

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Keith Regier-R, on May 02, 2023 at 8:59 AM, in 303

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Keith Regier, Chair (R)
Sen. Barry Usher, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Bob Brown (R)
Sen. Daniel Emrich (R)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Theresa Manzella (R)
Sen. Andrea Olsen (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Kathy Kelker (D)
Sen. Susan Webber (D)

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Attorney
Grace Gibney, 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:

HJ 17 05/01/2023
HJ 24 05/01/2023
HJ 26 05/01/2023
HJ 30 05/01/2023
HJ 33 05/01/2023

Executive Action:

HJ 33
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TABLE

HEARING ON HJ 33 - Study of abortion complications and abortion pill side effects

Opening Statement:

09:01:02 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R), HD 22, opened the hearing on HJ 33, Study of abortion complications and abortion pill side effects.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

09:04:56 Quinn Leighton, Montana Sexual and Reproductive Health Collective (MTSRHC)

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09:06:56 Robin Turner, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

09:08:05 Shawn Reagor, Montana Human Rights Network (MHRN)

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:09:08 Sen. Theresa Manzella

09:09:34 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R

09:12:02 Sen. Chris Friedel

09:12:45 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R

09:14:56 Sen. Andrea Olsen

09:15:58 Quinn Leighton, MTSRHC

09:18:14 Sen. Andrea Olsen

09:19:10 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R

09:20:49 Vice Chair Barry Usher
09:21:24 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R
09:21:30 Sen. Andrea Olsen
09:22:09 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway-R

Closing Statement:

09:22:31 Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R), HD 22, closed the hearing on HJ 33.

HEARING ON HJ 26 - Interim study of the regulation of social networking services

Opening Statement:

09:23:06 Rep. Larry Brewster (R), HD 44, opened the hearing on HJ 26, Interim study of the regulation of social networking services.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:25:45 Sen. Daniel Emrich
09:26:54 Rep. Larry Brewster-R
09:27:04 Vice Chair Jen Gross
09:27:59 Rep. Larry Brewster-R
09:29:18 Sen. Andrea Olsen
09:30:21 Rep. Larry Brewster-R
09:31:22 Sen. Chris Friedel

Closing Statement:

09:32:21 Rep. Larry Brewster (R), HD 44, closed the hearing on HJ 26.

HEARING ON HJ 30 - Study of criminal fines, fees, and forfeitures

Opening Statement:

09:33:23 Rep. Casey Knudsen (R), HD 33, opened the hearing on HJ 30, Study of criminal fines, fees, and forfeitures.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:35:21 Sen. Andrea Olsen

09:36:39 Rep. Casey Knudsen-R

09:36:43 Sen. Daniel Emrich

09:37:12 Rep. Casey Knudsen-R

Closing Statement:

09:38:50 Rep. Casey Knudsen (R), HD 33, closed the hearing on HJ 30.

HEARING ON HJ 24 - Interim study of prisons

Opening Statement:

09:41:18 Rep. Brad Barker (R), HD 58, opened the hearing on HJ 24, Interim study of prisons.

Proponent Testimony:

None

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:42:05 Sen. Chris Friedel

09:43:21 Rep. Brad Barker-R

Closing Statement:

09:43:53 Rep. Brad Barker (R), HD 58, closed the hearing on HJ 24.

HEARING ON HJ 17 - Interim study of facial recognition technology

Opening Statement:

09:44:18 Rep. Amy Regier (R), HD 6, opened the hearing on HJ 17, Interim study of facial recognition technology.

Proponent Testimony:

09:45:39 EJ Redding, Montana Security Industry Association

09:47:06 Dan Smith, Montana Police Protective Association (MPPA)

Opponent Testimony:

None

Informational Witness Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee:

09:47:39 Chair Keith Regier

09:48:10 EJ Redding, Montana Security Industry Association

Closing Statement:

09:48:39 Rep. Amy Regier (R), HD 6, closed the hearing on HJ 17.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 33 - Study of abortion complications and abortion pill side effects

09:53:21 **Motion:** Vice Chair Barry Usher moved that **HJ 33 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:53:34 Sen. Theresa Manzella

09:55:00 Sen. Andrea Olsen

09:53:21 **Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Olsen, Sen. Webber, voting no.
Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Webber, By Proxy

09:53:21 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Theresa Manzella

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 26 - Interim study of the regulation of social networking services

09:58:05 **Motion:** Vice Chair Barry Usher moved that **HJ 26 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:58:19 Sen. Theresa Manzella

09:58:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

09:58:05 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Chris Friedel

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 30 - Study of criminal fines, fees, and forfeitures

10:00:48 **Motion:** Vice Chair Barry Usher moved that **HJ 30 BE CONCURRED IN.**

10:00:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Emrich, Sen. Hinebauch, Sen. Manzella, Sen. Regier, voting no.

10:00:48 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Barry Usher

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 17 - Interim study of facial recognition technology

10:06:45 **Motion:** Vice Chair Barry Usher moved that **HJ 17 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

09:50:38 Executive Action

10:07:02 Sen. Andrea Olsen

10:07:53 Sen. Bob Brown

- 10:08:34 Sen. Daniel Emrich
- 10:09:15 Vice Chair Barry Usher
- 10:06:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Olsen, Sen. Webber, voting no.
Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Webber, By Proxy
- 10:06:45 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Barry Usher

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 24 - Interim study of prisons

- 10:13:10 **Motion:** Vice Chair Barry Usher moved that **HJ 24 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

- 10:13:21 Vice Chair Barry Usher
- 10:14:23 Sen. Bob Brown
- 10:15:03 Sen. Chris Friedel
- 10:15:33 Sen. Steve Hinebauch
- 10:13:10 **Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 5 by roll call vote with Sen. Emrich, Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Olsen, Sen. Webber, voting no.
Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Webber, By Proxy
- 10:13:10 **Carrier Assigned:** Sen. Chris Friedel

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 785 - Revise landlord-tenant laws

- 10:16:15 **Motion:** Sen. Andrea Olsen moved that **HB 785 TO TAKE FROM THE TABLE.**
- 11:02:15 **Vote:** Motion failed 7 - 4 by roll call vote with Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Olsen, Sen. Webber, voting yes.
Sen. Gross, Sen. Kelker, Sen. Webber, By Proxy

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:23:37

Grace Gibney, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230502JUSaad\)](#)