

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Barry Usher, on April 6, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 137 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Barry Usher, Chair (R)
Rep. Amy Regier, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Seth Berglee (R)
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)
Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R)
Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D)
Rep. Frank Fleming (R)
Rep. Tom France (D)
Rep. Jane Gillette (R)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Danny Tenenbaum (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kathy Kelker, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Brandon Ler (R)
Rep. Mallerie Stromswold (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Lydia Balian, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch
Hallie Swain, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action on: HB 658

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 658

08:06:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. A. Regier moved to **RECONSIDER ACTION** on **HB 658**.
Motion carried without objection.

08:06:52 **Motion:** Rep. A. Regier moved that **HB 658 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

08:07:13 Rachel Weiss, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
08:07:31 Rep. Tenenbaum
08:08:57 Chair Usher
08:09:41 Rep. Stafman
08:09:59 Chair Usher
08:11:20 Rep. Fleming
08:12:24 Director Brian Gootkin, Department of Corrections (DOC)
08:13:45 Rep. Bishop
08:16:43 Director Brian Gootkin, DOC
08:17:02 Chair Usher
08:17:21 Rep. Carlson
08:21:31 Director Brian Gootkin, DOC
08:21:44 Rep. Lenz

08:23:02 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Farris-Olsen, Rep. France, Rep. Lenz, Rep. Stafman and Rep. Tenenbaum voting no. Rep. Ler and Rep. Stromswold voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 370

08:30:07 **Motion:** Rep. A. Regier moved to **RECONSIDER ACTION** on **SB 370**.

Discussion:

08:30:26 Rachel Weiss, LSD
08:30:41 Chair Usher
08:31:34 Rep. Carlson
08:32:48 Rep. Skees
08:33:14 Rachel Weiss, LSD
08:34:10 Chair Usher

08:34:32 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Bishop, Rep. Farris-Olsen, Rep. France, Rep. Hawk, Rep. Skees and Rep. Tenenbaum voting no. Rep. Ler and Rep. Stromswold voted by proxy.

08:35:46 **Motion:** Rep. A. Regier moved that **SB 370 BE CONCURRED IN**.

08:35:56 **Motion:** Rep. A. Regier moved that **SB 370 BE AMENDED**.

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Discussion:

08:36:08 Rachel Weiss, LSD

08:36:34 Rep. Skees

08:39:29 Rachel Weiss, LSD

08:41:24 Vice Chair Regier

08:41:44 Rep. Berglee

08:42:41 Rachel Weiss, LSD

08:44:02 Chair Usher

08:44:45 Rep. Carlson

08:45:16 Without objection, Rep. A. Regier withdrew the BE AMENDED motion.

08:45:43 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. A. Regier moved to **PASS CONSIDERATION ON SB 370.**
Motion carried without objection.

08:46:16 Rep. Carlson

08:46:35 Chair Usher

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 08:47:19

Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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