

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on March 5, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 102 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

##### **Members Present:**

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Rep. Steve Gibson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)  
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)  
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)  
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)  
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)  
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Joe Triem, 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 101, 2/27/2013; HB 402, 2/27/2013; HB 404, 2/27/2013;  
HB 444, 2/27/2013; HB 452, 2/27/2013; HB 517, 2/27/2013;  
HB 556, 2/27/2013

00:13:23 Chair Ankney  
 00:17:14 Rep. Noonan and Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

### HEARING ON HB 452

#### Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:15:09 Rep. Rob Cook (R), HD 27, opened the hearing on HB 452, Assist with impacts of natural resource development.

#### Proponents' Testimony:

00:16:33 Jerry Jimison, Mayor, Glendive

#### EXHIBIT(aph47a01)

00:17:33 Rep. Edmunds and Rep. Cuffe arrived.

00:17:51 Rep. Cuffe left.

00:22:15 Alec Hansen, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MTLCT)

#### EXHIBIT(aph47a02)

00:28:29 Joseph Sands, Montana State Council of Professional Firefighters (MSCOPFF)

00:29:38 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:31:19 Bob Gilbert, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties

#### Opponents' Testimony:

00:31:55 Sandra Thares, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association, and Owner, O'Haire Motor Inn, Great Falls

00:33:31 Matt Sease, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Board, Bozemen and Belgrade Lodging Association and General Manager, Super 8, Bozeman

Informational Testimony: None

#### Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:38:29 Rep. Gibson

00:38:50 Rep. Cook

00:38:55 Rep. Gibson

00:39:12 Rep. Cook

00:39:27 Mr. Hansen, MTLCT

00:40:23 Rep. Ballance

00:40:40 Rep. Cook

00:40:44 Rep. Ballance

00:41:12 Rep. Cook

00:41:21 Rep. Ballance

00:41:28 Rep. Osmundson left.

00:41:34 Rep. Cook

00:41:50 Rep. Ballance

00:42:02 Rep. Hollenbaugh left.

00:42:07 Rep. Cook

00:42:23 Rep. Hollandsworth

00:42:48 Rep. Brodehl

00:43:28 Mr. Hansen, MTLCT

00:44:47 Rep. Brodehl

00:45:09 Mr. Hansen, MTLCT

00:45:30 Rep. Gibson

00:46:02 Rep. Jones  
00:46:20 Rep. Cook  
00:46:24 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.  
00:46:52 Rep. Jones  
00:47:02 Rep. Cuffe arrived.  
00:47:13 Rep. Cook

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:47:45 Rep. Cook

**HEARING ON HB 517**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:50:45 Rep. Mike Cuffe (R), HD 2, opened the hearing on HB 517, Revise natural resources operation account revenue sources.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:52:44 Dan Villa, Budget Director, Office of Budget and Programming Planning (OBPP)

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:53:59 Rep. Ballance  
00:54:11 Rep. Noonan and Rep. Gibson left.  
00:54:44 Rep. Cuffe  
00:54:52 Rep. Cook  
00:54:56 Rep. Mehlhoff left.

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:55:34 Rep. Cuffe

00:55:39 Rep. Gibson arrived.

00:55:48 Rep. Brodehl left.

**HEARING ON HB 404**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:56:22 Rep. Kelly Flynn (R), HD 68, opened the hearing on HB 404, Provide funding for block management program.

00:57:22 Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:58:09 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association  
00:58:49 Rep. Gibson left.  
00:59:29 John Youngberg, Montana Farmers Bureau Federation (MFBF)  
01:00:26 Keith Kubista, Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife

01:01:30 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association and Montana Cattlemen's Association  
01:02:35 Rep. Gibson and Rep. Brodehl arrived.

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:02:47 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation  
01:04:00 Justin Sakalis, Montana Audubon

**Informational Testimony:**

01:04:21 Jeff Hagener, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:05:09 Rep. McChesney  
01:05:43 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:06:03 Rep. Edmunds left.  
01:06:19 Rep. McChesney  
01:06:49 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:06:55 Rep. McChesney  
01:07:20 Rep. Edmunds arrived.  
01:07:46 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:08:35 Rep. McChesney  
01:08:49 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:08:59 Rep. McChesney  
01:09:20 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:09:53 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
01:10:31 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:11:34 Rep. Ballance  
01:11:55 Mr. Hagener, FWP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:12:10 Rep. Flynn

**HEARING ON HB 556**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:14:29 Rep. Mike Cuffe (R), HD 2, opened the hearing on HB 556, Revise laws related to coal severance tax allocations.

**Proponents' Testimony:** None

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:16:20 Rep. Cuffe  
01:16:34 Rep. Osmundson arrived.

**HEARING ON HB 101****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:17:03 Rep. Ron Ehli (R), HD 88, opened the hearing on HB 101, Increase reimbursement rates for children's medicaid mental health services.

01:17:20 Rep. Noonan arrived.

01:18:06 Rep. Gibson left.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:18:55 Sheila Smith, Western Montana Community Mental Health Center and Director, Children's Mental Health Services, Ravalli County

01:21:33 Matt Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

01:22:36 Jim Ahrens, Montana Children's Initiative Provider Association

01:22:46 John Metropoulos, A.W.A.R.E. Inc.

01:23:27 Rep. Gibson arrived.

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:24:10 Rep. Ehli

**HEARING ON HB 402****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:25:19 Rep. Chuck Hunter (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 402, License and regulate wineries selling and shipping wine directly to MT consumers.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:26:46 Mona Jamison, Wine Institute

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

01:28:48 Emily Klungtvedt, Economist, Tax and Policy Research Division, Director's Office, Department of Revenue (DOR)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:29:18 Rep. Gibson

01:29:36 Rep. Hunter

01:29:44 Rep. Gibson

01:30:20 Rep. Hunter

01:30:38 Rep. Brodehl

01:31:12 Ms. Klungtvedt, DOR

01:31:29 Rep. Brodehl

01:31:43 Ms. Klungtvedt, DOR

01:31:56 Rep. Brodehl  
01:32:06 Ms. Klungvedt, DOR

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:32:16 Rep. Hunter

**HEARING ON HB 444**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:32:52 Rep. Tom Jacobson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 444, Provide tax credit for access to state lands.

01:33:35 Rep. McChesney left.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:35:44 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

01:36:23 Jeff Hagener, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:36:44 Rep. Ballance  
01:37:35 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:38:17 Rep. Ballance  
01:38:20 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:38:23 Rep. Osmundson  
01:38:41 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
01:38:56 Rep. Jacobson  
01:39:26 Rep. Hagstrom  
01:39:46 Rep. Jacobson  
01:40:19 Rep. Hagstrom  
01:40:30 Rep. Jacobson  
01:40:53 Rep. Glimm  
01:41:15 Rep. Jacobson  
01:41:31 Rep. Glimm  
01:41:47 Rep. Jacobson  
01:42:36 Rep. Hollandsworth  
01:43:00 Rep. Jacobson  
01:43:30 Rep. Ballance  
01:44:06 Rep. Jacobson  
01:44:40 Rep. McCarthy  
01:45:29 Rep. Jacobson

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:46:37 Rep. Jacobson

01:47:25 Chair Ankney  
01:47:48 Rep. Hagstrom

01:48:20 Rep. Ehi  
01:48:54 Chair Ankney

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:49:20

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Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([aph47aad.pdf](#))**