

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

Call to Order: Chair Jennifer Carlson-R, on February 22, 2023 at 3:05 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. Edward Buttrey (R)
Rep. Jodee Etchart (R)
Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)
Rep. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. SJ Howell (D)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Nelly Nicol (R)
Rep. Wayne Rusk (R)
Rep. Laura Smith (D)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Michael Yakawich (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. George Nikolakakos (R)
Rep. Greg Oblander (R)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Zooney Zephyr (D)

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 556 02/17/2023

HB 616 02/20/2023

HB 665 02/21/2023

HB 567 02/22/2023
HB 557 02/17/2023

Executive Action:

HEARING ON HB 616 - Generally revise public-private contracting of services

Opening Statement:

15:10:18 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 616, Generally revise public-private contracting of services.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:11:46 Kim Aiken, CFO, DPHHS

Questions from Committee:

15:12:23 Rep. Edward Buttrey

15:12:35 Kim Aiken, DPHHS

15:13:15 Rep. Nelly Nicol

15:14:03 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

15:14:24 Rep. Mary Caferro

15:18:00 Rep. SJ Howell

15:18:04 Rep. Mary Caferro

Closing Statement:

15:21:42 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, closed the hearing on HB 616.

HEARING ON HB 567 - Revise health insurance navigator training requirements

Opening Statement:

15:24:31 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, opened the hearing on HB 567, Revise health insurance navigator training requirements.

Proponent Testimony:

15:25:39 Stacy Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

[EXHIBIT\(230222HUH1\)](#)

15:29:29 Frank Cote, State Auditor, State Securities and Insurance

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:30:59 Olivia Riutta, Director, Montana Primary Care Association

Questions from Committee:

15:31:41 Chair Jennifer Carlson

15:32:01 Rep. Mary Caferro-D

Closing Statement:

15:32:12 Rep. Mary Caferro (D), HD 81, closed the hearing on HB 567.

[EXHIBIT\(230222HUH2\)](#)

HEARING ON HB 665 - Revise laws related to insurance coverage of breast examinations

Opening Statement:

15:33:32 Rep. Jodee Etchart (R), HD 48, opened the hearing on HB 665, Revise laws related to insurance coverage of breast examinations.

[EXHIBIT\(230222HUH3\)](#)

Proponent Testimony:

15:34:55 Heather O'Hara, RN and VP, Montana Hospital Association

15:36:17 Stacy Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

15:37:28 Jean Branscum, CEO, Montana Medical Association

15:38:05 Emily Feller, Self

15:40:29 Shelley Emslie, Self

15:42:45 Becky Franks, CEO Cancer Support Community Montana

15:44:01 Bobbie Will, Susan G. Komen

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:46:34 Sean Slanger, America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)

Questions from Committee:

15:47:12 Rep. Donavon Hawk

15:47:25 Sean Slanger, AHIP

15:48:04 Rep. Michael Yakawich

15:49:04 Rep. Jodee Etchart-R

Closing Statement:

15:49:53 Rep. Jodee Etchart (R), HD 48, closed the hearing on HB 665.

15:52:05 Vice Chair Sheldon-Galloway assumed the gavel

HEARING ON HB 556 - Revise definitions related to day-care facilities and family day-care homes

Opening Statement:

15:53:09 Chair Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 556, Revise definitions related to day-care facilities and family day-care homes.

Proponent Testimony:

16:01:26 Jane Gillette, HD 64

16:03:29 Robyn Mohs, Self

16:39:43 Chelsea Culpon, Self

Opponent Testimony:

16:05:34 Katelyn Jensen, Executive Director, Zero to Five Montana
[EXHIBIT\(230222HUH4\)](#)

16:08:06 Brandy Thomas, Self

16:11:02 Patty Butler, Self

16:13:56 Ella Smith, Montana Advocates for Children

16:14:51 Chelsea Murphy, Park County Early Childhood Coordinator

16:17:39 Sheryl Hutzenbiler, Self

16:20:08 Madison Mueller, Self

16:23:06 BriAnne Moline, Wild Wonders Early Learning Program

16:26:08 Meghan Ballenger, Executive Director, Raise Network

16:28:49 Collette Box, Director, Child Care Center

16:32:32 Grace Decker, Zero to Five Missoula County

16:35:27 Tamara Christofferson, Child Care Connections

Informational Witness Testimony:

16:41:31 Tracy Moseman, Administrator, Early Family Division DPHHS

Questions from Committee:

16:42:18 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

16:43:15 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R

16:44:30 Rep. Laura Smith

16:45:18 Patty Butler

16:53:14 Rep. Greg Oblander

16:54:12 Tracy Moseman, DPHHS

16:56:42 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

16:57:02 Tracy Moseman, DPHHS

16:57:24 Rep. Nelly Nicol
16:57:53 Tracy Moseman, DPHHS
17:01:38 Rep. Donavon Hawk
17:01:52 Tracy Moseman, DPHHS
17:03:07 Rep. SJ Howell
17:04:38 Rep. Laura Smith
17:06:42 Rep. Ron Marshall
17:07:15 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R
17:07:37 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway
17:08:26 Patty Butler

Closing Statement:

17:08:52 Chair Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, closed the hearing on HB 556.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:46:40

Katie Reeves, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230222HUUHaad\)](#)