

**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 27, 2023 at 9:34 AM, in 102

**ROLL CALL**

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

09:34:54

**Committee Discussion:**

09:35:00 Rep. Bob Keenan

09:36:16 Lesa Evers, Tribal Relations Manager, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

09:37:33 Rep. Windy Boy, HD 32

09:44:06 Jennifer Finley, Tribal Council Representative, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

09:51:46 Rep. Windy Boy

09:52:42 Dennis Four Bear, Tribal Health Director, Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes

09:56:53 Norma Gourneau, Tribal Council, Northern Cheyenne Tribe

10:02:48 Kayla Grinsell, Tribal Health Administrator, Northern Cheyenne Tribe

10:04:00 [EXHIBIT\(230127JHHa1\)](#)

10:05:32 Ted Russette, Chippewa Cree Tribe

10:08:08 Joel Rosette, Rocky Boy Health Center

10:14:21 Len Two Teeth, Vice Chairman Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

10:22:22 Stacey Summers, Tribal Council, Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes

10:26:05 Levi Black Eagle, Secretary, Crow Tribe

10:31:05 Todd Wilson, Executive Director, Helena Indian Alliance

10:34:27 Paula Bighorn, Deputy Director, Fort Peck Tribes' Health Promotion Disease Prevention Program

10:35:17 Sen. Dennis Lenz left the meeting.

10:39:59 [EXHIBIT\(230127JHHa2\)](#)

10:43:18 Leonard Smith, CEO, Native American Development Corporation / Billings Urban Indian Health and Wellness Center

10:49:33 Garland 'Ping' Stiffarm, CEO, Blackfeet Tribal Health System

10:55:48 Jason Smith, Executive Director, Montana Consortium for Urban Indian Health

10:57:29 Joe Durglo, Tribal Health Director, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)

11:01:45 Reverend Su DeBree, Poor People's Coalition

11:02:45 Sen. Carl Glimm left the meeting.

11:06:05 Cher Old Elk-Stewart, Fort Peck Tribes

11:11:34 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe

11:12:56 Katherine Northup, Montana Poor People's Campaign

11:14:59 Danielle Vazquez, Self

11:17:00 [EXHIBIT\(230127JHHa3\)](#)

11:17:05 Lesa Evers, DPHHS

11:18:51 Ta'jin Perez, Western Native Voice

11:24:04 Lesa Evers, DPHHS

11:24:36 Rep. Mary Caferro

11:25:30 Joe Durglo, CSKT

11:27:15 Rep. Mary Caferro

11:27:56 Sen. Carl Glimm joined the meeting.

11:29:13 Sen. Christopher Pope

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11:35:00 Lesa Evers, DPHHS  
11:36:56 Sen. Christopher Pope  
11:37:16 Rep. Windy Boy  
11:38:54 Dorothy Dupree, Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council  
11:44:57 Rep. Jane Gillette  
11:48:03 Rep. Bob Keenan  
11:06:07 [EXHIBIT\(230127JHHa4\)](#)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:48:37

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Krista Kaarre, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230127JHHaad\)](#)