

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: Chair Tom Berry, on January 29, 2015 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Tom Berry, Chair (R)
Rep. Daniel R. Salomon, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Christy Clark (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Chuck Hunter (D)
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)
Rep. Mike Lang (R)
Rep. David (Doc) Moore (R)
Rep. Mark Noland (R)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
Rep. Christopher Pope (D)
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)
Rep. Tom Richmond (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Tom Steenberg (D)
Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Karen Armstrong, Committee Secretary
Pat Murdo, 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 223, 1/21/2015; HB 225, 1/21/2015; HB 291, 1/16/2015

00:00:02 Chairman Berry

HEARING ON HB 291

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:51 Rep. Kenneth Holmlund (R), HD 38, opened the hearing on HB 291, Generally revise locksmith laws.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:10:02 Dan Burdick, Burdick's Locksmith Service

00:10:58 Rep. Richmond arrived.

Informational Testimony:

00:16:13 Jon Bennion, Attorney General's Office (AG)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:16:43 Rep. Moore

00:17:06 Jon Bennion, AG

00:18:17 Rep. Olsen

00:18:51 Jon Bennion, AG

00:19:21 Chairman Berry

00:19:56 Dan Burdick, Burdick's Locksmith Service

00:21:17 Chairman Berry

00:21:21 Dan Burdick, Burdick's Locksmith Service

Closing by Sponsor:

00:21:34 Rep. Holmlund

00:22:12 Chairman Berry

HEARING ON HB 223

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:23:32 Rep. Christy Clark (R), HD 17, opened the hearing on HB 223, Revise cost of death certificates and use for funding board of funeral service.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:28:45 Erin McGowan, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

[**EXHIBIT\(buh20a01\)**](#)

[**EXHIBIT\(buh20a02\)**](#)

00:37:29 Shawneal Krauszer, Krauszer Funeral Solutions

[**EXHIBIT\(buh20a03\)**](#)

00:41:46 Wayne Benson, Licensed Mortician, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

[**EXHIBIT\(buh20a04\)**](#)

00:44:32 Travis Newman, Licensed Mortician, Vice President, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

EXHIBIT(buh20a05)

EXHIBIT(buh20a06)

00:46:32 Chris Holt, Stevensons and Sons Funeral Group

00:51:01 Richard Brown, Funeral homes owner

EXHIBIT(buh20a07)

EXHIBIT(buh20a08)

00:54:57 Kyle Zimmerman, Licensed Funeral Director, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

00:57:05 Todd Carmichael, O'Connor and Snyder Funeral Homes, Great Falls and Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

00:59:16 Erin MacLean, Executive Director, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:01:50 Todd Younkin,, Business Standards Division, Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:02:15 Rep. Hunter
01:03:15 Todd Younkin, DLI
01:03:57 Rep. Hunter
01:04:25 Todd Younkin, DLI
01:04:42 Rep. Hunter
01:04:55 Todd Younkin, DLI
01:05:26 Rep. Hunter
01:06:16 Rep. Clark
01:07:45 Rep. Olsen
01:08:23 Erin MacLean, MFDA
01:09:49 Rep. Olsen
01:10:13 Erin MacLean, MFDA
01:11:10 Rep. Moore
01:12:17 Rep. Clark
01:13:12 Rep. Curdy
01:13:48 Shawneal Krauzer, MFDA
01:14:36 Rep. Pierson
01:15:06 Rep. Richmond
01:15:40 Todd Carmichael, MFDA
01:16:09 Rep. Ricci
01:17:11 Todd Carmichael, MFDA
01:17:16 Rep. Ricci

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:36 Rep. Clark

01:18:31 Chairman Berry

01:18:02 Recessed.
01:30:07 Reconvened.
01:30:11 Chairman Berry

HEARING ON HB 225

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:30:22 Rep. Vince Ricci (R), HD 55, opened the hearing on HB 225, Revise and update funeral trust banking laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:31:34 Erin McGowan, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)
01:33:25 John Tarr, Chair, Montana Board of Funeral Service, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)
01:34:23 Wayne Benson, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)
01:35:06 Steve Schnider, Montana Board of Funeral Service, Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)
01:36:10 Travis Newman, Vice President, Montana Funeral Directors Association (MFDA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:36:47 Donya Parrish, Montana Credit Unions

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:37:13 Rep. Olsen
01:37:49 Donya Parrish, Montana Credit Unions
01:38:43 Rep. Olsen
01:39:05 Donya Parrish, Montana Credit Unions
01:39:47 Chairman Berry
01:39:53 Erin MacLean, MFDA
01:40:04 Rep. Staffanson
01:40:20 Chairman Berry
01:40:23 Erin MacLean, MFDA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:41:08 Rep. Ricci
01:41:39 Chairman Berry

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:42:03

Karen Armstrong, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([buh20aad.pdf](#))