

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

Call to Order: Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R, on March 29, 2023 at 3:36 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. SJ Howell (D)
Rep. Nelly Nicol (R)
Rep. George Nikolakakos (R)
Rep. Greg Oblander (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. Caleb Hinkle (R)
Rep. Ron Marshall (R)
Rep. Amy Regier (R)
Rep. Zooey 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 910 03/25/2023

HB 918 03/25/2023

HB 952 03/28/2023

HB 954 03/28/2023

HB 955 03/28/2023

Executive Action:

HEARING ON HB 955 - Legalize psilocybin use for PTSD/mental illness treatment

Opening Statement:

15:37:55 Rep. Jill Cohenour (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 955, Legalize psilocybin use for PTSD/mental illness treatment.

Discussion:

[EXHIBIT\(230329HUh1\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(230329HUh2\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(230329HUh3\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(230329HUh4\)](#)

Proponent Testimony:

15:42:45 Joe Cohenour, Self

15:46:05 Pepper Pedersen, Montana Plant Health Alliance

15:48:00 Maggie Bornstein, ACLU Montana

15:48:48 Benjamin Lacayo, Self

Opponent Testimony:

15:51:05 Kathleen Wedemeyer, Citizens Commission on Human Rights

Informational Witness Testimony:

15:53:03 Kristen Barbour, Cannabis Control Division

Questions from Committee:

15:53:44 Rep. George Nikolakakos

15:55:04 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D

15:56:44 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway

15:57:10 Kathleen Wedemeyer

15:58:08 Rep. Ed Stafman
15:58:37 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D
16:00:01 Rep. Gregory Frazer joined the meeting.
16:00:10 Rep. George Nikolakakos
16:00:38 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D
16:01:57 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway
16:02:19 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D
16:03:11 Rep. Amy Regier joined the meeting.
16:03:28 Rep. Nelly Nicol
16:03:40 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D
16:05:13 Rep. Michael Yakawich
16:05:46 Rep. Jill Cohenour-D

Closing Statement:

16:09:17 Rep. Jill Cohenour (D), HD 42, closed the hearing on HB 955.

**HEARING ON HB 918 - Eliminating DPHHS registration requirement of day-care homes
for zoning purposes**

Opening Statement:

16:10:54 Vice Chair Alice Buckley (D), HD 63, opened the hearing on HB 918,
Eliminating DPHHS registration requirement of day-care homes for zoning
purposes.

Proponent Testimony:

16:12:19 Paige Hammon, Self

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

16:14:31 Rep. Jodee Etchart
16:14:40 Rep. Alice Buckley-D
16:16:57 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway
16:17:08 Rep. Alice Buckley-D
16:17:49 Rep. Zooey Zephyr joined the meeting.
16:20:05 Rep. Greg Oblander
16:20:38 Rep. Alice Buckley-D
16:22:52 Chair Jennifer Carlson
16:23:26 Rep. Alice Buckley-D

Closing Statement:

16:23:31 Vice Chair Alice Buckley (D), HD 63, closed the hearing on HB 918.

HEARING ON HB 952 - Create grant program for autism facilities

Opening Statement:

16:24:11 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (R), HD 7, opened the hearing on HB 952, Create grant program for autism facilities.

Proponent Testimony:

16:26:56 Rich Janssen, Self
16:30:46 Shane Morigeau, SD 48
16:33:49 Patrick Yawakie, Self
16:34:30 Zachary Weber, Self

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

16:35:41 Mike Randol, Medicaid Director

Questions from Committee:

16:36:09 Rep. Nelly Nicol
16:36:36 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger-R
16:37:11 Rep. Jodee Etchart
16:37:32 Rich Janssen
16:41:33 Rep. Greg Oblander
16:41:53 Mike Randol
16:42:58 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway
16:43:19 Mike Randol
16:44:17 Vice Chair Lola Sheldon-Galloway
16:44:55 Rep. Ron Marshall joined the meeting.
16:45:29 Rick Janssen
16:58:23 Rep. SJ Howell
16:58:42 Shane Morigeau
17:04:59 Rep. Michael Yakawich
17:05:17 Mike Randol
17:09:06 Chair Jennifer Carlson
17:10:17 Mike Randol
17:11:19 Chair Jennifer Carlson
17:11:49 Rich Janssen
17:16:24 Rep. Nelly Nicol
17:16:52 Rich Janssen

Closing Statement:

17:17:13 Rep. Courtenay Sprunger (R), HD 7, closed the hearing on HB 952.

HEARING ON HB 910 - Provide for medicaid medical respite care program for homeless individuals

Opening Statement:

17:18:34 Rep. Ed Stafman (D), HD 62, opened the hearing on HB 910, Provide for medicaid medical respite care program for homeless individuals.

Proponent Testimony:

17:26:34 Sam Forstag, Montana Coalition to Solve Homelessness

17:27:16 Patrick Yawakie, Blackfeet Tribe

17:28:06 Stacy Anderson, Montana Primary Care Association

17:28:53 Erin McGowan, HRDC Association

17:30:29 Maggie Bornstein, ACLU Montana

17:31:13 Lauren Wilson, Montana Medical Association

17:31:39 Heather Grenier, HRDC

17:33:39 Laurie Walker, Bozeman Health

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

17:37:17 Mike Randol, Medicaid

Questions from Committee:

17:37:48 Chair Jennifer Carlson

17:38:55 Sam Forstag

17:39:13 Mike Randol

Closing Statement:

17:40:36 Rep. Ed Stafman (D), HD 62, closed the hearing on HB 910.

HEARING ON HB 954 - Revise day-care facility immunization requirements

Opening Statement:

17:43:18 Chair Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 954, Revise day-care facility immunization requirements.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

17:49:36 Ada Silva

17:51:50 Greg Holtzman, Montana Medical Association

17:54:31 Lauren Wilson, Montana Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics

17:56:49 Sophia Newcomer, Self

17:59:00 Kaitlyn Jensen, Zero to Five Montana

18:01:21 Ella Smith, Montana Advocates for Children

18:02:46 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association

18:04:03 Jennifer Hensley, County of Missoula

18:05:33 Tracy Moseman, DPHHS

18:07:19 Paula Stannard, DPHHS

18:09:09 Meghan Ballenger, Raise Montana

18:10:48 Tammy Christofferson, Self

18:12:58 Brandi Thomas, Self

18:14:30 Kiely Lammers, Montana Families for Vaccines

18:15:49 Lisa Dworak, Confluence Public Health Alliance

18:18:12 Sheryl Hutzenbiler, Munchkin Land, Billings

18:20:46 Nick Domitrovich, Self

Informational Witness Testimony:

18:22:50 Maggie Cook-Shimanek, DPHHS

Questions from Committee:

17:42:34 Chair Buttrey assumed the gavel

18:23:17 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

18:23:49 Tracy Moseman

18:25:03 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

18:25:30 Kaitlyn Jensen

18:26:17 Rep. Michael Yakawich

18:26:52 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R

18:29:55 Rep. Greg Oblander

18:30:09 Lauren Wilson

18:34:35 Rep. Wayne Rusk

18:35:07 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R

18:37:36 Vice Chair Alice Buckley

18:38:11 Rep. Jennifer Carlson-R

18:40:52 Rep. Edward Buttrey

18:41:28 Tracy Moseman

18:42:08 Paula Stannard

Closing Statement:

18:42:56 Chair Jennifer Carlson (R), HD 69, closed the hearing on HB 954.

18:47:16 Chair Carlson assumed the gavel

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 18:50:41

Katie Reeves, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230329HUHaad\)](#)