

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

Call to Order: Chair Laurie Bishop-D, on February 03, 2023 at 8:00 AM, in 137

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Amy Regier, Chair (R)
Rep. Laurie Bishop, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Brandon Ler, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Lee Deming (R)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Jodee Etchart (R)
Rep. Tom France (D)
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Rep. SJ Howell (D)
Rep. Greg Kmetz (R)
Rep. Braxton Mitchell (R)
Rep. Wayne Rusk (R)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)
Rep. Laura Smith (D)
Rep. Zoey Zephyr (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Jennifer Carlson (R)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)

Staff Present: Jamie Van Valkenburg, Secretary
Rachel Weiss, 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:

HB 330 01/30/2023
HB 354 01/31/2023
HB 362 01/31/2023

Executive Action:

08:05:32 Rep. Etchart has left
08:05:38 Rep. Carlson has arrived
08:08:49 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway has left
08:22:12 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway has arrived

HEARING ON HB 362 - Revise laws related to the crisis intervention team training program

Opening Statement:

08:02:38 Rep. Denise Baum (D), HD 47, opened the hearing on HB 362, Revise laws related to the crisis intervention team training program.

Proponent Testimony:

08:08:03 Barry Usher, SD 20
08:10:24 Nanette Gilberson, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association
08:14:25 Sean Conroe, Ability Montana
08:15:33 Dan Smith, Montana Police Protection Association
08:15:52 Greg Homeland, Lewis and Clark Sheriffs Office
08:20:22 Brian Thompson, Montana County Attorney's Office
08:21:24 Nicole Gomez, Montana Women Vote

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

08:22:44 Natalia Bowser, Boarder Crime Control

Questions from Committee:

08:23:12 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle

08:23:42 Senator Usher

Closing Statement:

08:25:23 Rep. Denise Baum (D), HD 47, closed the hearing on HB 362.

08:54:10 Chair Regier has left

HEARING ON HB 354 - Revise exemption from prohibition on discrimination based on vaccine status

Opening Statement:

08:26:34 Rep. Ed Stafman (D), HD 62, opened the hearing on HB 354, Revise exemption from prohibition on discrimination based on vaccine status.

Proponent Testimony:

08:29:07 Becky Franks, Cancer Support Montana

08:35:55 Marion Cherry, Self

08:40:47 Melody Cunningham, Montana Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics

08:43:50 Kim McKearnan, Children's Oncology Camp Foundation

08:48:58 Marian Kummer, Montana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

08:50:26 Stuart Kaplan, MD, Camp Mak-a-Dream

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

08:53:36 Rep. Greg Kmetz

08:53:54 Rep. Ed Stafman-D

08:54:57 Rep. Jedediah Hinkle

08:55:12 Becky Franks
08:59:05 Rep. Jennifer Carlson
09:00:13 Becky Franks
09:00:59 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway
09:01:48 Becky Franks

Closing Statement:

09:03:47 Rep. Ed Stafman (D), HD 62, closed the hearing on HB 354.

09:09:53 Rep. Zephyr has left
09:13:27 Rep. Zephyr has arrived

HEARING ON HB 330 - Revise laws related to tribal DUI task forces

Opening Statement:

09:06:26 Rep. Frank Smith (D), HD 16, opened the hearing on HB 330, Revise laws related to tribal DUI task forces.

Proponent Testimony:

09:07:45 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe
09:09:04 Garry Macdonald, Roosevelt County
[EXHIBIT\(230203JUH1\)](#)
09:14:08 Lance Fourstar, Western Native Voice
[EXHIBIT\(230203JUH2\)](#)

Questions from Committee:

09:16:54 Rep. Jennifer Carlson
09:16:56 Patrick Yawakie
09:17:04 Rep. Neil Duram
09:17:06 Patrick Yawakie

09:17:26 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway
09:17:54 Rep. Frank Smith-D
09:20:57 Rep. Jennifer Carlson
09:21:53 Garry Macdonald
09:23:07 Rep. Greg Kmetz
09:23:34 Patrick Yawakie
09:23:58 Garry Macdonald
09:24:44 Rep. Neil Duram
09:25:14 Garry Macdonald

Closing Statement:

09:26:29 Rep. Frank Smith (D), HD 16, closed the hearing on HB 330.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 09:27:57

Jamie Van Valkenburg, Secretary

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