

**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 09, 2023 at 9:11 AM, in 317B

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Members Excused:** Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)  
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:

Executive Action:

09:12:28

**Committee Discussion:**

09:12:37 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:13:29 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:14:52 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:15:04 Katy Callon

09:15:31 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:16:25 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:18:25 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:18:46 Sen. Mike Cuffe joined the meeting.

09:22:22 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:22:30 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:23:27 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:23:56 Sen. Mike Lang

09:24:58 Russ Katherman, Administrator, Architecture and Engineering  
Division, Department of Administration (DOA)

09:27:10 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:27:27 Renee Lemon, Division Administrator, Community Development  
Division, Department of Commerce (DOC)

09:27:57 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:28:43 Rep. Mike Hopkins left the meeting.

09:28:51 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:30:33 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:30:49 Rep. Mike Hopkins joined the meeting.

09:32:03 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:32:14 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:32:43 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:33:13 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:34:02 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:35:04 Katy Callon

09:35:25 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:35:49 Jason Harlow, Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

09:36:58 Rep. Mike Hopkins

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09:37:58 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:39:15 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:40:43 Rep. Paul Tuss

09:43:19 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:44:48 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:44:52 Sen. Mike Cuffe left the meeting.

09:44:58 Jason Harlow, OBPP

09:45:18 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:45:42 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:45:51 Sen. Mike Lang

09:46:08 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:47:09 Sen. Ellie Boldman

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09:49:34 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:50:15 Chere Jiusto, Executive Director, Preserve Montana (PM)

09:53:08 Rep. Mike Hopkins

09:53:57 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:55:09 Rep. Paul Tuss

09:55:57 Russ Katherman, DOA

09:59:07 [EXHIBIT\(230209JLHa1\)](#)

10:02:47 [EXHIBIT\(230209JLHa2\)](#)

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10:11:48 Sen. Ellie Boldman left the meeting.

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10:12:40 Russ Katherman, DOA

10:13:42 [EXHIBIT\(230209JLHa3\)](#)

10:15:45 [EXHIBIT\(230209JLHa4\)](#)

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10:23:44	Sen. Mike Cuffe
10:24:34	Rep. Mike Hopkins
10:25:27	Katy Callon
10:26:24	Rep. Mike Hopkins
10:27:18	Sen. Mike Lang
10:27:50	Rep. Mike Hopkins

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:28:50

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Sara Fleming, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230209JLHaad\)](#)