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TRANSITION REVIEW COMMITTEE
69th Montana Legislature

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		Melanie Williams	

MINUTES LOG

September 13, 2024
Room 102
Helena, Montana

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MEMBERS PRESENT:
Rep. Jennifer Carlson, Presiding Officer (R)
Sen. Christopher Pope, Vice Presiding Officer (D)
Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Dennis Lenz (R)
Ann Geiger, Public Member
Sara Hanson-Balamonte, Public Member
Heather O'Hara, Public Member
Shawna Karjala, Public Member
Melanie Williams, Public Member

MEMBERS EXCUSED:
Mike Lahr, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Dr. Reza Ghomi, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT:
Milly Allen, Research Analyst
Jolanda Songer, Secretary

MONTANA LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION STAFF: JERRY HOWE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR • ANGUS MACIVER, DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE AUDIT DIVISION • AMY CARLSON, DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE FISCAL DIVISION • TODD EVERTS, DIRECTOR, LEGAL SERVICES OFFICE • DALE GOW, CIO, OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SERVICES • RACHEL WEISS, RESEARCH DIRECTOR • ANGIE CARTER, FINANCIAL SERVICES MANAGER

AGENDA (Attachment 1)

VISITORS' LIST (Attachment 2)

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

08:32:48 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM. The committee secretary took roll.

OVERVIEW

08:34:15 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
EXHIBIT 1

DPHHS UPDATE AND REPORT

08:39:01 Shawna Karjala, Medicaid Complex Case Coordinator, Department of Public Health & Human Services (DPHHS)
EXHIBIT 2

Committee Questions and Discussion

08:45:26 Vice Presiding Officer Christopher Pope
08:46:36 Shawna Karjala, DPHHS
08:49:33 Paula Stannard, Legal Counsel, DPHHS
08:51:21 Dr. Douglas Harrington, State Medical Officer, DPHHS
08:51:52 Vice Presiding Officer Christopher Pope
08:53:20 Rep. Mary Caferro
08:55:25 Shawna Karjala
08:56:51 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
08:58:35 Rep. Mary Caferro
08:59:00 Rebecca de Camara, Administrator, DPHHS
09:00:18 Dr. Douglas Harrington, DPHHS
09:02:06 Heather O'Hara
09:02:38 Dr. Douglas Harrington
09:04:12 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:05:52 Ann Geiger, Executive Director, Liberty Place
09:06:29 Shawna Karjala
09:07:03 Sen. Dennis Lenz
09:07:38 Dr. Douglas Harrington
09:09:09 Sara Hansen-Baiamonte
09:09:28 Shawna Karjala
09:11:06 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:12:08 Lindsey Carter, Interim Administrator, Senior and Long-Term Care Division, DPHHS
09:12:57 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:13:53 Ann Geiger, Liberty Place
09:15:20 Rebecca de Camara, DPHHS

09:16:15	Shawna Karjala
09:16:44	Rebecca de Camara
09:17:13	Melanie Williams, Executive Director, Montana Alzheimer's Association (MAA)
09:19:57	Vice Presiding Officer Christopher Pope
09:20:41	Dr. Douglas Harrington
09:23:14	Shawna Karjala
09:23:44	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:24:38	Shawna Karjala
09:24:55	Dr. Douglas Harrington
09:26:23	Rebecca de Camara
09:30:03	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:31:13	Dr. Douglas Harrington
09:32:40	Rep. Mary Caferro (See Exhibit 1)
09:36:35	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:38:00	Rep. Mary Caferro
09:41:13	Rebecca de Camara
09:44:24	Lindsey Carter, DPHHS
09:44:53	Heather O'Hara
09:48:39	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:49:33	Lindsey Carter
09:57:35	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
09:59:15	Lindsey Carter
10:01:37	Sen. Dennis Lenz
10:02:56	Rebecca de Camara
10:03:21	Heather O'Hara
10:04:14	Lindsey Carter
10:07:12	Melanie Williams
10:08:10	Rep. Mary Caferro
10:08:29	Vice Presiding Officer Christopher Pope
10:10:23	Rebecca de Camara
10:11:22	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
10:13:33	Dr. Douglas Harrington
10:14:22	Rep. Jennifer Carlson
10:15:16	Rebecca de Camara
10:19:43	Presiding Officer Carlson
10:20:19	Rep. Mary Caferro
10:21:11	Rebecca de Camara
10:21:18	Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson EXHIBIT 3

10:23:38 Lindsey Carter

10:25:13 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SOLUTIONS UPDATE

10:29:06 Dr. Kristina Kovacs, Behavioral Health Solutions (BHS)
EXHIBIT 4

Committee Questions and Discussion

10:42:20 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

10:43:06 Stephanie Goetz, Nursing Facility Section Supervisor, Senior and Long-Term Care Division, DPHHS

10:44:11 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

10:44:34 Dr. Kristina Kovacs, BHS

10:45:42 Bill Treese, CEO, BHS

10:48:01 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

10:48:12 Bill Treese, BHS

10:48:36 Heather O'Hara

10:49:25 Stephanie Goetz, DPHHS

10:50:27 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

10:54:07 Rep. Mary Caferro

10:55:34 Dr. Kristina Kovacs

10:59:06 Ann Geiger, Liberty Place

11:00:01 Dr. Kristina Kovacs

11:04:24 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

11:05:15 Stephanie Goetz

11:09:01 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson

11:09:35 Dr. Kristina Kovacs

11:13:00 **Recessed**

11:27:43 **Reconvened**

LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES UPDATE

11:28:12 Rose Hughes, Executive Director, Montana Health Care Association (MHCA)
EXHIBIT 5

Committee Questions and Discussion

11:58:32 Rep. Mary Caferro

11:59:06 Rose Hughes, MHCA

12:04:56 Vice Presiding Officer Christopher Pope

12:06:00 Rose Hughes

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTER WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE TRANSITION REVIEW COMMITTEE

12:12:00 None

LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES UPDATE CONT
Committee Questions and Discussion

12:13:05 Melanie Williams
12:14:36 Shawna Karjala, DPHHS
12:15:18 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
12:17:06 Melanie Williams

WORK SESSION

12:19:14 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
(See Exhibit 3)
12:20:44 Shawna Karjala, DPHHS
12:25:12 Melanie Williams, MAA
12:28:48 Shawna Karjala
12:29:14 Rep. Mary Caferro
12:29:45 Ann Geiger, Liberty Place
12:30:44 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
12:31:45 Melanie Williams
12:33:27 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
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12:34:04 Rep. Mary Caferro
12:34:21 Milly Allen
12:34:34 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
12:36:39 Rep. Mary Caferro
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12:39:03 Sen. Dennis Lenz
12:40:39 Rose Hughes, MHCA
12:42:38 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
12:43:51 Heather O'Hara
12:44:34 Rep. Mary Caferro
12:46:56 Ann Geiger
12:50:32 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
12:51:40 Julia Hamilton, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
12:53:30 Rep. Mary Caferro
12:54:10 Ann Geiger
12:55:09 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
13:00:18 Shawna Karjala
13:00:27 Presiding Officer Jennifer Carlson
13:00:43 Rep. Mary Caferro
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ADJOURNMENT
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