

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Taylor Brown, on March 11, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Llew Jones (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary
Padraic McCracken, 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 374, 2/26/2015
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 374

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:22 Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), HD 73, opened the hearing on HB 374,
Provide for school suicide prevention awareness training.

[EXHIBIT\(eds50a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(eds50a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(eds50a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:04 Rep. Ken Holmlund, HD 38, Miles City

00:08:36 Rep. David Moore, HD 92, Missoula

00:11:00 Bill Wheeler, self, Butte

00:17:56 Bill Mills, self, Bozeman

00:22:22 Karl Rosston, suicide prevention coordinator, Department of Public Health and
Human Services (DPHHS)

00:25:31 Don Berryman, school principal, Arcadia Montana, Butte; Montana
representative for Jason Foundation, Inc.

[EXHIBIT\(eds50a04\)](#)

00:31:24 Gary Mihelish, retired, Helena

00:33:34 Matt Kuntz, executive director, NAMI-MT

00:36:35 Karen Sullivan, public health officer, Butte-Silver Bow County

00:43:37 Steve York, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

00:47:44 Marco Ferro, public policy director, MEA-MFT

00:49:11 Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic; Alliance of Montana Catholic hospitals

00:50:46 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association (MTSBA)

00:51:39 Diane Burke, educator, member, MEA-MFT

00:52:06 Pat Audet, associate director, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:53:10 Chairman Brown

00:53:34 Mr. Berryman, Jason Foundation, Inc.

00:55:33 Chairman Brown

00:55:37 Mr. Rosston, DPHHS

00:56:13 Chairman Brown

00:56:32 Mr. York, OPI

00:59:12 Sen. Hansen

01:00:30 Rep. McClafferty

(Chairman Brown left the hearing room; Vice-Chair Blasdel assumed the Chairman's role)

01:05:26 Mr. York
01:06:24 Sen. Hansen
01:07:17 Mr. York
01:08:11 Sen. Moe
01:08:36 Rep. McClafferty
01:09:20 Sen. Moe
01:10:22 Mr. Rosston
01:12:39 Sen. Arntzen
01:13:25 Mr. Berryman
01:13:50 Sen. Arntzen
01:14:17 Mr. York

Closing by Sponsor:

01:20:59 Rep. McClafferty

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:43 P.M.

Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([eds50aad.pdf](#))