

MINUTES

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

**JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON CORRECTIONS AND PUBLIC
SAFETY**

Call to Order: By Chairman Ray Hawk, on January 12, 2007 at 8:00
A.M., in Room 317a Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ray Hawk, Chairman (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus, Vice Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Rep. Bill Beck (R)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Katie Butcher, Committee Secretary
Pat Gervais, Legislative Branch
Pam Joehler, 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:

Hearings: Informational Hearing
Executive Action: None

Meeting with the Department of Corrections

00:00:08 Chairman Hawk
00:01:24 Pam Bunke, Administrator of Adult Corrections,
Department of Corrections
00:07:08 Break
00:07:53 Reconvened
00:08:20 Administrator Bunke
00:09:57 Break
00:12:00 Reconvened
00:12:46 Administrator Bunke
00:13:42 Chairman Hawk
00:13:49 Administrator Bunke
00:14:33 Kerry Pribnow, Contract Manager, State Pre-Release
00:16:45 Sen. Schmidt
00:17:31 Manager Pribnow
00:17:52 Chairman Hawk
00:18:00 Sen. Bales
00:18:47 Manager Pribnow
00:18:54 Kara Sperle
00:19:16 Sen. Bales
00:19:28 Ms. Sperle
00:19:35 Sen. Schmidt
00:19:45 Pat Gervais
00:21:57 Chairman Hawk
00:22:04 Sen. Gallus
00:23:05 Manager Pribnow
00:24:22 Chairman Hawk
00:24:33 Manager Pribnow
00:24:41 Chairman Hawk
00:24:45 Manager Pribnow
00:24:52 Chairman Hawk
00:25:01 Manager Pribnow
00:26:00 Sen. Bales
00:26:07 Pat Gervais
00:27:32 Chairman Hawk
00:27:39 Sen. Schmidt
00:27:55 Pat Gervais
00:28:32 Sen. Schmidt
00:28:54 Pat Gervais
00:29:12 Sen. Schmidt
00:29:18 Administrator Bunke
00:29:44 Chairman Hawk
00:30:20 Administrator Bunke
00:30:30 Ms. Sperle
00:31:00 Manager Pribnow
00:31:31 Chairman Hawk
00:31:43 Administrator Bunke

00:32:47 Ron Alsbury, Probation and Parol, Department of
Corrections

EXHIBIT (jch08a01)

00:48:48 Chairman Hawk
00:48:55 Rep. Beck
00:49:18 Mr. Alsbury
00:49:29 Rep. Beck
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00:51:33 Rep. Beck
00:51:49 Mr. Alsbury
00:52:56 Rep. Beck
00:53:00 Pat Gervais
00:53:26 Rep. Beck
00:53:36 Chairman Hawk
00:54:00 Mr. Alsbury
00:55:08 Brent Doig, OBPP
00:55:42 Chairman Hawk
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00:58:38 Chairman Hawk
00:58:43 Mr. Alsbury
00:59:22 Erik Carlson, State Adult Parole Officer
01:08:47 Chairman Hawk
01:08:54 Sen. Schmidt
01:08:59 Chairman Hawk
01:09:03 Officer Carlson
01:09:09 Sen. Schmidt
01:09:15 Officer Carlson
01:09:38 Sen. Gallus
01:10:51 Officer Carlson
01:11:12 Sen. Gallus
01:11:16 Rep. Beck
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01:12:06 Officer Carlson
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01:12:22 Mr. Alsbury
01:14:40 Chairman Hawk

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01:14:45 Sen. Gallus
01:16:09 Mr. Alsbury
01:17:33 Chairman Hawk
01:17:46 Pat Gervais
01:19:35 Chairman Hawk
01:19:57 Pam Bunke
01:20:19 Mike Mahoney, Warden, Montana State Prison
01:22:44 Chairman Hawk
01:23:14 James Klessens, Hardin Prison

EXHIBIT (jch08a02)

01:27:41 Tom McKerleck, Hardin Prison

EXHIBIT (jch08a03)

01:31:37 Chairman Hawk
01:31:42 Sen. Gallus
01:32:40 Mr. McKerleck
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01:51:53 Break
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02:06:38 Mike Ferriter, Director of the Montana Department of Corrections

02:08:49 Chairman Hawk

02:08:52 Steve Gibson, Administrator of the Youth Services Division

EXHIBIT (jch08a04)

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EXHIBIT (jch08a06)

02:28:17 Chairman Hawk

02:28:25 Administrator Gibson

02:32:30 Karen Duncan, Youth Community Bureau Chief

02:39:56 Administrator Gibson

02:40:29 Geoff Birnbaum

02:48:20 Chairman Hawk

02:48:30 Faron McWilliams, Services Coordinator

02:52:18 Jacob Weaver

02:54:56 Administrator Gibson

02:55:20 Senator Jeff Mangum

03:02:20 Chairman Hawk

03:02:29 Administrator Gibson

03:03:26 Chairman Hawk

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03:45:05 Jim Hunter, Administrator, Pine Hills Youth Facility
03:50:54 Chairman Hawk
03:51:10 Sen. Bales
03:51:30 Chairman Hawk
03:51:44 Director Ferriter

Public Comment:

03:53:03 Vance Curtiss, Chairman, State Board of Pardons and
Paroles

Comments from Committee:

03:55:30 Chairman Hawk
03:55:57 Sen. Gallus
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ADJOURNMENT

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REP. RAY HAWK, Chairman

KATIE BUTCHER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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