

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Duane Ankney, on March 25, 2013 at 8:30 AM, 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. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 565, 03/21/2013; HB 579, 03/21/2013; HB 625, 03/21/2013;
HB 626, 03/21/2013; HB 627, 03/21/2013; HB 628, 03/21/2013
Executive Action: HB 565, HB 579, HB 627, HB 628, HB 420

00:07:42 Chair Ankney

HEARING ON HB 565

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:04 Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D), HD 51, opened the hearing on HB 565, Establish a bioscience initiative.

00:15:14 Rep. McChesney, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Ehli arrived.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:16:10 Dave Poulsen, Chief Scientific Officer, Board of Directors, Montana Bio Science Alliance

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:22 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:18:51 Rep. McCarthy
00:19:32 Rep. Ballance
00:20:14 Rep. McCarthy
00:20:18 Chair Ankney
00:20:21 Rep. Ballance
00:20:56 Rep. McCarthy
00:21:30 Rep. Ballance
00:21:58 Rep. McCarthy
00:22:54 Rep. Cook
00:23:52 Rep. Woods
00:26:02 Rep. Brodehl
00:26:50 Mr. Triem, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:27:54 Rep. Brodehl
00:28:15 Mr. Triem, LSD
00:28:47 Rep. Brodehl
00:29:15 Chair Ankney
00:29:21 Rep. Brodehl
00:29:41 Rep. McCarthy
00:31:09 Rep. Cuffe
00:31:16 Rep. Hollandsworth and Rep. Gibson left.
00:31:31 Rep. Ehli left.
00:31:40 Rep. McCarthy
00:32:23 Rep. Cuffe
00:33:16 Mr. Poulsen, Montana Bio Science Alliance
00:34:12 Rep. Jones arrived.
00:34:17 Rep. Glimm
00:35:02 Rep. McCarthy
00:35:53 Chair Ankney
00:35:57 Rep. Ehli arrived.

Closing by Sponsor:

00:36:43 Rep. McCarthy

HEARING ON HB 579**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:37:09 Rep. Roger Hagan (R), HD 19, opened the hearing on HB 579, Establish task force on military missions and strategic/economic impacts in MT.

EXHIBIT(aph64a01)

00:38:45 Rep. Brodehl left.

00:38:53 Rep. Woods left.

00:39:10 Rep. McCarthy left.

00:39:47 Rep. Jones left.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:43:47 Dan Antonietti, Legislative Chairman, Veterans of Foreign War (VFW)

00:44:31 Jim Higgins, Officer and Enlisted Association of the Air National Guard of Montana (EANGMT)

00:46:11 Harold Blattie, Executive Director, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:46:59 Glenn Oppel, Montana Chamber of Commerce

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

00:48:18 Kris Wilkinson, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:44 Rep. Dudik

00:50:04 Rep. Hagan

00:50:19 Rep. Hollandsworth arrived.

00:51:44 Rep. Dudik

00:52:15 Rep. Hagan

00:52:58 Rep. Cuffe

00:53:01 Rep. Brodehl arrived.

00:53:48 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

00:54:18 Rep. Cuffe

00:54:27 Rep. Hagan

00:54:49 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:54:55 Rep. McCarthy arrived.

00:55:04 Rep. Jones arrived.

00:55:22 Rep. Hagan

00:56:25 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:56:40 Rep. Hagan

00:57:11 Rep. Noonan

00:57:21 Rep. Dudik left.

00:57:34 Rep. Hagan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:58:47 Rep. Hagan

00:59:21 Rep. Woods arrived.

HEARING ON HB 625

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:59:58 Rep. Duane Ankney (R), HD 43, opened the hearing on HB 625, Implementing the provisions of House Bill 2.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:01:02 Kathy McGowan, Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center (EMTMHC), Center for Mental Health (CTRMH), and Western Montana Mental Health Center (WMMH)

01:02:01 Jim Ahrens, Montana Children's Initiative

01:02:23 Bob Olson, Montana Hospital Association

01:02:37 Mike Foster, Montana Catholic Hospitals, Benefis, Bozeman Deaconess Hospital, St. Peter's Hospital, and Billings Clinic

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:03:25 Lois Steinbeck, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:04:16 Rep. Ehli

01:04:58 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD

01:05:09 Ms. Johnson, LSD

01:06:29 Rep. Ehli

01:07:03 Rep. Noonan

01:07:40 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD

01:07:51 Rep. Noonan

01:08:15 Ms. Steinbeck, LFD

01:08:56 Rep. Ballance

01:09:19 Rep. Ehli

Closing by Sponsor:

01:09:53 Rep. Ankney

HEARING ON HB 626

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:10:16 Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R), HD 29, opened the hearing on HB 626, Increase percentage of motor vehicle revenue for veterans' accounts.

01:10:33 Rep. Cuffe left.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:11:45 Joe Foster, Division Administrator, Montana Veteran Affairs, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:01 Rep. Hollandsworth
01:12:17 Rep. Osmundson
01:12:26 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD
01:12:45 Rep. Cuffe arrived.
01:12:55 Rep. Dudik arrived.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:12:53 Rep. Osmundson

HEARING ON HB 627**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:13:04 Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R), HD 29, opened the hearing on HB 627, Establish worker training and economic development accounts.

Proponents' Testimony: None**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:14:18 Kimberly Moog, Administrator, Centralized Services Division, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Informational Testimony:

01:17:35 Ms. Wilkinson, LFD

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:17:50 Rep. Hollenbaugh
01:18:20 Ms. Moog, DLI
01:18:54 Rep. Hollenbaugh
01:19:16 Ms. Johnson, LSD
01:19:53 Rep. McCarthy
01:20:05 Ms. Moog, DLI
01:20:22 Rep. McCarthy
01:20:39 Ms. Moog, DLI
01:21:40 Rep. McCarthy
01:21:51 Ms. Moog, DLI
01:22:35 Rep. Hollandsworth
01:22:56 Ms. Moog, DLI
01:23:13 Rep. Brodehl
01:23:35 Rep. Osmundson
01:24:53 Rep. Dudik
01:25:17 Ms. Moog, DLI

Closing by Sponsor:

01:26:40 Rep. Osmundson

HEARING ON HB 628**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

- 01:27:45 Rep. Tom Steenberg (D), HD 95, opened the hearing on HB 628, Requiring a study of the creation of a firefighter presumptive illness program.
- 01:29:17 Chair Ankney and Rep. Cook left.

Proponents' Testimony:

- 01:29:28 Joseph Sands, Montana State Council of Professional Fire Fighters (MSCOPFF)
- 01:31:14 Rep. Cook arrived.
- 01:31:17 Chris Cavazos, American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
- 01:31:27 Chair Ankney arrived.
- 01:31:49 Ali Bovingdon, Deputy Chief of Staff, Governor's Office (GOV)
- 01:32:58 Brian Reed, Montana State Council of Professional Fire Fighters (MSCOPFF) and Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

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

- 01:33:30 Jesse Laslovich, Chief Legal Council, State Auditor's Office (SAO)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 01:33:48 Rep. Brodehl
- 01:34:24 Mr. Laslovich, SAO
- 01:35:34 Rep. Brodehl
- 01:36:03 Mr. Laslovich, SAO
- 01:36:25 Rep. Mehlhoff
- 01:37:40 Ms. Bovingdon, GOV
- 01:37:54 Mr. Sands, MSCOFF
- 01:38:09 Rep. Mehlhoff
- 01:38:16 Mr. Sands, MSCOFF

Closing by Sponsor:

- 01:38:41 Rep. Steenberg
- 01:40:16 Rep. Gibson arrived.
- 01:40:40 Recessed.
- 02:06:19 Reconvened with Rep. Jones and Rep. Woods not present.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 565

- 02:06:39 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 565 DO PASS.**
- 02:06:45 Rep. Jones and Rep. Woods arrived.

02:07:03 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. McCarthy moved that **HB 565 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(aph64a02)

02:08:46 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 565 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 16-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Edmunds, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Glimm and Rep. Osmundson voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 579

02:10:44 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 579 DO PASS**.

02:11:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Dudik moved that **HB 579 BE AMENDED**. Motion failed 10-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Cook, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Hagstrom, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Whitford and Rep. Woods voting aye.

EXHIBIT(aph64a03)

02:13:38 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 579 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

02:13:43 Rep. Mehlhoff

02:16:34 Rep. Noonan

02:18:13 Rep. Gibson

02:18:41 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 627

02:19:07 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 627 DO PASS**.

02:19:18 **Motion:** Rep. Osmundson moved that **HB 627 BE AMENDED**.

EXHIBIT(aph64a04)

Discussion:

02:20:47 Rep. Edmunds

02:20:50 Rep. Osmundson

02:20:53 Rep. Edmunds

02:20:56 Rep. Osmundson

02:21:05 Rep. McCarthy

02:21:45 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:21:58 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 627 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

*Chair Ankney kept bill in committee.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 628

02:23:29 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 628 DO PASS**. Motion carried 11-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Ankney, Rep. Ballance, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Cook, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Edmunds, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hollandsworth, Rep. Jones and Rep. Osmundson voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 420

02:24:51 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 420 DO PASS**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph64a05\)](#)

02:25:18 **Motion:** Rep. Hollenbaugh moved that **HB 420 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph64a06\)](#)

Discussion:

02:25:32 Ms. Johnson, LSD

02:26:19 Rep. Gibson

02:26:42 Ms. Johnson, LSD

02:27:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

02:27:34 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 420 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion failed 9-12 by roll call vote with Rep. Cook, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Hollenbaugh, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. McChesney, Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan, Rep. Whitford and Rep. Woods voting aye.

02:29:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **HB 420 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried 18-3 by voice vote with Rep. Mehlhoff, Rep. Noonan and Rep. Whitford voting no.

02:30:17 Chair Ankney

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:30:25

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph64aad.pdf](#))