

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chairwoman Teresa K. Henry, on January 30, 2009 at
8:03 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Teresa K. Henry, Chairwoman (D)
Sen. Dave Lewis, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Rep. Penny Morgan (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Marilyn Daumiller, Legislative Branch
Ryan Evans, OBPP
Erin Powers, OBPP
Donna Small, Committee Secretary
Lois Steinbeck, Legislative Branch
Pat Sullivan, OBPP
Kris Wilkinson, 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:

Public Testimony, Addictive and Mental Disorders:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 2, 1/27/2009

Executive Action: None

**Public Testimony Regarding the Success of Alternative Ways to
Address Addiction**

00:00:01 Chairwoman Teresa Henry
00:02:24 J.C. Weingartener, MEA-MFT
00:10:21 Mike Ruppert, Chief Executive Officer, Boyd Anderson
Treatments
00:16:52 Chairwoman Henry
00:17:14 Drew McDowell, Olive Branch
00:19:55 Sen. Schmidt
00:20:39 Mr. McDowell
00:20:55 Rep. Roberts
00:21:19 Sen. Schmidt
00:20:24 Mr. McDowell
00:20:53 Sen. Schmidt
00:22:07 Mr. McDowell
00:22:48 Sen. Schmidt
00:22:58 Cameron Rickard, Olive Branch
00:25:15 Shelly Johnson, Director of Alcohol/Drug Services,
Bozeman
00:26:30 Ellie Hill, Executive Director, Poverello Center,
Missoula

EXHIBIT (jhh22a01)

00:32:20 Sen. Schmidt
00:32:40 Ms. Hill
00:33:50 Rep. Morgan
00:34:24 Lou Thompson, Administrator, Addictive and Mental
Disorders Division, Department of Public Health and
Human Services (DPHHS)
00:35:45 Rep. Morgan
00:35:55 Ms. Thompson
00:36:20 Rep. Morgan
00:36:39 Ms. Thompson
00:37:17 Rep. Morgan
00:37:30 Ms. Steinbeck, Legislative Fiscal Division, LFD
00:37:59 Rep. Morgan
00:38:10 Ms. Steinbeck
00:39:23 Chairwoman Henry
00:40:12 Ms. Hill
00:41:15 Sen. Schmidt
00:41:37 Ms. Steinbeck
00:41:42 Chairwoman Henry
00:42:24 Rep. Morgan
00:43:19 Sen. Schmidt
00:43:36 Ms. Thompson
00:44:02 Laurence Jackson, Blue Thunder Lodge
00:46:33 Justin Watson, Blue Thunder Lodge
00:50:18 Chairwoman Henry
00:50:24 Donald Fish, Case Manager, Blue Thunder Lodge

00:54:17 John Rex, Program Director, Chemical Dependency Program
for Eastern Montana, Miles City

EXHIBIT (jhh22a02)

00:55:34 Coralee Goni, Rimrock Foundation, Billings

EXHIBIT (jhh22a03)

00:59:03 Leslie Carson, Montana Mental Health Association
Drop-In Center, Bozeman

EXHIBIT (jhh22a04)

01:01:19 Rep. Morgan

01:01:08 Vice Chairman Lewis

01:03:28 Ms. Carson

01:02:41 Vice Chairman Lewis

01:04:07 Aiden Myre, Montana Addiction Services Providers

01:06:12 Mona Jamison, Attorney and Lobbyist for Boyd Andrews

01:06:07 Sen. Lewis

01:08:13 Recess

01:28:08 Reconvene

01:27:48 Chairwoman Henry

01:27:59 Sen. Schmidt

01:29:01 Mr. Ruppert

01:30:01 Sen. Lewis

01:30:58 Sen. Schmidt

01:31:10 Mr. Ruppert

01:32:59 Chairwoman Henry

01:34:46 Frank Lane, Executive Director, Eastern Montana
Community Mental Health Center

01:38:12 John Watson, Chairmen, Open Arms Drop-In Center,
Bozeman

01:40:01 Kyna Cassias

01:41:45 Rep. Roberts

01:43:31 Shirley Wooster

01:44:55 Dr. Gary Mahelish

01:48:01 Terri Byrd

01:50:25 Dr. Donald Harr, Retired Psychiatrist

01:52:49 Skip Rosenthal, Executive Director, Western Montana
Addiction Services

01:54:05 Debra Lanham

01:56:16 Barbara Eveland

01:58:25 David Boie

02:00:18 Alyce Anderson, Chairwoman, Western Service Area
for Mental Health Services

EXHIBIT (jhh22a05)

02:04:13 Stacey Wheeler, Vice Chairwoman, Western Service
Area for Mental Health Services

02:02:55 Christine Hartzmann

02:04:55 Sunny Terry

02:07:28 Charlotte Merran

02:09:58 Brooke Jaqueth, Peer Advocate
02:12:25 Jeri Stewart, RN, NAMI, Support Group Coordinator
02:15:27 Alexandra Wolkerts
02:18:09 Lynette Adonai
02:20:26 Rick Stevens, Peer Support Specialist, Butte
02:23:35 Amy Skordal, Crisis Center Manager, Helena
02:25:09 Shane Nerborne
02:25:55 Amber Montgomery, Peer Support Specialist, Butte

EXHIBIT (jhh22a06)

02:28:17 Jim Nikodym
02:29:59 Gary Travis, Disabled Veteran

02:32:11 Recess
02:46:12 Reconvene

02:46:34 Christina Avey, Veteran with Service Dog
02:49:40 Thomas Camel
02:52:44 Rep. Arlene Becker, HD 52
02:55:55 Rep. Morgan
02:56:55 Ms. Thompson
02:57:45 Rep. Morgan
02:58:15 Ms. Thompson
02:59:12 Rep. Becker
02:59:52 Rep. Morgan
03:00:13 Ms. Becker
03:00:10 Chairwoman Henry
03:00:50 Carol Metz
03:01:02 Sally Moffitt
03:02:08 Dennis Cox
03:03:18 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Association
of Mental Illness, Montana

EXHIBIT (jhh22a07)

03:05:55 Linda Reinhart, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Park
County

EXHIBIT (jhh22a08)

03:08:32 Randal Folstrom
03:09:24 Elaine Bruce, Rocky Mountain Development Council's
Drop-In Center
03:11:20 Carol McCarrow
03:13:06 Mikki Brown, Helena Program Director, Rocky Mountain
Development Council
03:14:49 Jim Hajny, Livingston Drop-In Center, Livingston

EXHIBIT (jhh22a09)

03:04:38 Lori Burgess
03:19:12 Sandy Granger
03:20:45 Kimberly Edwards
03:21:49 Sandra Hanlin
03:23:30 Jacob Wagner, Chairman, Gallatin Local Advisory Council
for Mental Health, Bozeman

03:26:12 Suzann Chvilicek, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
03:28:27 Mike Foster, Harlowton Hospital and all Montana
Catholic hospitals
03:25:52 Anita Roessmann, Disability Rights Association,
03:34:56 Kathy McGowan, Montana Sheriffs, Peace Officers and
County Attorneys
02:22:56 Paul Meyer, Executive Director, Western Montana Mental
Health Center
03:37:24 Ann Gholz
03:38:54 Bob Olson, Montana Hospital Association
03:41:42 Paula Lester
03:42:05 Jed Schapley
03:43:59 Rep. Morgan
03:44:30 Linette Adonair
03:45:20 Rep. Morgan
03:46:55 Chairwoman Henry

ADJOURNMENT

03:47:25 Adjournment: 11:45 A.M.

Donna Small, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([jhh22aad.pdf](#))