

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair Dennis R. Lenz, on March 30, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis R. Lenz, Chair (R)
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. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Jane Gillette (R)
Rep. Sharon Greef (R)
Rep. Ed Hill (R)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Kathy Kelker (D)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Mallerie Stromswold (R)
Rep. Danny Tenenbaum (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jasmine Hart, Committee Secretary
Stephan Licitra, Remote Meeting Coordinator
Sue O'Connell, 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 676, 3/30/2021; SB 100, 3/30/2021; SB 155, 3/30/2021

HEARING ON SB 155**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:31:59 Sen. Tom Jacobson (D), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 155, Provide for equal access to anatomical gifts and organ transplantation.

EXHIBIT(huh62a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

15:34:31 Jayci Dalrymple, self
15:40:27 Megan Zawacki, Montana Academy of Physician Assistants (MTAPA)
15:41:36 Rep. Vinton
15:42:00 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
15:42:46 Joel Peden, Montana Association of Centers for Independent Living (MTCIL)
15:44:32 Duane Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

Opponents' Testimony:

15:45:11 Bob Leach, self

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:47:17 Rep. Stafman
15:47:45 Sen. Jacobson
15:48:40 Rep. Hill
15:49:01 Sen. Jacobson

Closing by Sponsor:

15:49:20 Sen. Jacobson

HEARING ON SB 100**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:52:28 Sen. Cary Smith (R), SD 27, opened the hearing on SB 100, Provide for the welfare fraud prevention act.

EXHIBIT(huh62a02)

15:56:00 Rep. Dunwell joined the meeting.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:57:17 Scott Centorino, Opportunity Solutions Project
16:03:54 Charlie Brereton, Office of the Governor
16:06:13 Bob Leach, self

Opponents' Testimony:

16:08:00 Adrian Jawort, Montana Native Vote (MNV)
16:09:36 Todd Wilson, Helena Indian Alliance (HIA)
16:11:59 Loni Taylor, Chippewa Cree Tribe Council
16:13:23 Tessie LaMere, Chippewa Cree Tribe
16:14:43 S.J. Howell, Montana Women Vote (MWV)
16:17:11 Tylyn Whitford, Chippewa Cree Tribe

16:18:09 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a03\)](#)

16:20:05 Rev. Susan DeVree, The Montana Poor People's Campaign

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a04\)](#)

16:26:46 Gina Lytle, self

16:32:00 Rev. Daniel Viehland, self

16:33:45 Rev. Anna Viehland, self

16:34:23 Lawry Smith, Salvation Army

16:36:05 Heather O'Loughlin, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)

16:39:53 Dr. Marian Kummer, self

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a05\)](#)

16:41:33 Shyla Patera, North Central Independent Living Services, Inc. (NCILS)

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a06\)](#)

16:43:35 Audra Landis, self

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a07\)](#)

16:47:09 Kelli Twoteeth, Chippewa Cree Tribe

16:49:02 Joel Peden, Montana Association of Centers for Independent Living (MTCILs)

16:50:19 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a08\)](#)

16:51:31 Cora Neumann, We Are Montana

16:53:41 Keaton Sunchild, Western Native Voice (WNV)

16:54:12 Kylee Bodley, Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
(MTAAP)

16:55:22 Scott Reichner, Equifax

[EXHIBIT\(huh62a09\)](#)

16:55:38 Duane Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

16:55:57 Daliyah Killsback, Western Native Voice (WNV)

16:56:14 Greg Dorrington, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

16:56:33 Shawn Reagor, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)

16:56:47 Lauren Wilson, Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
(MTAAP)

16:57:04 Caelen McQuillian, self

16:57:28 Leah Zins, The American Cancer Society, Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN);

16:57:47 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)

16:57:58 Melissa Pickett, Mountain Home Montana

16:58:14 Barbara Miller, Habitat for Humanity of Southwest Montana (HFH)

16:58:32 Andrew Werk Jr., Fort Belknap Indian Community Tribal Council

16:59:06 Stephanie Morton, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies (HMHB)

16:59:25 Grace Benasutti, Forward Montana

16:59:42 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence
(MCADSV)

17:00:00 Danielle Vazquez, self

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

17:01:08 Rep. Kelker
17:01:42 Kelsen Young, MCADSV
17:03:44 Vice Chair Karjala
17:04:18 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
17:05:31 Rep. Buckley
17:05:58 Lorianne Burhop, MFBN
17:06:51 Rep. Stafman
17:08:01 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
17:09:08 Rep. Abbott
17:10:47 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
17:11:33 Rep. Tenenbaum
17:14:21 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
17:16:12 Rep. Dunwell
17:16:37 Rep. Carlson
17:17:59 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
17:18:42 Vice Chair Karjala
17:19:30 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
17:20:48 Rep. Hill
17:21:53 Sen. C. Smith
17:22:04 Rep. Stafman
17:22:42 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
17:22:56 Rep. Tenenbaum
17:23:17 Erica Johnston, DPHHS

Closing by Sponsor:

17:23:37 Sen. C. Smith

HEARING ON HB 676

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

17:33:14 Rep. Jane Gillette (R), HD 64, opened the hearing on HB 676, Generally revise Medicaid and CHIP laws.

[**EXHIBIT\(huh62a10\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(huh62a11\)**](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

17:45:15 Scott Sales, Office of the Governor (GOV)
17:46:44 Erica Johnston, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
17:47:33 Rep. Moore
17:50:19 Rep. M. Regier

Opponents' Testimony:

17:52:15 Heather O'Loughlin, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)
17:57:38 John Doran, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana (BCBSMT)
18:01:13 Loni Taylor, Chippewa Cree Tribe Council
18:02:37 Tessie LaMere, Chippewa Cree Tribe
18:04:33 Tylyn Whitford, Chippewa Cree Tribe

18:04:57 Daliyah Killsback, Western Native Voice (WNV)
 18:07:06 Keaton Sunchild, Western Native Voice (WNV)
 18:08:03 S.J. Howell, Montana Women Vote (MWV)
 18:10:54 Lauren Wilson, Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
 (MTAAP); Montana Medical Association (MMA)

EXHIBIT(huh62a12)

18:13:33 Stacey Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association (MPCA)
 18:16:08 Cora Neumann, We Are Montana

EXHIBIT(huh62a13)

18:17:34 Duane Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)
 18:18:04 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe

EXHIBIT(huh62a14)

18:19:15 Caelen McQuillan, self
 18:19:57 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence
 (MCADSV)
 18:21:27 Alanna Wulf, Big Sky 55+
 18:22:07 Stephanie Morton, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies (HMHB)

EXHIBIT(huh62a15)

18:23:11 Danielle Vazquez, self
 18:23:55 Lorianne Burhop, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN)

Informational Testimony:

18:24:23 Joshua Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

18:24:47 Rep. Carlson
 18:29:12 Erica Johnston, DPHHS
 18:29:46 Rep. Stafman
 18:32:58 Heather O'Loughlin, MBPC
 18:33:14 Rep. Kelker
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 18:52:24 Rep. A. Regier
 18:56:15 Joshua Poulette, LFD

Closing by Sponsor:

18:57:22 Rep. Gillette

ADJOURNMENT

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19:08:56

Jasmine Hart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([huh62aad.pdf](#))