

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

**Call to Order:** Chair Mark Noland, on March 26, 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. 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. Steve Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)  
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)  
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)  
Rep. Sara Novak (D)  
Rep. Kerri Seekins-Crowe (R)  
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

##### **Members Excused:**

Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)  
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)  
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)

**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:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 76, 3/23/2021  
Executive Action: SB 76, SB 251, SB 260  
Committee Business: LC 2367

**HEARING ON SB 76****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:32:30 Sen. Daniel Salomon (R), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 76, Revise the captive insurance regulatory and supervision account.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

08:35:44 Bob Biskupiak, Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, Office of the Montana State Auditor (CSI)

08:37:07 Rep. Olsen joined the meeting.

08:39:50 Aimee Grmoljez, Montana Captive Insurance Association (MCIA)

08:40:20 Rep. Gunderson left the meeting.

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

08:41:26 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:42:13 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

08:42:22 Rep. Duram

08:44:30 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

08:45:04 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:46:00 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

08:46:11 Rep. Galloway

08:48:15 Bob Biskupiak, CSI

08:48:27 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:49:00 Chair Noland

**Closing by Sponsor:**

08:49:16 Sen. Salomon

08:50:56 Chair Noland

08:53:25 Vice Chair Sullivan

08:53:31 Chair Noland

08:53:35 Jameson Walker, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

08:54:24 Rep. Loge

08:54:30 Chair Noland

08:55:04 Rep. Marshall

08:55:15 Chair Noland

08:57:47 Rep. Funk

08:57:52 Jameson Walker, LSD

08:58:28 Chair Noland

08:58:54 Rep. Olsen

08:59:18 Chair Noland

08:59:34 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:59:44 Jameson Walker, LSD

09:00:24 Chair Noland

09:01:00 Vice Chair Sullivan

09:01:15 Jameson Walker, LSD

09:01:30 Vice Chair Sullivan  
09:01:56 Chair Noland  
  
09:02:08 Recess  
10:06:31 Reconvened with Vice Chair Sullivan excused.  
  
10:06:44 Chair Noland

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 251**

10:06:53 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 251 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:07:30 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 251 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(buh60a01\)](#)

#### **Discussion:**

10:07:41 Vice Chair Buttrey  
10:07:54 Jameson Walker, LSD

10:09:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy.

10:09:43 **Motion:** Rep. Harvey moved that **SB 251 BE AMENDED.**  
[EXHIBIT\(buh60a02\)](#)

#### **Discussion:**

10:10:31 Rep. Olsen  
10:11:21 Vice Chair Buttrey

10:11:32 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-12 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Novak, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voting aye. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy.

10:12:30 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 251 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

#### **Discussion:**

10:12:52 Rep. Olsen

10:15:26 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Novak, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voting no. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy. Rep. Duram will carry the bill.

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 76**

10:16:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 76 BE CONCURRED IN.**  
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy. Rep. Buttrey will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 260**

10:17:20 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 260 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:17:53 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 260 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(buh60a03)**

**Discussion:**

10:18:10 Jameson Walker, LSD

10:21:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Novak, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voting no. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy.

10:21:58 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SB 260 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

10:22:23 Rep. Curdy

10:24:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Novak, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan, Rep. Whiteman Pena and Rep. Zolnikov voting no. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Gunderson, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Whiteman Pena voted by proxy. Rep. Buttrey will carry the bill.

10:25:27 Chair Noland

10:26:00 Vice Chair Buttrey and Rep. Funk left the meeting.

**Continued Committee Business on LC 2367**

See Exhibit (1) on 2-25-2021

**Pages 81-88:**

10:26:21 Rep. Harvey  
10:29:29 Chair Noland  
10:29:35 Rep. Harvey  
10:30:11 Rep. Curdy  
10:31:42 Chair Noland  
10:32:17 Rep. Curdy  
10:32:24 Rep. Duram  
10:33:27 Chair Noland  
10:33:40 Rep. Novak  
10:34:31 Chair Noland  
10:34:43 Rep. Gist  
10:34:55 Chair Noland  
10:35:29 Rep. Duram  
10:35:39 Chair Noland  
10:35:45 Rep. Galloway  
10:36:09 Rep. Harvey

10:38:18 Chair Noland  
10:39:16 Rep. Curdy  
10:39:41 Chair Noland  
10:40:03 Rep. Harvey  
10:41:02 Rep. Galloway  
10:41:13 Rep. Harvey  
10:41:20 Rep. Gist  
10:41:37 Chair Noland  
10:46:54 Rep. Harvey  
10:47:09 Chair Noland  
10:47:26 Jameson Walker, LSD  
10:47:32 Chair Noland  
10:48:02 Rep. Galloway  
10:48:22 Jameson Walker, LSD  
10:48:55 Rep. Harvey  
10:49:48 Rep. Marshall  
10:50:10 Rep. Harvey  
10:57:17 Chair Noland  
10:57:44 Rep. Loge  
10:57:52 Chair Noland  
10:57:58 Rep. Galloway  
10:58:10 Rep. Loge  
10:58:14 Rep. Harvey  
10:58:22 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
10:58:33 Chair Noland  
10:58:42 Rep. Loge  
10:58:48 Chair Noland  
10:58:55 Rep. Gist  
10:59:20 Vice Chair Buttrey joined the meeting.  
10:59:29 Rep. Harvey  
11:01:12 Chair Noland  
11:01:17 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:01:27 Rep. Harvey  
11:01:41 Chair Noland  
11:01:57 Rep. Marshall  
11:02:20 Chair Noland  
11:02:32 Rep. Curdy  
11:03:59 Rep. Harvey  
11:04:57 Chair Noland  
11:05:25 Rep. Galloway  
11:05:28 Rep. Marshall  
11:05:41 Rep. Galloway  
11:06:22 Rep. Curdy  
11:06:37 Chair Noland  
11:07:01 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:07:36 Rep. Gist  
11:07:51 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:07:59 Chair Noland  
11:08:06 Rep. Duram  
11:08:11 Chair Noland

11:08:24 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:08:41 Chair Noland

**Pages 88-103:**

11:09:06 Rep. Loge  
11:10:20 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:10:36 Rep. Loge  
11:10:48 Rep. Duram  
11:11:07 Rep. Loge  
11:11:16 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:11:30 Chair Noland  
11:15:33 Rep. Loge  
11:15:51 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
11:16:17 Chair Noland  
11:17:02 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
11:17:14 Rep. Loge  
11:17:19 Chair Noland  
11:17:33 Rep. Seekins-Crowe  
11:17:45 Rep. Loge  
11:21:42 Chair Noland  
11:21:49 Rep. Loge  
11:22:01 Chair Noland  
11:22:19 Rep. Galloway  
11:22:30 Chair Noland  
11:22:39 Rep. Gist  
11:22:47 Chair Noland  
11:22:52 Rep. Curdy  
11:23:02 Vice Chair Buttrey  
11:23:24 Chair Noland  
11:23:50 Rep. Loge  
11:23:53 Vice Chair Buttrey left the meeting.  
11:27:50 Rep. Gist  
11:28:25 Rep. Loge  
11:28:55 Rep. Gist left the meeting.  
11:33:26 Rep. Fitzgerald and Rep. Novak left the meeting.  
11:33:50 Rep. Curdy  
11:34:00 Chair Noland  
11:34:07 Rep. Curdy  
11:34:59 Jameson Walker, LSD  
11:35:28 Chair Noland  
11:35:52 Rep. Galloway

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:36:05

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Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([buh60aad.pdf](#))