

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

Call to Order: Chair Jennifer Carlson-R, on March 13, 2023 at 3:01 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 (D)
Rep. Greg Oblander (R)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Wayne Rusk (R)
Rep. Laura Smith (D)
Rep. Tom Welch (R)
Rep. Michael Yakawich (R)
Rep. Zooey Zephyr (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)
Rep. George Nikolakakos (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (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:

SB 87 03/08/2023

Executive Action:

HEARING ON SB 87 - Eliminate board of public assistance

Opening Statement:

15:03:15 Sen. Tom McGillvray (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 87, Eliminate board of public assistance.

Discussion:

15:03:23 Rep. Ed Stafman joined the meeting.

Proponent Testimony:

15:05:08 Kristen Juras, Governors Office

15:05:41 Rep. Gregory Frazer joined the meeting.

15:06:15 Paula Stannard, Chief Legal Counsel, DPHHS

Opponent Testimony:

15:09:49 Mary Caferro

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

15:16:05 Rep. Michael Yakawich

15:16:42 Paula Stannard

15:20:38 Rep. SJ Howell

15:20:53 Paula Stannard

15:22:36 Rep. Greg Oblander

15:23:02 Mary Caferro

15:25:23 Paula Stannard

15:26:37 Rep. Zooey Zephyr

15:26:58 Paula Stannard
15:30:25 Rep. Ed Stafman
15:31:33 Mary Caferro
15:32:38 Rep. Laura Smith
15:33:44 Mary Caferro

Closing Statement:

15:35:01 Sen. Tom McGillvray (R), SD 23, closed the hearing on SB 87.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:37:56

Katie Reeves, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230313HUHaad\)](#)