

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Krayton Kerns, on February 5, 2013 at 8:00 AM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Krayton Kerns, Chair (R)
Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Margaret (Margie) MacDonald, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)
Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)
Rep. Jenifer Gursky (D)
Rep. David Halvorson (R)
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)
Rep. Sarah Laszloffy (R)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Carolyn Pease-Lopez (D)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Keith Regier (R)
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Helen Thigpen, 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 335, 1/30/2013; HB 359, 2/1/2013; SB 73, 2/1/2013

00:14:55 Chairman Kerns

HEARING ON HB 352

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:02 Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R), HD 20, opened the hearing on HB 352, Revise justice court laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:18:39 Judge Larry Carver, Montana Magistrates Association (MMA)
[EXHIBIT\(juh25a01\)](#) Attorney General's Opinion

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:23:56 Rep. Court
00:24:41 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:24:50 Judge Carver, MMA
00:25:39 Rep. Gursky
00:26:04 Judge Carver, MMA
00:26:34 Rep. O'Neil
00:27:01 Judge Carver, MMA
00:27:54 Rep. O'Neil
00:28:02 Judge Carver, MMA
00:28:25 Rep. MacDonald
00:28:49 Judge Carver, MMA
00:29:29 Rep. MacDonald
00:29:36 Rep. Regier arrived.
00:29:52 Judge Carver, MMA
00:30:37 Rep. Doane
00:31:25 Judge Carver, MMA
00:32:19 Rep. Fiscus
00:32:33 Judge Carver, MMA
00:32:41 Rep. Fiscus
00:32:48 Judge Carver, MMA

Closing by Sponsor:

00:33:13 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:34:05 Rep. Warburton

HEARING ON SB 73

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:34:43 Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D), SD 41, opened the hearing on SB 73, Repeal DARE program.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:37:08 Brooke Marshall, Director, Board of Crime Control (BCC)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:38:27 Rep. Kaufman

00:38:55 Chairman Kerns

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:39:18

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([juh25aad.pdf](#))