

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Jason Small-R, on January 11, 2023 at 8:31 AM, in 422

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Jason Small, Chair (R)
Sen. Willis Curdy, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Mark Noland, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Fox (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Walt Sales (R)
Sen. Terry Vermeire (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

Staff Present: Daisy Rhodes, Secretary
Erin Sullivan, Attorney

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 100 01/05/2023

SB 101 01/05/2023

SB 108 01/05/2023

Executive Action:

HEARING ON SB 108 - Revise laws related to proof of vehicle insurance

Opening Statement:

08:32:43 Sen. Barry Usher (R), SD 40, opened the hearing on SB 108, Revise laws related to proof of vehicle insurance.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

08:35:26 Sen. Mark Noland
08:35:38 Sen. Barry Usher-R
08:35:57 Sen. Mike Fox
08:36:27 Sen. Bruce Gillespie
08:37:04 Sen. Barry Usher-R
08:37:41 Sen. Bruce Gillespie
08:38:00 Sen. Barry Usher-R
08:38:24 Sen. Willis Curdy
08:38:46 Sen. Barry Usher-R

Closing Statement:

08:39:02 Sen. Barry Usher (R), SD 40, closed the hearing on SB 108.

HEARING ON SB 100 - Revising laws related to naturopaths and natural substances

Opening Statement:

09:19:21 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 12, opened the hearing on SB 100, Revising laws related to naturopaths and natural substances.

Proponent Testimony:

09:20:34 Ingrid Lovitt, Montana Association of Naturopathic Physicians (MANP)

[EXHIBIT\(230111BUSa1\)](#)

09:24:18 Dawn Dilli, Montana Association of Naturopathic Physicians (MANP)

09:26:46 Claire Michelson, self

[EXHIBIT\(230111BUSa2\)](#)

09:29:44 Elizabeth Stegmaier, self

09:32:45 Kristen Robbins, self

Opponent Testimony:

09:34:53 Jean Branscum, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

[EXHIBIT\(230111BUSa3\)](#)

09:43:45 Nicole Clark, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

[EXHIBIT\(230111BUSa4\)](#)

09:46:53 Kristin Anderson, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

Informational Witness Testimony:

09:49:25 Marcie Bough, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee:

08:44:27 Recessed

09:19:18 Reconvened

09:50:03 Sen. Jason Small

09:50:38 Marcie Bough, DLI

09:51:50 Sen. Jason Small

09:51:58 Sen. Mark Noland

09:52:10 Ingrid Lovitt, MANP

09:54:31 Sen. Jason Small

09:54:47	Elizabeth Stegmaier
09:57:14	Sen. Jason Small
09:58:04	Elizabeth Stegmaier
09:58:26	Sen. Jason Small
09:58:36	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
09:58:49	Sen. Jason Small
09:58:58	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:00:37	Sen. Bruce Gillespie
10:00:49	Jean Branscum, MMA
10:02:59	Sen. Bruce Gillespie
10:03:38	Dawn Dalili, MANP
10:04:55	Sen. Bruce Gillespie
10:05:00	Dawn Dalili, MANP
10:05:43	Sen. Willis Curdy
10:05:58	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:08:34	Sen. Willis Curdy
10:08:48	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:09:24	Sen. Walt Sales
10:10:10	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:11:59	Sen. Walt Sales
10:12:26	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:13:03	Sen. Walt Sales
10:14:23	Sen. Willis Curdy
10:14:55	Ingrid Lovitt, MANP

10:16:56 Sen. Willis Curdy
10:17:52 Kristen Robbins
10:19:43 Sen. Willis Curdy
10:20:19 Kristen Robbins
10:21:53 Sen. Jason Small
10:22:21 Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:24:37 Sen. Mark Noland
10:25:22 Dawn Dalili, MANP
10:28:33 Sen. Walt Sales
10:30:34 Jean Branscum, MMA
10:32:29 Sen. Jason Small
10:32:52 Jean Branscum, MMA
10:33:28 Sen. Jason Small

Closing Statement:

10:33:35 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 12, closed the hearing on SB 100.

HEARING ON SB 101 - Generally revise naturopathic in-office dispensing laws

Opening Statement:

10:39:42 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 12, opened the hearing on SB 101, Generally revise naturopathic in-office dispensing laws.

Proponent Testimony:

10:40:18 Ingrid Lovitt, Montana Association of Naturopathic Physicians (MANP)
10:41:52 Kendall Cotton, President, Frontier Institute
10:43:09 Bruce Spencer, Mountain Health Coop

Opponent Testimony:

10:44:57 Jean Branscum, CEO, Montana Medical Association (MMA)
10:47:11 Nicole Clark, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

Informational Witness Testimony:

10:48:44 Marcie Bough, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee:

10:49:48 Sen. Bruce Gillespie
10:50:47 Nicole Clark, MMA
10:51:58 Sen. Bruce Gillespie
10:52:42 Nicole Clark, MMA
10:53:49 Sen. Willis Curdy
10:54:24 Dawn Dalili, MANP
10:54:43 Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:55:47 Sen. Willis Curdy
10:55:59 Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:56:31 Sen. Willis Curdy
10:56:51 Kendell Cotton, Forensic Institute
10:57:17 Sen. Jason Small
10:57:29 Ingrid Lovitt, MANP
10:58:04 Dawn Dalili, MANP
11:00:07 Sen. Mike Fox
11:01:32 Kendell Cotton, Forensic Institute
11:01:55 Sen. Mike Fox
11:02:01 Sen. Walt Sales
11:02:57 Kendell Cotton, Forensic Institute

Closing Statement:

11:03:22 Sen. Greg Hertz (R), SD 12, closed the hearing on SB 101.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:04:32

Daisy Rhodes, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230111BUSaad\)](#)