

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Mark Noland, on April 27, 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. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk (D)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Sara Novak (D)
Rep. Kerri Seekins-Crowe (R)
Rep. Rynalea Whiteman Pena (D)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Katie Sullivan, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Derek J. Harvey (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jordee Bomgardner, Committee Secretary
Jameson Walker, Legislative Branch
Monte Cole, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SJ 31, 4/26/2021

Executive Action: SJ 31

HEARING ON SJ 31**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:31:15 Sen. Ellie Boldman (D), SD 45, opened the hearing on SJ 31, Study implementation of marijuana program and potential role of agriculture lab.

08:31:45 Rep. Duram joined the meeting.

08:33:20 Vice Chair Buttrey

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:33:50 Rep. Loge

08:34:03 Vice Chair Sullivan joined the meeting.

08:34:09 Rep. Gunderson

08:34:31 Sen. Boldman

08:34:44 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:38:06 Sen. Boldman

Closing by Sponsor:

08:38:28 Sen. Boldman

08:39:09 Chair Noland

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 31

08:40:14 **Motion:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SJ 31 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

08:40:34 Rep. Loge

08:41:21 Rep. Gunderson

08:42:11 Rep. Duram

08:43:01 **Vote:** Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Funk, Rep. Harvey, Rep. Novak, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Seekins-Crowe, Rep. Sullivan, Rep. Whiteman Pena and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye. Rep. Abbott, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Galloway, Rep. Gist, Rep. Harvey and Rep. Olsen voted by proxy.

08:44:38 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Buttrey moved that **SJ 31 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 14-0 by voice vote.

08:44:55 Chair Noland

08:45:34 Vice Chair Buttrey

08:45:44 Chair Noland

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 08:45:58

Jordee Bomgardner, Secretary

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