

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By Vice Chair Janna Taylor, on April 10, 2007 at 3 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Eve Franklin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Tim Callahan (D)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Rep. Ray Hawk (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Rep. Joey Jayne (D)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. John L. Musgrove (D)
Rep. Rick Ripley (R)
Rep. Jon C. Sesso (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Craig Witte (R)

Members Excused: Rep. John Sinrud, Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Dave Kasten (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Linda Keim, Committee Secretary
Jon Moe, Legislative Branch

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: HJR 56, SB 400, SB 567, 4/6/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON SB 400

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:18 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 400, Earned income tax credit.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:56 Kelly Hart, Domestic Violence Economic Advocate, Montana Legal Services, Helena

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b01\)](#)

00:07:56 Kim Abbott, Montana Human Rights Network

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b02\)](#)

00:09:48 Olivia Riutta, Working for Equity and Economic Liberation (WEEL)

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b04\)](#)

00:12:18 Joy Bruck, volunteer advocate, AARP Montana

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b05\)](#)

00:14:21 Alysha Goheen, Montana Women Vote

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:15:38 Brian Olsen, Department of Revenue

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:09 Rep. Morgan

00:17:11 Sen. Kaufmann

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b06\)](#)

00:18:18 Rep. Witte

00:20:07 Mr. Olsen

00:21:06 Rep. Witte

00:21:49 Ms. Bruck

00:22:38 Rep. Taylor

00:23:05 Sen. Kaufmann

Closing by Sponsor:

00:23:31 Sen. Kaufmann

[EXHIBIT \(aph75b07\)](#)

HEARING ON HJR 56

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:26:21 Rep. Diane Sands (D), HD 95, opened the hearing on HJR 56, Study role of community and other health centers.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:32:25 Mary Beth Frideres, Montana Primary Care Association
[EXHIBIT \(aph75b08\)](#)

00:37:08 Linda Stoll, local Health Officers

00:38:10 Steve Yeakel, Montana Council for Community and Maternal Health

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:39:23 Rep. Taylor

00:39:28 Rep. Clark

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:55 Rep. Sands

00:40:25 Break

HEARING ON SB 567

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:49:19 Sen. Kim Gillan (D), SD 24, opened the hearing on SB 567, Impact assistance for major energy project development.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:54:23 Willie Duffield, Executive Director, Montana Coal and Oil Producing Counties

00:55:13 Bob Gilbert, self; Rosebud County

00:58:25 Gary Amestoy, Richland County Economic Development Corporation

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

01:02:38 Sen. Gillan

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:05 P.M.

REP. JOHN SINRUD, Chairman

LINDA KEIM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([aph75bad.pdf](#))