

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on March 7, 2013 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 102  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Rep. Steve Gibson, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)  
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)  
Rep. Rob Cook (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)  
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)  
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. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)  
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)  
Rep. Tom Woods (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 2, 3/5/2013

00:10:31 Chair Ankney  
00:12:26 Rep. Noonan arrived.  
00:12:40 Rep. Mehlhoff left.

**Health and Human Services Section B - Continued**

**Opening Statement:**

00:12:45 Rep. Ehli

00:12:51 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.

**Agency Comment:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Questions from the Committee:** None

**Opening Statement:**

00:17:00 Rep. Ehli

**Agency Comment:** None

**Public Comment:**

00:19:44 Rose Hughes, Executive Director, Montana Health Care Association (MHCA)

**EXHIBIT(aph49a01)**

00:28:03 Claudia Clifford, Advocacy Director, American Association for Retired Persons (AARP)

**EXHIBIT(aph49a02)**

00:30:23 Erin McGowan-Fincham, Montana Association of Area Agencies on Aging

00:33:33 Joel Peden, Montana Centers for Independent Living

**EXHIBIT(aph49a03)**

00:38:53 Beth Brenneman, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights of Montana

**Questions from the Committee:**

00:40:06 Rep. Brodehl

00:40:37 Rep. Ehli

00:41:05 Rep. Brodehl

00:41:22 Rep. Ehli

00:43:02 Rep. Brodehl

00:43:50 Rep. Ehli

00:44:43 Rep. Gibson

00:45:16 Rep. Ehli

00:45:26 Rep. Noonan

00:46:09 Rep. Gibson

00:46:43 Rep. Noonan

00:47:09 Rep. Ballance

00:47:34 Rep. Ehli

00:47:52 Rep. Ballance

00:48:04 Rep. Ehli

00:48:11 Rep. Ballance

00:48:57 Rep. Ehli  
00:49:12 Rep. Gibson  
00:49:45 Rep. Noonan left.  
00:50:45 Rep. Jones  
00:51:14 Ms. Hughes, MHCA  
00:52:06 Rep. Gibson  
00:52:42 Rep. Jones  
00:53:07 Rep. Ehli  
00:53:17 Rep. Jones  
00:53:46 Rep. Ehli  
00:53:50 Rep. Jones  
00:54:30 Rep. Ehli  
00:56:04 Rep. McCarthy  
00:57:01 Rep. Cuffe left.  
00:57:27 Ms. Hughes, MHCA  
00:57:57 Rep. Osmundson left.  
00:59:20 Rep. Hollandsworth  
01:00:03 Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.  
01:00:20 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
01:00:59 Kelly Williams, Administrator, Senior Long-Term Care Division, Department of  
Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
01:01:20 Rep. Jones  
01:01:50 Rep. Ehli  
01:02:43 Rep. Jones  
01:03:17 Rep. Ehli  
01:03:24 Ms. Steinbeck, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
01:04:07 Rep. Jones  
01:04:15 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD  
01:05:11 Chair Ankney left.  
01:05:15 Rep. Cuffe arrived.  
01:05:33 Rep. Noonan arrived.  
01:05:45 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
01:06:31 Rep. Ehli  
01:07:05 Rep. Edmunds left.  
01:08:04 Vice Chair Gibson  
01:08:22 Rep. Ehli  
01:08:40 Rep. Brodehl  
01:09:15 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD  
**EXHIBIT(aph49a04)**  
01:09:51 Vice Chair Gibson  
01:10:14 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD  
01:11:24 Rep. Ballance  
01:12:22 Ms. Hughes, MHCA  
01:14:29 Rep. Ballance  
01:14:44 Rep. Cuffe  
01:15:37 Rep. Ehli  
01:16:08 Rep. Cuffe  
01:16:22 Rep. Ehli  
01:16:47 Vice Chair Gibson

**Opening Statement:**

01:17:43 Rep. Ehli

01:17:48 Rep. Osmundson arrived.

01:18:37 Rep. McChesney left.

**Agency Comment:** None**Public Comment:**

01:19:19 Kathy McGowan, Eastern Montana Mental Health Center, Western Montana  
Mental Health Center and Center for Mental Health

01:26:32 Chair Ankney arrived.

01:27:50 Beth Brennehan, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Montana

01:29:51 Rep. McChesney arrived.

01:30:06 Rep. Glimm left.

01:30:22 Mona Jamison, Montana Addiction Service Providers and Boyd Andrew  
Management Services

**Questions from the Committee:**

01:31:17 Rep. Hollenbaugh

01:32:34 Rep. Ehli

01:32:47 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD

01:32:52 Rep. Gibson left.

01:33:48 Rep. Hollenbaugh

01:34:14 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD

01:34:43 Mary Dalton, Branch Manager, Medicaid and Health Services Branch,  
Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

01:35:33 Rep. Brodehl

01:35:55 Rep. Gibson arrived.

01:36:27 Rep. Ehli

01:36:45 Rep. Glimm arrived.

01:36:52 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:37:00 Rep. Brodehl

01:37:23 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:38:12 Rep. Brodehl

01:39:10 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:39:23 Rep. Brodehl

01:40:01 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:41:18 Rep. Brodehl

01:41:26 Rep. Ehli

01:42:07 Rep. Hollenbaugh

01:42:23 Rep. Noonan

01:42:49 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:45:27 Rep. Noonan

01:46:05 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:47:29 Rep. Gibson

01:47:48 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:48:14 Rep. Gibson

01:48:40 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS

01:48:57 Rep. Gibson  
01:49:05 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
01:50:40 Rep. Gibson  
01:50:58 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
01:51:10 Rep. Gibson  
01:51:19 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
01:53:16 Rep. Ehli  
01:55:27 Rep. Dudik  
01:56:10 Sarah Corbally, Administrator, Child and Family Services Division, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)  
01:59:08 Rep. Dudik  
01:59:43 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
02:01:16 Rep. Edmunds arrived.  
02:02:55 Rep. Noonan  
02:04:34 Ms. Corbally, DPHHS  
02:05:43 Rep. Noonan  
02:06:02 Bob Runkel, Branch Manager, Economic Security Services Branch, DPHHS  
02:07:32 Rep. Noonan  
02:08:17 Mr. Runkel, DPHHS  
02:08:42 Rep. Osmundson left.  
02:09:11 Rep. Ballance  
02:09:44 Mr. Runkel, DPHHS  
02:10:48 Chair Ankney  
02:11:05 Rep. Ehli  
02:11:53 Rep. Gibson  
02:13:01 Rep. Ehli  
02:17:24 Chair Ankney  
  
02:18:08 Recessed.  
02:40:23 Reconvened with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Osmundson, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Woods not present.

### **Natural Resources and Transportation - Section C**

#### **Opening Statement:**

02:41:46 Rep. Cuffe  
  
02:45:36 Rep. Woods arrived.  
02:45:37 Rep. Dudik, Rep. McCarthy and Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

#### **Agency Comment:**

02:50:32 Jeff Hagener, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)  
02:51:47 Rep. Gibson left.

**Public Comment:** None

#### **Questions from the Committee:**

02:54:32 Rep. Ballance  
02:55:20 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
02:55:56 Rep. Ballance

02:56:10 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
02:56:17 Rep. Noonan arrived.  
02:56:33 Rep. Ballance  
02:57:08 Rep. Cuffe  
02:58:25 Rep. Ballance  
02:58:29 Rep. Cuffe  
02:59:13 Rep. Brodehl  
02:59:43 Rep. Cuffe  
03:00:02 Rep. Brodehl  
03:00:32 Rep. Cuffe  
03:02:47 Rep. Hollenbaugh left.  
03:03:02 Rep. Brodehl  
03:03:25 Rep. Noonan left.  
03:03:30 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
03:04:27 Chair Ankney  
03:05:22 Rep. Hollandsworth  
03:06:04 Rep. Gibson arrived.  
03:06:16 Rep. Glimm  
03:06:37 Rep. Cuffe  
03:07:00 Tim Thier, Wildlife Biologist, FWP  
03:08:27 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.  
03:09:09 Rep. Edmunds left.  
03:09:57 Rep. Cuffe  
03:10:59 Rep. McChesney left.  
03:13:17 Rep. Hagstrom  
03:14:22 Rep. Cuffe  
03:14:28 Rep. Hagstrom  
03:15:04 Rep. Cuffe  
03:15:30 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
03:17:44 Rep. Edmunds arrived.  
03:17:50 Rep. Gibson arrived.  
03:17:51 Rep. Ballance  
03:18:10 Rep. Cuffe  
03:18:36 Rep. Ballance  
03:19:18 Rep. Cuffe  
03:19:28 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
03:20:19 Rep. Ballance  
03:20:40 Mr. Hagener, FWP  
03:21:06 Rep. Mehlhoff  
03:21:50 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
03:21:56 Chair Ankney  
03:22:04 Rep. Cuffe

**Opening Statement:**

03:22:32 Rep. Cuffe  
  
03:22:58 Rep. Noonan arrived.  
03:23:20 Rep. Gibson arrived.  
03:24:21 Rep. Edmunds left.

**Agency Comment:**

03:25:43 Tracy Stone-Manning, Director, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

**Public Comment:**

03:28:02 Linda Stoll, Registered Sanitarians of Montana  
03:30:34 Rep. McChesney arrived and Rep. Hollenbaugh left.

**Questions from the Committee:**

03:31:24 Rep. Ballance  
03:31:56 Rep. Cuffe  
03:32:17 Ms. Stone-Manning, DEQ  
03:32:29 Rep. Cuffe  
03:32:57 Ms. Stone-Manning, DEQ  
03:33:06 Tom Livers, Deputy Director, DEQ  
03:34:15 Rep. Cuffe  
03:34:38 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.

**Opening Statement:**

03:34:58 Rep. Cuffe  
  
03:35:19 Rep. Hollenbaugh left.  
03:36:18 Chair Ankney left.

**Agency Comment:**

03:39:17 Mike Tooley, Director, Department of Transportation (MDT)

**Public Comment:** None

**Questions from the Committee:** None

03:40:54 Rep. Hollenbaugh arrived.

**Opening Statement:**

03:41:06 Rep. Cuffe  
[EXHIBIT\(aph49a05\)](#)

03:41:49 Rep. Noonan left.

**Agency Comment:**

03:43:56 Christian Mackay, Executive Officer, Department of Livestock (DOL)

**Public Comment:** None

**Questions from the Committee:**

03:44:36 Rep. Brodehl  
03:45:09 Rep. Cuffe  
03:45:40 Rep. Brodehl  
03:46:00 Rep. Cuffe  
03:46:02 Chair Ankney arrived.  
03:46:14 Rep. Dudik

03:46:31 Mr. Mackay, DOL  
03:46:45 Rep. Ehli left.

**Opening Statement:**

03:47:01 Rep. Cuffe

**Agency Comment:**

03:50:13 John Tubbs, Director, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation  
(DNRC)

03:51:22 Rep. Ehli arrived.

**Public Comment:**

03:51:28 Jeff Tiberi, Montana Association of Conservation Districts (MACD)

**Questions from the Committee:**

03:51:55 Rep. Hagstrom  
03:52:38 Rep. Cuffe  
03:52:57 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
03:53:36 Rep. Hagstrom  
03:53:54 Rep. Hollenbaugh

**Opening Statement:**

03:54:38 Rep. Cuffe

03:55:37 Rep. Gibson left.  
03:56:42 Rep. Noonan arrived.

**Agency Comment:**

03:56:56 Ron de Yong, Director, Department of Agriculture (AG)

03:57:54 Rep. Gibson arrived.

**Public Comment:**

04:01:31 Jacob Cowgill, Montana Farmers Union  
04:02:24 Ryan McCormick, President, Montana Grain Growers Association (MGGA)  
04:03:38 Rep. Mike Lang, HD 35, Malta

**Questions from the Committee:**

04:04:45 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
04:05:12 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:06:26 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
04:07:42 Chair Ankney left.  
04:08:24 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:09:32 Vice Chairman Gibson  
04:09:43 Rep. Hollandsworth  
04:11:32 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:11:54 Rep. Whitford  
04:11:59 Rep. Cook left.

04:12:10 Rep. McChesney left.  
04:12:31 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:12:44 Rep. Whitford  
04:12:47 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:13:02 Rep. Whitford  
04:13:24 Mr. McCormick, MGGA  
04:13:52 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
04:15:02 Rep. Cuffe

**EXHIBIT(aph49a06)**

04:18:04 Vice Chairman Gibson

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 04:18:15

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Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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