

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON (H) JOINT APPROPS SUBCOM ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Bill Mercer-R, on February 03, 2023 at 8:01 AM, in 317A

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Bill Mercer, Chair (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)
Sen. Shelley Vance (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Sen. Tom McGillvray (R)

Staff Present: Macy McCauley, 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:

Executive Action:

08:02:31

Committee Discussion:

08:02:41 Rep. Bill Mercer

08:04:13

Committee Discussion:

08:04:30 Cathy Duncan, LFD

08:12:14 Rep. Bill Mercer

08:12:26

Committee Discussion:

08:10:25 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter joined the meeting.

08:10:40 Sen. Tom McGillvray joined the meeting.

08:12:37 Travis Spinder, DOJ

08:23:22 Rep. Bill Mercer

08:23:29 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

08:24:19 Travis Spinder, DOJ

08:25:12 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

08:25:26 Brent Doig, OBPP

08:25:28 Rep. Fiona Nave

08:25:58 Travis Spinder, DOJ

08:26:59 Rep. Fiona Nave

08:27:35 Travis Spinder, DOJ

08:27:55 Rep. Fiona Nave
08:28:07 Travis Spinder, DOJ
08:28:42 Sen. Tom McGillvray
08:29:16 Travis Spinder, DOJ
08:31:10 Sen. Tom McGillvray
08:31:12 Travis Spinder, DOJ
08:31:45 Rep. Bill Mercer
08:34:33 Travis Spinder, DOJ
08:35:45 Rep. Bill Mercer
08:37:23 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter
08:37:25 Travis Spinder, DOJ
08:38:10

Committee Discussion:

08:38:56 Will Selph, DOJ
08:39:39 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
08:43:36 Sen. Ryan Lynch left the meeting.
08:46:29 [EXHIBIT\(230203JCHa1\)](#)
08:49:28 Rep. Bill Mercer
08:49:52 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
08:58:18 Sen. Shelley Vance
08:59:28 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:00:37 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter
09:00:49 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:02:57 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

09:03:23 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:04:50 Sen. Tom McGillvray
09:06:14 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:06:32 Recessed
09:19:19 Reconvened
09:19:30

Committee Discussion:

09:19:37 Rep. Bill Mercer
09:20:44 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter
09:21:01 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:23:24 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter
09:25:00 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
09:26:25 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter
09:27:31 Dan Guzynski, DOJ
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09:46:58 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

09:47:18 Rep. Bill Mercer

09:52:05 Dan Guzynski, DOJ

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10:15:07 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

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10:17:17 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

10:17:22 Sen. Ryan Lynch left the meeting.

10:18:37 Dan Guzynski, DOJ

10:19:43 Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter

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Committee Discussion:

10:28:34 Christian Corrigan, DOJ
10:34:26 Rep. Bill Mercer
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10:35:18 Christian Corrigan, DOJ
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Committee Discussion:

11:06:37 David Ortley, Deputy Attorney General
11:07:54 Sen. Tom McGillvray left the meeting.
11:15:48 Rep. Michele Binkley left the meeting.
11:15:57 Rep. Bill Mercer
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ADJOURNMENT

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Macy McCauley, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230203JCHaad\)](#)