

MINUTES
MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (H) JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG RANGE
PLANNING

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Mike Hopkins-R, on February 03, 2023 at 8:02 AM, in 317B

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Mike Hopkins, Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)
Rep. John Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Mike Lang (R)
Rep. Paul Tuss (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Matt Regier (R)

Staff Present: Katy Callon, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Sara Fleming, 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 5 02/02/2023

Executive Action:

10:31:56

Committee Discussion:

10:32:03 Katy Callon
10:32:28 Rep. Mike Hopkins
10:32:50 Russ Katherman, DOA
10:33:09 Sen. Mike Lang
10:33:42 Rep. Mike Hopkins

HEARING ON HB 5 - Long-range building appropriations

Opening Statement:

08:04:00 Rep. Mike Hopkins (R), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 5, Long-range building appropriations.

Questions from Committee:

08:04:04 Katy Callon
08:04:17 Rep. Mike Hopkins
08:04:56 John Hronek, Adjutant General, Montana Department of Military Affairs (DMA)
08:14:11 Russ Katherman, Administrator, Architecture and Engineering Division, Department of Administration (DOA)
08:17:31 Sen. Mike Cuffe
08:18:12 Rep. Paul Tuss
08:18:34 John Hronek, DMA
08:19:05 Rep. John Fitzpatrick
08:19:22 John Hronek, DMA

08:20:12 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:20:47 John Hronek, DMA

08:21:09 Leslie White, Deputy Officer, Construction and Facilities Management,
Montana Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

08:23:39 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:25:24 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:25:27 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:25:49 John Hronek, DMA

08:26:19 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:27:23 Jason Harlow, Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

08:27:54 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:32:06 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:32:39 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:33:50 Randy Stephens, Planning Manager, Architecture and Engineering
Division, Department of Administration (DOA)

08:36:32 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:37:07 Leslie White, DMA

08:39:25 Randy Stephens, DOA

08:40:34 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:42:20 Sen. Mike Cuffe

08:42:57 John Hronek, DMA

08:46:46 Russ Katherman, DOA

08:47:52 Sen. Mike Lang

08:50:16 John Hronek, DMA

08:52:25 Leslie White, DMA

08:53:54 Sen. Mike Lang

08:54:35 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

08:54:47 Leslie White, DMA

08:56:13 Randy Stephens, DOA

08:58:26 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

08:58:48 Randy Stephens, DOA

08:59:40 Jason Harlow, OBPP

09:00:13 Randy Stephens, DOA

09:00:31 Rep. Mike Hopkins left the meeting.

09:01:11 Sen. Mike Lang

09:01:32 John Hronek, DMA

09:01:59 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:02:16 John Hronek, DMA

09:02:53 Randy Stephens, DOA

09:06:20 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:06:32 Rep. Mike Hopkins joined the meeting.

09:06:58 Leslie White, DMA

09:09:40 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:09:59 Leslie White, DMA

09:10:42 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:11:04 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:11:23 Sen. Mike Lang

09:11:54 Leslie White, DMA

09:13:44 Rep. Paul Tuss

09:14:09 Leslie White, DMA

09:15:31 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:15:47 Roger Hagan, Legislative Advocate, Montana National Guard Officer and Enlisted Associations

09:17:43 Natasha Robinson, Liquor Store Owners Association of Montana

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09:19:38 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:20:59 Leslie White, DMA

09:21:31 Recessed

09:34:18 Reconvened

09:35:08 Katy Callon

09:35:48 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:39:27 Randy Stephens, DOA

09:42:51 Russ Katherman, DOA

09:45:13 John Hronek, DMA

09:53:51 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:57:58 John Hronek, DMA

10:00:43 Rep. Paul Tuss

10:01:06 John Hronek, DMA

10:04:04 Randy Stephens, DOA

10:04:20 Sen. Mike Cuffe left the meeting.

10:05:18 Rep. Mike Hopkins

10:05:39 Russ Katherman, DOA

10:06:56 Delila Bruno, Administrator, Disaster and Emergency Services Division (DES)

10:10:45 Russ Katherman, DOA

10:12:20 Delila Bruno (DES)

10:16:25 Sen. Mike Lang

10:16:38 Delila Bruno (DES)

10:17:41 Todd Harwell, Division Administrator, Public Health and Safety Division,
Department of Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

10:19:48 Sen. Mike Lang

10:20:44 Delila Bruno (DES)

10:21:33 Randy Stephens, DOA

10:25:25 Sen. Mike Lang

10:26:08 Russ Katherman, DOA

10:27:08 Randy Stephens, DOA

10:27:22 Rep. Mike Hopkins

10:27:35 Russ Katherman, DOA

10:29:32 Rep. Mike Hopkins

Questions from Committee:

09:36:14 Brad Griffin, Executive Director, Montana Restaurant Association (MRA)

09:38:27 Sen. Mike Cuffe

Closing Statement:

10:30:30 Rep. Mike Hopkins (R), HD 92, closed the hearing on HB 5.

Discussion:

10:31:56

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:34:15

Sara Fleming, Secretary

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