

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

**Call to Order:** Chair David Howard, on January 16, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. David Howard, Chair (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)  
Rep. Jenifer Gursky (D)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)  
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)  
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)  
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)  
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Sara Andersen, Committee Secretary  
Sue O'Connell, 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: HB 119, 1/08/2013; HB 76, 1/08/2013; HB 75, 1/08/2013

00:26:55 Chairman Howard

**HEARING ON HB 119**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:27:34 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 119, Allow payment of expenses for deceased Medicaid and MT healthy kid enrollees.  
00:29:11 Chairman Howard

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:29:24 Duane Preshinger, Health Resources Division, Department of Health and Human Services, DPHHS  
00:30:24 Jim Ahrens, Montana Advocates for Children

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:31:34 Rep. Ingraham  
00:31:53 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:31:58 Rep. Ingraham  
00:32:23 Chairman Howard  
00:32:34 Rep. Ingraham  
00:32:45 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:33:18 Rep. Wagoner  
00:33:34 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:34:02 Rep. Jacobson  
00:34:14 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:34:23 Rep. Gursky  
00:34:56 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:35:37 Rep. Gursky  
00:35:52 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:36:37 Rep. Gursky  
00:37:01 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:37:23 Rep. Pierson  
00:37:37 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:37:50 Rep. Pierson  
00:38:08 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:38:37 Rep. Pierson  
00:38:53 Mr. Preshinger, DPHHS  
00:39:17 Chairman Howard

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:39:29 Rep. Pease-Lopez

**HEARING ON HB 75****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:40:11 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 75, Require DPHHS undertake accreditation process for children and family services.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:42:24 April Hall, Self  
00:43:09 Mary Leibrand, Self  
00:44:15 Lois Leibrand, Self  
00:46:41 Lisa Stroh, President of Montanans Against Child Abuse

**Opponents' Testimony:** None**Informational Testimony:**

00:54:35 Sarah Corbally, Child and Family Services Division, DPHHS

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:55:09 Rep. Reichner  
00:55:31 Jim Carney, Child and Family Services Division, DPHHS  
00:56:50 Rep. Reichner  
00:57:04 Mr. Carney  
00:57:11 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
00:57:51 Jacobson  
00:58:25 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
00:58:36 Rep. Jacobson  
00:58:41 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
00:59:28 Rep. Jacobson  
00:59:36 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
00:59:39 Rep. Ingraham  
01:00:35 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:03:15 Rep. Wagoner  
01:03:36 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:03:59 Rep. Wagoner  
01:04:05 Rep. Jacobson  
01:04:14 Rep. Howard  
01:04:30 Rep. Jacobson  
01:05:27 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:06:03 Rep. Gursky  
01:06:18 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
01:06:22 Rep. Gursky  
01:06:33 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
01:06:36 Rep. Gursky  
01:07:03 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
01:10:54 Rep. Gursky  
01:11:03 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
01:12:18 Chairman Howard

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:12:24 Rep. Pease-Lopez

**HEARING ON HB 76****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:13:23 Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HB 76, Creating an independent office of child and family ombudsman.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:16:17 April Hall, Self  
01:21:21 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Associations of Churches (MAC)  
01:22:51 Mary Leibrand, Self  
01:25:03 Lois Leibrand, Self  
01:28:08 Lisa Stroh, President, Montanans Against Child Abuse  
01:31:47 Jim Ahrens, Montana Advocates for Children  
01:32:37 Keith Newmeyer, Self

**Opponents' Testimony:** None**Informational Testimony:**

01:33:49 Jon Bennion, Montana Department of Justice, (DOJ)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:34:47 Rep. Pierson  
01:34:55 Mr. Bennion, DOJ  
01:35:30 Rep. Harris  
01:36:10 Mr. Bennion, DOJ  
01:37:12 Rep. Jacobson  
01:37:24 Mr. Bennion, DOJ  
01:37:34 Rep. Jacobson  
01:37:48 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
01:38:12 Rep. Jacobson  
01:38:22 Ms. O'Connell, LSD  
01:38:55 Rep. Jacobson  
01:39:08 Rep. Reichner  
01:39:45 Mr. Bennion, DOJ  
01:41:09 Rep. Ingraham  
01:41:59 Mr. Bennion, DOJ  
01:42:58 Rep. Ingraham  
01:44:09 Ms. Stroh, Montanans Against Child Abuse  
01:45:22 Rep. Ingraham  
01:46:34 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:48:23 Rep. Ingraham  
01:48:38 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:48:45 Rep. Ingraham  
01:48:57 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
01:49:04 Rep. Ingraham  
01:49:34 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:50:27 Rep. Pease-Lopez

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Sara Andersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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