

**MINUTES**  
**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**  
**COMMITTEE ON (H) JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Call to Order:** Chair Rep. Bob Keenan-R, on January 10, 2023 at 8:01 AM, in 102

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Rep. Bob Keenan, Chair (R)  
Sen. Carl Glimm, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Jane Gillette (R)  
Sen. Dennis Lenz (R)  
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

**Staff Present:** Katya Grover, Remote Meeting Coordinator  
Julia Hamilton, Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Krista Kaarre, Secretary  
Joshua Poulette, Legislative Fiscal Analyst

**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:

Executive Action:

08:03:09

**Committee Discussion:**

08:03:22 Joshua Poulette

08:05:25

**Committee Discussion:**

08:06:13 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

08:06:18 Eric Higginbotham, Office of Health Data, Analytics & Financial Modeling, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

08:07:16 [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHa1\)](#)

08:07:29 Rep. Mary Caferro joined the meeting.

08:25:45 Rep. Bob Keenan

08:28:14 Rep. Jane Gillette

08:29:03 Rep. Bob Keenan

08:29:10 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

08:29:31 Sen. Christopher Pope

08:30:08 Eric Higginbotham, DPHHS

08:30:56 Mike Randol, DPHHS

08:31:16 Eric Higginbotham, DPHHS

08:40:44 Rep. Bob Keenan

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08:45:18	Barb Smith, DPHHS
08:45:39	Rep. Jane Gillette
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08:48:03	Barb Smith, DPHHS
08:48:17	Rep. Bob Keenan
08:48:30	Julia Hamilton
08:50:41	<a href="#">EXHIBIT(230110JHHa2)</a>
09:05:20	Rep. Bob Keenan
09:05:23	Rep. Jane Gillette
09:05:43	Julia Hamilton
09:06:09	Eric Higginbotham, DPHHS
09:08:15	Rep. Jane Gillette
09:08:34	Joshua Poulette
09:09:56	Sen. Christopher Pope
09:10:28	Julia Hamilton
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09:16:47	Joshua Poulette
09:17:53	Rep. Caferro
09:18:29	Joshua Poulette
09:18:46	Rep. Caferro
09:20:15	Charlie Brereton, DPHHS
09:20:43	Rep. Caferro
09:22:07	Joshua Poulette
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09:23:40	Mike Randol, DPHHS
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09:25:48	Mike Randol, DPHHS
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09:42:56 Reconvened

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**Committee Discussion:**

09:43:16 Gene Hermanson, DPHHS

09:44:07 [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHa3\)](#)

09:58:02 Sen. Carl Glimm

09:59:42 Gene Hermanson, DPHHS

10:01:15 Sen. Carl Glimm

10:02:40 Gene Hermanson, DPHHS

10:04:25 Sen. Christopher Pope

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10:07:53 Rep. Jane Gillette

10:08:27 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

10:08:55 Rep. Jane Gillette

10:09:45 Gene Hermanson, DPHHS

10:10:26 Rep. Jane Gillette

10:10:42 Gene Hermanson, DPHHS

10:11:00 Rep. Bob Keenan

10:11:30 Joshua Poulette

10:11:32 [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHa4\)](#)

10:16:44 Rep. Bob Keenan

10:16:50 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

10:17:09 Darcy Wiebe, DPHHS

10:17:58 [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHa5\)](#)

10:19:25 Rep. Bob Keenan

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10:33:02 Rep. Bob Keenan

10:33:07 Rep. Caferro

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10:37:07 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

10:38:11 Sen. Christopher Pope

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10:41:18 Charlie Brereton, DPHHS

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10:43:15 Rep. Caferro

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**Committee Discussion:**

11:28:06 Rose Hughes, Montana Health Care Association  
11:32:42 Duane Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association  
11:34:02 Brie MacLaurin, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies  
11:35:11 [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHa6\)](#)  
11:38:36 Janessa White, Consumer Direct Care Network

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 15:58:07

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Krista Kaarre, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230110JHHaad\)](#)