

## MINUTES

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

#### COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

**Call to Order:** Chair David Howard, on April 15, 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. Amanda Curtis (D)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)  
Rep. Jenifer Gursky (D)  
Rep. Bill Harris (R)  
Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)  
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)  
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)  
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)  
Rep. Scott Reichner (R)  
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (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: SB 395; 4/15/13

02:18:56 Chairman Howard

**HEARING ON SB 395**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:19:55 Sen. David Wanzenried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 395, Revise health care laws to expand Medicaid and improve health care delivery.

**EXHIBIT(huh79a01)**

**EXHIBIT(huh79a02)**

02:26:36 Rep. Vance arrived to the meeting.

02:29:51 Chairman Howard

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:30:18 Shawn Gillis, Montana Medical Association (MMA)

**EXHIBIT(huh79a03)**

02:34:26 Chairman Howard

02:34:44 Brent Lowe, Chief Executive Officer, Livingston Health Care

02:38:08 Rachael Metzger, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a04)**

02:40:36 Ed Croucher, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Montana (VFW)

02:43:01 Chairman Howard

02:43:05 Senator Ed Buttrey

02:45:59 Mark Semmens, D.A. Davidson

02:49:31 Marcie McLean, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a05)**

02:51:21 C'Yenna McLean, Self

02:52:20 Anna Marie Tschilda, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a06)**

02:55:47 Amanda Gillbreath, Self

02:57:20 Steph Larson, Center for Rural Affairs

**EXHIBIT(huh79a07)**

02:59:03 Melody Rice, Self

03:01:29 Jim Higgins, Montana National Guard Enlisted Associations

**EXHIBIT(huh79a08)**

03:02:21 Duane Catlett, Self

03:03:20 Joy Brouck, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)

03:03:55 Terry Kendrick, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

03:04:20 Sheena Rice, Montana Organizing Project

**EXHIBIT(huh79a09)**

03:04:50 Richard Opper, Director, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

03:05:27 Moe Wosepka, Executive Director, Montana Catholic Conference

03:05:57 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Churches

03:06:40 Maryann Dunwell, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a10)**

03:07:39 Don Judge, Montana Nurses Association (MNA)

03:08:24 Linda Gryczan, Mt Womens Lobby

03:08:38 Bob Olson, Montana Hospital Association (MHA)

03:09:13 Mike Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana

03:09:31 Bill Warden, St. Peter's Hospital

03:09:47 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic  
 03:10:13 Jessi Luther, Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority (MMIA)  
 03:10:41 Kelsen Young, Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence  
 03:11:10 Erin McGowan-Fincham, Association of Public Health Officials  
 03:11:55 Kim Abbott, Montana Human Rights Network  
 03:12:19 Jackie Halt, Service Employees International Union Healthcare 775 Northwest Chapter (SEIU)  
 03:12:45 Olivia Riutta, Montana Women Vote  
 03:13:21 Tara Veazey, Montana Budget and Policy Center (MBPC)  
 03:13:35 Web Brown, Montana Chamber of Commerce  
 03:13:47 Kim Leighton, Pro-Choice Montana  
 03:13:59 Terry Minow, Montana Education Association, Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)  
 03:14:10 Dustin Monroe, Western Native Voice

**Opponents' Testimony:**

03:14:40 Tom Brunett, Self  
 03:15:10 Rep. C. Smith arrived to the meeting.  
 03:17:42 Rep. Gursky  
 03:17:59 Doug Carpenter, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a11)**

03:21:09 Robert Brown, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a12)**

03:24:17 Paul Nachman, Self

**EXHIBIT(huh79a13)**

03:27:55 Rowland Horst, Self  
 03:30:48 Boyd Roth, Self  
 03:32:31 Julia Fehrs, Self  
 03:32:42 Rita Hall, Self  
 03:34:13 Deon Carpenter, Self  
 03:36:29 Carol Wilcock, Universal Health Connection

**Informational Testimony:**

03:38:18 Mary Dalton, Branch Manager, Medicaid and Health Services, DPHHS  
 03:38:29 Cheryl Wood, Montana Association of Counties

**EXHIBIT(huh79a14)****Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

03:39:54 Rep. Hill  
 03:41:08 Sen. Wanzenried  
 03:43:32 Rep. Flynn  
 03:45:16 Mr. Opper, DPHHS  
 03:46:29 Mr. Semmens, D.A. Davidson  
 03:47:30 Rep. Flynn  
 03:48:15 Mr. Semmens, D.A. Davidson  
 03:48:48 Rep. Flynn  
 03:49:15 Sen. Wanzenried  
 03:50:00 Rep. Flynn  
 03:50:30 Sen. Wanzenried  
 03:50:55 Rep. Flynn

03:52:28 Mr. Opper, DPHHS  
03:53:06 Chairman Howard  
03:53:11 Rep. Harris  
03:53:57 Sen. Wanzenried  
03:54:37 Rep. Harris  
03:55:14 Sen. Wanzenried  
03:56:13 Rep. Reichner  
03:57:06 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
03:58:30 Rep. Reichner  
03:58:40 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
03:59:15 Rep. Reichner  
03:59:30 Ms. Dalton, DPHHS  
03:59:43 Chairman Howard  
03:59:49 Rep. Redfield  
04:00:10 Sen. Wanzenried  
04:00:46 Rep. Redfield  
04:01:19 Mr. Opper, DPHHS  
04:01:53 Rep. Redfield  
04:02:04 Mr. Opper, DPHHS  
04:02:13 Chairman Howard  
04:02:17 Rep. Ingraham  
04:02:39 Rep. Gursky  
04:04:30 Mr. Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana  
04:05:54 Rep. Gursky  
04:06:08 Mr. Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana  
04:06:21 Mr. Olson, MHA  
04:07:51 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
04:08:50 Sen. Wanzenried  
04:09:42 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
04:09:57 Sen. Wanzenried  
04:10:19 Sue O'Connell, Legislative Branch (LEG)  
04:11:06 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
04:11:16 Chairman Howard  
04:11:19 Rep. Pease-Lopez  
04:12:36 Mr. Olson, MHA  
04:14:04 Chairman Howard  
04:14:11 Rep. Wagoner  
04:14:35 Mr. Olson, MHA  
04:15:38 Rep. Wagoner  
04:16:05 Mr. Olson, MHA  
04:16:32 Rep. Wagoner  
04:16:37 Rep. Jacobson  
04:17:42 Mr. Olson, MHA  
04:20:31 Chairman Howard

**Closing by Sponsor:**

04:20:36 Sen. Wanzenried  
04:28:39 Chairman Howard

[EXHIBIT\(huh79a15\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh79a16\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(huh79a17\)](#)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 04:28:52

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Sara Andersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([huh79aad.pdf](#))**