

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

Call to Order: Chair Jason Priest, on March 14, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jason Priest, Chair (R)
Sen. Terry Murphy, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Kim Gillan (D)
Sen. Rowlie Hutton (R)
Sen. Dave Lewis (R)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Liane Taylor, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 25, 3/9/2011

HEARING ON HB 25

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:32 Rep. Don Roberts (R), HD 56, opened the hearing on HB 25, Revise law related to medical assistance programs.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:00 Candace Payne, representing Montana Dental Association (MDA) and Rimrock Foundation (RF)

00:07:40 Mike Foster, Catholic Hospitals (CH)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:09:19 Mary Ann Guggenheim, Board of Medical Examiners (BME)

EXHIBIT(phs57a01)

00:19:31 Mike Ramirez, Montana Professional Assistance Program, Inc. (MPAP)

00:24:06 Maggie Connor, Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI)

00:25:05 Greg Van Horssen, self

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:27:42 Sen. Gillan

00:28:32 Mike Ramirez, MPAP

00:32:09 Sen. Gillan

00:32:37 Mike Ramirez

00:34:26 Sen. Gillan

00:34:42 Rep. Roberts

Closing by Sponsor:

00:36:43 Rep. Roberts

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 559

00:38:46 Sen. Priest

EXHIBIT(phs57a02)

00:39:02 **Motion:** Sen. Hutton moved that **HB 559 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:39:16 **Motion:** Sen. Van Dyk moved that **HB 559 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:40:32 Sen. Van Dyk
00:41:00 Sen. Lewis
00:41:18 Sen. Van Dyk
00:41:33 Sen. Hutton
00:42:09 Julianne Burkhardt, LSD
00:42:27 Sen. Van Dyk
00:42:50 Sen. Priest

00:42:57 Motions withdrawn. Executive action will be readdressed on Wednesday.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 573

00:43:45 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Van Dyk moved that **HB 573 BE CONCURRED IN**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present and voting. Sen. Van Dyk will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 526

00:45:33 **Motion:** Sen. Hutton moved that **HB 526 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

00:46:09 Julianne Burkhardt, LSD
[EXHIBIT\(phs57a03\)](#)

00:48:25 **Motion:** Sen. Murray moved that **HB 526 BE AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:48:54 Sen. Caferro

00:49:41 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-3 by roll call vote with Senators Caferro, Gillan, Van Dyk voting no and Senators Essmann and Gillan voting by proxy

00:50:37 **Motion:** Sen. Hutton moved that **HB 526 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

00:50:59 Sen. Caferro
00:52:13 Sen. Priest
00:53:39 Sen. Caferro

00:54:36 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-3 by roll call vote with Senators Caferro, Gillan and Van Dyk voting no and Senators Essmann and Gillan voting by proxy. Sen. Priest will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

00:56:46 Adjournment:

Liane Taylor, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([phs57aad.pdf](#))