

MINUTES
MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (H) STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Julie Dooling-R, on January 19, 2023 at 9:02 AM, in 455

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Kelly Kortum, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Denise Baum (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Gary Parry (R)
Rep. Linda Reksten (R)
Rep. Tyson Running Wolf (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)
Rep. Zack Wirth (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Tony Brockman (R)
Rep. Julie Dooling (R)
Rep. Paul Green (R)
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)
Rep. Michael Yakawich (R)

Staff Present: Heather Kellum, Secretary
Rebecca Power, Research 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:

HB 199 DO PASS
HB 47 DO PASS AS AMENDED
HB 107 DO PASS AS AMENDED
HB 125 DO PASS AS AMENDED
HB 172 DO PASS AS AMENDED

09:03:13

Committee Discussion:

09:03:19 Rep. Kenneth Walsh

09:03:47 Amy Sassano, Deputy Budget Director, Governor's Office

09:04:34 [EXHIBIT\(230119STHa1\)](#)

09:12:02 Rep. Gary Parry

09:12:06 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:12:17 Rep. Ed Stafman

09:12:39 Rep. Denise Baum

09:12:55 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:13:31 Rep. Denise Baum

09:13:40 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:18:02 Rep. Ed Stafman

09:18:25 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:31:11 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger

09:31:49 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:32:05 Rep. Ed Stafman

09:33:18 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:35:41 Rep. Ed Stafman

09:35:52 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office

09:36:01 [EXHIBIT\(230119STHa2\)](#)

09:41:57 Rep. Michael Yakawich

09:42:15 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office
09:44:00 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger
09:44:43 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office
09:45:58 Rep. Kenneth Walsh
09:46:12 Rep. Gary Parry
09:47:10 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office
09:47:21 Rep. Kenneth Walsh
09:47:24 Amy Sassano, Governor's Office
09:47:34 Rep. Kenneth Walsh
09:48:10 Rep. Denise Baum
09:48:31 L.C. Arntzen, State Superintendent
09:48:48 [EXHIBIT\(230119STHa3\)](#)
09:50:30 [EXHIBIT\(230119STHa4\)](#)
09:55:49 Rep. Gary Parry
09:56:15 Sheri Scurr, LSD
10:02:47 Rep. Gary Parry
10:03:06 Sheri Scurr, LSD
10:03:19 Rep. Marta Bertoglio
10:03:40 Rep. Gary Parry
10:03:54 Rep. Marta Bertoglio
10:04:28 Sheri Scurr, LSD
10:11:27 Rep. Paul Green
10:11:34 Sheri Scurr, LSD
10:18:41 Rep. Julie Dooling

10:19:08 Rep. Gary Parry
10:19:17 Sheri Scurr, LSD
10:20:17 Rep. Marta Bertoglio
10:20:29 Nicole Thuotte, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
10:20:58 L.C. Arntzen, State Superintendent
10:21:58 Rep. Julie Dooling
09:06:54 Rep. Brockman has arrived
09:17:15 Rep. Green has arrived
09:32:41 Rep. Yakawich has arrived
09:45:28 Rep. Dooling has arrived
09:45:42 Rep. Green has left
09:47:51 Rep. Dooling assumes Chair
09:54:22 Rep. Green has arrived
10:01:45 Rep. Running Wolf has left
10:09:09 Rep. Running Wolf has arrived
10:12:35 Rep. Weatherwax has left
10:22:41 Rep. Wirth has left
10:22:56 Recessed
10:40:29 Reconvened
10:40:49 Rep. Wirth has arrived
11:27:13

Committee Discussion:

11:27:19 Rep. Julie Dooling
11:27:50 Rep. Kelly Kortum

11:27:55 Rep. Julie Dooling
11:28:29 Rep. Tony Brockman

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 199 - Generally revise office of economic development

10:41:06 **Motion:** Rep. Tony Brockman moved that **HB 199 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:41:48 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:42:00 Rep. Michael Yakawich
10:42:11 Heather Kellum
10:42:28 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:41:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 47 - Generally revise the Montana Information Technology Act

10:43:33 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 47 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:43:51 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:43:52 Heather Kellum
10:44:04 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:44:20 **Motion:** Rep. Julie Dooling moved that **HB 47 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

10:44:42 Rebecca Power

10:46:58 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:47:25 Rep. Michael Yakawich
10:47:59 Rep. Ed Stafman
10:48:23 Rebecca Power
10:48:40 Michele Snowberger, Attorney, Department of Administration

10:49:53 Rep. Ed Stafman
10:50:06 Ms. Snowberger
10:50:14 Rep. Gary Parry
10:50:35 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:51:10 Ms. Snowberger
10:51:29 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:51:33 Rep. Ed Stafman
10:51:46 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:44:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 16 - 2 by voice vote with Rep. Kortum, Rep. Smith, voting no.
10:52:55 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 47 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Discussion:
10:53:06 Rep. Kelly Kortum
10:54:52 Rep. Ed Stafman
10:55:26 Rep. Julie Dooling
10:52:55 **Vote:** Motion carried 12 - 6 by voice vote with Rep. Baum, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Running Wolf, Rep. Smith, Rep. Stafman, Rep. Weatherwax, voting no. Rep. Weatherwax, By Proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 107 - Generally revise the duties of SERC

10:58:05 **Motion:** Rep. Tyson Running Wolf moved that **HB 107 TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE.**
10:58:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 15 - 1 by voice vote with Rep. Yakawich, voting no.
10:58:54 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 107 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Discussion:
10:59:50 Rep. Julie Dooling
11:00:30 Rep. Tyson Running Wolf
11:00:43 Rebecca Power
11:01:24 **Motion:** Rep. Tyson Running Wolf moved that **HB 107 REMOVE/RECONSIDER AMENDMENT 107.001.001.**
Discussion:

- 11:02:38 Rep. Gary Parry
- 11:02:50 Rep. Julie Dooling
- 11:01:24 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 11:03:29 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 107 BE AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 11:03:48 Rep. Tyson Running Wolf
- 11:03:51 Rebecca Power
- 11:04:37 Rep. Julie Dooling
- 11:04:43 Rebecca Power
- 11:06:50 Rep. Julie Dooling
- 11:07:03 Rep. Gary Parry
- 11:07:47 Rebecca Power
- 11:03:29 **Vote:** Motion carried 17 - 1 by voice vote with Rep. Kortum, voting no.
- 11:08:38 **Motion:** Rep. Marta Bertoglio moved that **HB 107 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 11:08:38 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 125 - Revise public hearing process for Montana facility
finance authority**

- 11:09:50 **Motion:** Rep. Kenneth Walsh moved that **HB 125 DO PASS.**
- 11:10:02 **Motion:** Rep. Kelly Kortum moved that **HB 125 BE AMENDED.**
- Discussion:**
- 11:10:29 Heather Kellum
- 11:10:46 Rep. Kelly Kortum
- 11:12:19 Rebecca Power
- 11:12:26 Rep. Julie Dooling
- 11:10:02 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 11:13:11 **Motion:** Rep. Kelly Kortum moved that **HB 125 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 11:13:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 172 - Revise laws related to post-election audits

11:14:21 **Motion:** Rep. Michael Yakawich moved that **HB 172 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

11:14:39 Heather Kellum

11:15:00 Rep. Julie Dooling

11:15:04 **Motion:** Rep. Julie Dooling moved that **HB 172 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

11:15:17 Rebecca Power

11:16:03 Rep. Julie Dooling

11:15:04 **Vote:** Motion carried 16 - 2 by voice vote with Rep. Phalen, Rep. Smith, voting no.
Rep. Phalen, By Proxy

11:16:51 **Motion:** Rep. Kenneth Walsh moved that **HB 172 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

11:17:14 Rep. Ed Stafman

11:19:09 Rep. Kelly Kortum

11:20:06 Rep. Linda Reksten

11:20:51 Rep. Kenneth Walsh

11:21:20 Rep. Phalen has arrived

11:21:54 Rep. Frank Smith

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10:40:29 Reconvened
11:16:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 14 - 4 by voice vote with Rep. Kortum, Rep. Phalen,
Rep. Smith, Rep. Weatherwax, voting no.
Rep. Weatherwax, By Proxy

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:28:47

Heather Kellum, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230119STHaad\)](#)[EXHIBIT\(230119STHaad\)](#)