 Rep. Galloway  
09:57:03 Rep. Duram  
09:57:29 Vice Chair Buttrey  
09:58:01 Rep. Duram  
09:59:14 Rep. Curdy  
10:00:22 Rep. Gist  
10:00:34 Rep. Curdy  
10:01:01 Rep. Galloway  
10:01:15 Rep. Curdy  
10:01:26 Rep. Marshall  
10:01:45 Vice Chair Sullivan left the meeting.  
10:02:18 Rep. Duram

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10:02:53 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:03:55 Chair Noland  
10:04:37 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:04:49 Rep. Galloway  
10:04:56 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:05:12 Rep. Gist  
10:05:29 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:05:37 Chair Noland

10:05:40 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:06:09 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:06:58 Chair Noland  
10:08:04 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:08:09 Chair Noland  
10:08:47 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:09:31 Chair Noland  
10:09:49 Rep. Curdy  
10:10:05 Chair Noland  
10:10:13 Rep. Galloway  
10:10:29 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:10:39 Chair Noland  
10:11:11 Rep. Curdy left the meeting.  
10:11:18 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:11:25 Rep. Gunderson joined the meeting.  
10:11:37 Rep. Galloway  
10:11:50 Chair Noland  
10:11:55 Rep. Galloway  
10:12:02 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:12:23 Chair Noland left the meeting and Vice Chair Buttrey assumed the Chair.  
10:14:35 Rep. Galloway  
10:14:59 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:15:59 Rep. Curdy  
10:16:32 Chair Buttrey  
10:17:03 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:17:11 Chair Buttrey  
10:17:20 Rep. Curdy  
10:17:56 Rep. Marshall  
10:18:06 Rep. Zolnikov  
10:19:10 Rep. Noland joined the meeting.  
10:19:13 Chair Buttrey  
10:19:37 Rep. Zolnikov  
10:19:46 Rep. Noland assumed the Chair.  
10:20:19 Rep. Galloway  
10:20:33 Rep. Anderson  
10:20:40 Rep. Gunderson  
10:21:02 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:21:11 Rep. Galloway  
10:21:31 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:21:36 Rep. Fitzgerald left the meeting.  
10:21:43 Chair Noland

**Pages 49-56:**

10:22:00 Rep. Funk  
10:24:41 Chair Noland  
10:26:45 Rep. Galloway  
10:26:49 Rep. Funk  
10:27:04 Chair Noland  
10:27:11 Rep. Gist  
10:27:53 Rep. Funk

10:28:10 Rep. Gist  
10:28:42 Rep. Curdy  
10:29:40 Chair Noland  
10:29:57 Rep. Curdy  
10:30:14 Rep. Marshall  
10:30:55 Chair Noland  
10:32:00 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
10:33:12 Rep. Galloway  
10:33:14 Rep. Curdy left the meeting.  
10:34:25 Chair Noland  
10:34:40 Rep. Gunderson  
10:34:59 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:35:07 Chair Noland  
10:35:20 Rep. Gist  
10:35:42 Rep. Funk

**Pages 57-65:**

10:36:51 Rep. Galloway  
10:37:51 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:38:22 Rep. Gunderson  
10:38:37 Rep. Novak  
10:38:48 Rep. Galloway  
10:39:35 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:40:53 Chair Noland  
10:42:01 Rep. Seekins-Crowe left the meeting.  
10:42:34 Rep. Galloway  
10:42:41 Chair Noland  
10:42:46 Rep. Zolnikov  
10:43:17 Chair Noland  
10:43:33 Rep. Galloway  
10:44:10 Rep. Duram  
10:44:39 Chair Noland  
10:44:55 Rep. Fitzgerald  
10:45:06 Jameson Walker, LSD  
10:45:11 Vice Chair Sullivan joined the meeting.  
10:45:25 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:45:49 Chair Noland  
10:46:13 Rep. Galloway  
10:47:08 Chair Noland  
10:47:31 Jameson Walker, LSD  
10:47:34 Rep. Galloway  
10:47:43 Chair Noland  
10:47:48 Rep. Galloway  
10:47:58 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:48:14 Rep. Galloway  
10:48:50 Chair Noland

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10:49:05 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:52:30 Chair Noland

10:52:36 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:55:08 Rep. Funk left the meeting.  
10:55:18 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
10:55:39 Rep. Duram  
10:56:48 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:57:14 Rep. Anderson  
10:57:22 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:57:41 Jameson Walker, LSD  
10:58:29 Vice Chair Buttrey left the meeting.  
10:59:04 Chair Noland  
10:59:16 Rep. Loge  
10:59:57 Chair Noland

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11:00:01 Rep. Gist  
11:05:53 Chair Noland  
11:06:51 Rep. Gist  
11:09:06 Rep. Zolnikov  
11:09:19 Rep. Galloway  
11:09:35 Rep. Gist  
11:09:56 Jameson Walker, LSD  
11:10:37 Rep. Gist  
11:12:08 Chair Noland  
11:12:29 Rep. Gist  
11:16:36 Chair Noland  
11:17:35 Rep. Gist  
11:17:43 Rep. Galloway  
11:18:39 Rep. Gist  
11:19:21 Vice Chair Sullivan  
11:20:37 Rep. Gist  
11:20:43 Chair Noland  
11:20:46 Jameson Walker, LSD  
11:21:19 Vice Chair Sullivan  
11:21:38 Rep. Galloway  
11:22:09 Rep. Novak  
11:22:21 Rep. Gist  
11:22:25 Chair Noland  
11:23:58 Rep. Galloway  
11:24:34 Rep. Gist  
11:24:48 Chair Noland

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11:24:55 Rep. Gunderson  
11:25:22 Rep. Olsen joined the meeting.  
11:27:19 Rep. Loge  
11:27:25 Rep. Gist  
11:27:35 Chair Noland  
11:28:07 Rep. Loge  
11:28:18 Chair Noland  
11:29:44 Rep. Gunderson

11:32:28 Rep. Galloway  
11:33:16 Chair Noland  
11:34:26 Rep. Loge  
11:35:03 Rep. Zolnikov  
11:35:35 Chair Noland  
11:35:46 Rep. Loge  
11:36:07 Jameson Walker, LSD  
11:36:43 Chair Noland  
11:37:53 Rep. Gunderson  
11:41:14 Rep. Gist  
11:41:33 Rep. Gunderson  
11:42:20 Rep. Zolnikov  
11:42:44 Rep. Gunderson  
11:47:03 Rep. Fitzgerald left the meeting.  
11:49:29 Chair Noland  
11:49:40 Rep. Gunderson  
11:49:50 Chair Noland  
11:50:40 Rep. Gunderson  
11:51:01 Chair Noland  
11:51:31 Rep. Marshall  
11:51:52 Chair Noland  
11:52:04 Rep. Gunderson  
11:52:17 Chair Noland  
11:52:27 Rep. Galloway

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:52:48

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Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([buh59aad.pdf](#))**