

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on January 25, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. David Howard, Chair (R)
Sen. Carl Glimm, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Jen Gross, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Tom McGillvray (R)
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)

Members Present via Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Bob Keenan (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Corina Hach, Legislative Branch
Gwyn Schooler, Committee Secretary
Hallie Swain, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 38, 1/22/2021; HB 60, 1/22/2021
Executive Action: SB 33; SB 43; SB 108; HB 38; HB 60

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 33

15:05:21 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 33 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:05:32 Sen. McNally

15:06:07 Sen. Sands entered the meeting.

15:06:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Keenan and Sen. Molnar voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 43

15:06:59 Chair Howard

15:07:07 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 43 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:07:14 Sen. Sands

15:07:17 Sen. Molnar entered the meeting.

15:09:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

15:10:03 Recess

15:36:48 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 108

15:37:00 Chair Howard

15:37:10 Sen. Sands

15:37:21 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 108 DO PASS.**

15:38:03 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 108 BE AMENDED.**

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Discussion:

15:39:10 Sen. Gross

15:39:29 Sen. Sands

15:40:13 Chair Howard

15:40:24 Sen. Glimm

15:41:20 Sen. Sands

15:41:45 Sen. Glimm

15:41:49 Sen. Sands

15:42:23 Sen. Molnar

15:43:14 Chair Howard

15:43:40 Sen. Glimm

15:44:20 Sen. Molnar

15:44:48 Sen. Glimm
15:44:59 Cori Hach, Legislative Services Division
15:45:39 Chair Howard

15:46:06 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. McNally and Sen. Sands voting no. Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

15:47:01 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **SB 108 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

15:47:11 Sen. Gross
15:48:11 Sen. McGillvray
15:49:21 Sen. McNally
15:51:36 Sen. McGillvray
15:52:40 Sen. Sands

15:53:41 **Vote:** Motion carried 6-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. McNally and Sen. Sands voting no. Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 60

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:54:36 Rep. Dennis Lenz (R), HD 53, opened the hearing on HB60, Clarify terminology used in voluntary CPS placement process.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:57:24 Matt Kuntz, executive director, NAMI Montana
15:59:43 Nikki Grossberg, Child Services Division, Department of Public Health and Human Services Division (DPHHS)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:01:43 Sen. Sands
16:02:40 Ms. Grossberg, DPHHS
16:02:48 Sen. Sands
16:02:59 Ms. Grossberg

Closing by Sponsor:

16:03:41 Rep. Lenz

HEARING ON HB 38

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

16:04:55 Rep. Tom Welch (R), HD 72, opened the hearing on HB38, Establish legislative intent for home and community-based services waivers.

Proponents' Testimony:

16:09:41 Adrienne Cotton, Montana Area Agency on Aging, AARP Montana
16:11:43 Matt Kuntz, executive director, NAMI Montana
16:14:00 Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
16:15:37 Shyla Patera, North Central Independent Living Services
16:17:20 Travis Hoffman, Summit Independent Living

[EXHIBIT\(phs16a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

Informational Testimony:

16:20:08 Marie Matthews, Department of Health of Human Services (DPHHS)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:20:36 Sen. Glimm
16:21:09 Ms. Matthews, DPHHS
16:22:03 Sen. Gross
16:22:34 Ms. Matthews

Additional Informational Witness (Proponent as Designated by the Chair) Testimony:

16:24:20 Gina Lytle, citizen

Closing by Sponsor:

16:26:12 Rep. Welch
16:27:31 Chair Howard
16:27:51 Sen. Sands

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 60

16:28:54 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Glimm moved that **HB 60 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Keenan voted by proxy. Sen. Sands will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 38

16:30:11 **Motion:** Sen. Glimm moved that **HB 38 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

16:30:21 Sen. McGillvray
16:30:35 Chair Howard
16:30:43 Sen. Gross

16:31:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Keenan voted by proxy. Sen. McNally will carry the bill.

16:31:28 Sen. Sands
16:31:44 Sen. McNally

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:32 PM

Gwyn Schooler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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