

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

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R, on January 30, 2023 at 3:01 PM, in 152

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Jennifer Carlson, Chair (R)
Rep. Alice Buckley, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Jodee Etchart (R)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. SJ Howell (D)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Nelly Nicol (D)
Rep. Greg Oblander (R)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Wayne Rusk (R)
Rep. Laura Smith (D)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Michael Yakawich (R)
Rep. Zooey Zephyr (D)

Members Excused: Rep. George Nikolakakos (R)

Staff Present: Milly Allen, Research Analyst
Katie Reeves, Secretary

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:

HB 312 01/25/2023

Executive Action:

15:21:34

Chair Carlson

HEARING ON HB 312 - Provide for rural emergency hospital designation

Opening Statement:

15:03:01 Rep. Jodee Etchart (R), HD 48, opened the hearing on HB 312, Provide for rural emergency hospital designation.

Proponent Testimony:

15:03:52 Dwayne Preshinger, Montana Hospital Association

[EXHIBIT\(230130HUh1\)](#)

15:08:36 Stacy Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

15:09:48 Ta'jin Perez, Deputy Director, Western Native Voice

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:11:43 Jack King, Montana Health Research and Education Center

15:12:10 Leslie Howe, DPPHS, Inspector General

Questions from Committee:

15:12:51 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway

15:13:27 Dwayne Preshinger

15:14:03 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway

15:14:17 Dwayne Preshinger

15:15:07 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway

15:15:20 Dwayne Preshinger

15:16:19 Rep. Alice Buckley

15:16:48 Dwayne Preshinger

15:17:27 Rep. Edward Buttrey
15:18:04 Dwayne Preshinger
15:18:25 Rep. Edward Buttrey
15:18:35 Dwayne Preshinger
15:19:14 Rep. Jennifer Carlson
15:19:44 Dwayne Preshinger
15:20:10 Rep. Jennifer Carlson
15:20:23 Dwayne Preshinger

Closing Statement:

15:20:50 Rep. Jodee Etchart (R), HD 48, closed the hearing on HB 312.

Discussion:

15:21:34 Chair Carlson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:21:58

Katie Reeves, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230130HUUaad\)](#)