

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on January 31, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. David Howard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Timothy Furey (D)
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. Michael (Mike) More (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Miranda Keaster, Committee Secretary
Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 239, 1/20/2011
Executive Action: HB 30, HB 43, HB 35, HB 183, HB 153, HB 184, HB 185

HEARING ON HB 239**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:18 Rep. Cary Smith (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 239, Mandated benefits review by Insurance Commissioner for Legislature.

EXHIBIT(huh24a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:51 Susan Witte, Allegiance
00:06:03 Frank Cote, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana
00:06:46 Jon Bennion, Montana Chamber of Commerce
00:07:38 Riley Johnson, National Federation of Independent Businesses
00:08:39 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:47 Rep. Ingraham
00:10:40 Rep. Smith
00:12:17 Rep. Ingraham
00:12:29 Rep. Smith
00:12:34 Rep. Hunter
00:13:26 Frank Cote, Blue Cross Blue Shield
00:13:41 Rep. Hunter
00:14:25 Frank Cote
00:16:45 Rep. Hunter
00:17:29 Frank Cote

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:53 Rep. Smith

00:22:32 Chairman Howard
00:23:17 Rep. Noonan
00:23:29 Recess
00:41:08 Reconvene

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 43

00:41:36 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 43 DO PASS.**

00:42:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 43 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Pease-Lopez voting no. Rep. Kennedy voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(huh24a02)

00:45:19 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Service Division (LSD)

00:45:48 **Motion:** Rep. Fitzpatrick moved that **HB 43 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(huh24a03)

Discussion:

00:45:57 Sue O'Connell
00:47:42 Rep. Furey
00:48:48 Chairman Roberts
00:49:26 Rep. Hill
00:49:58 Rep. Bangerter
00:51:01 Sue O'Connell
00:51:44 Rep. Skattum
00:52:06 Rep. Hill
00:52:38 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:53:24 Rep. Hunter
00:53:48 Sue O'Connell
00:54:29 Rep. Hunter
00:54:52 Sue O'Connell
00:55:11 Rep. Smith
00:55:18 Rep. Yates
00:55:41 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:55:56 Sue O'Connell
00:56:53 Rep. Yates
00:57:26 Sue O'Connell
00:57:36 Chairman Howard
00:58:09 Sue O'Connell

00:58:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Yates voting no. Rep. Kennedy voted by proxy.

00:58:23 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 43 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:59:34 Rep. Hunter
01:00:45 Sue O'Connell
01:01:27 Rep. Furey
01:02:43 Rep. Smith
01:03:37 Rep. Hunter
01:03:56 Chairman Howard
Rep. Kennedy entered.

01:05:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill and Rep. Noonan voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 30

01:06:55 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 30 DO PASS.**

01:07:14 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 30 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(huh24a04)

Discussion:

01:10:05 Rep. Kennedy

01:10:31 Sue O'Connell

01:11:13 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill and Rep. Noonan voting no.

01:12:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 30 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter and Rep. Noonan voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 35

01:13:52 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 35 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:14:08 Rep. Noonan

01:14:17 Sue O'Connell

01:15:27 Rep. Hunter

01:16:16 Rep. Smith

01:16:48 Rep. Noonan

01:17:30 Rep. Pease-Lopez

01:17:47 Sue O'Connell

01:19:32 Chairman Howard

01:20:11 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

01:21:03 Chairman Howard

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 153

01:21:13 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 153 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:21:19 Chairman Howard

01:21:38 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 153 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(huh24a05)

Discussion:

01:21:53 Chairman Howard
01:21:58 Rep. Smith
01:22:46 Chairman Howard
01:22:58 Rep. Noonan
01:23:03 Rep. Smith

01:23:17 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

01:23:57 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 153 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:24:06 Chairman Howard
01:24:10 Rep. Hunter
01:25:15 Chairman Howard
01:25:18 Rep. Kennedy
01:25:40 Rep. Smith
01:26:55 Chairman Howard

01:26:59 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Pease-Lopez voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 183

01:28:04 Chairman Howard

01:28:42 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 183 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:28:50 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 183 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(huh24a06\)](#)

Discussion:

01:29:02 Chairman Howard
01:29:06 Rep. Smith
01:29:53 Chairman Howard

01:30:02 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

01:30:24 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 183 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:31:02 Rep. More
01:31:25 Rep. Smith
01:31:36 Rep. More
01:31:48 Chairman Howard
01:31:53 Rep. Hunter
01:33:09 Chairman Howard
01:33:17 Rep. Skattum
01:33:37 Rep. Smith
01:36:26 Rep. Furey
01:37:36 Rep. Smith
01:39:25 Rep. Furey
01:39:54 Rep. Smith
01:40:09 Rep. Furey
01:40:27 Rep. Smith
01:40:35 Chairman Howard
01:40:40 Rep. Kennedy
01:40:49 Rep. Smith
01:41:23 Rep. Howard

01:41:29 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Furey, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Pease-Lopez voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 184

01:42:28 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 184 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:43:18 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 184 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(huh24a07)

Discussion:

01:44:14 Chairman Howard
01:44:22 Rep. Ingraham
01:44:39 Rep. Smith
01:45:07 Rep. Furey
01:47:16 Rep. Smith
01:48:47 Rep. More

01:48:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:49:14 Chairman Howard

01:49:20 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 184 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:49:26 Rep. More
01:50:00 Rep. Smith
01:52:18 Chairman Howard

01:52:70 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Bangerter, Rep. Hill, Rep. Hunter, Rep. More, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Pease-Lopez and Rep. Skattum voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 185

01:53:49 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 185 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:54:06 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 185 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(huh24a08)

Discussion:

01:54:20 Rep. Bangerter
01:54:55 Chairman Howard
01:55:30 Rep. Smith

01:55:30 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:56:00 **Motion:** Rep. C. Smith moved that **HB 185 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:56:12 Rep. Bangerter

01:57:19 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:58:25

Miranda Keaster, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits

[EXHIBIT\(huh24a09\)](#)

Additional Documents:

[EXHIBIT\(huh24aad.pdf\)](#)