

Montana State Legislature

2015 SESSION

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BUSINESS REPORT

**MONTANA SENATE
64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2015
Place: Capitol

Time: 8:00 AM
Room: 317

BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:

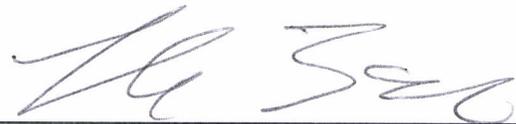
HB 2 - General Appropriations Act - Rep. Nancy Ballance

Section C - Natural Resources and Conservation

Section D - Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement and Justice

EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:

Comments:

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SEN. Llew Jones, Chair

MONTANA STATE SENATE
 ROLL CALL
 FINANCE AND CLAIMS
 COMMITTEE

DATE: March 31, 2015

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT/ EXCUSED
Chairman Jones	x	
Vice Chair Keenan	x	
Senator Blasdel	x	
Senator Brenden	x	
Senator Caferro	x	
Senator Hamlett	x	
Senator Hansen	x	
Senator Howard	✓	
Senator Keane	x	
Senator Moore	x	
Sen. Phillips	x	
Senator Ripley	x	
Senator Rosendale	x	
Senator Sesso	✓	
Senator Smith	x	
Senator Taylor	x	
Senator Webb	x	
Senator Windy Boy	✓	
Senator Wolken	x	

MONTANA STATE SENATE
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SENATE FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 31, 2015

HB 2 - General Appropriations Act

Sponsor: Rep. Nancy Ballance

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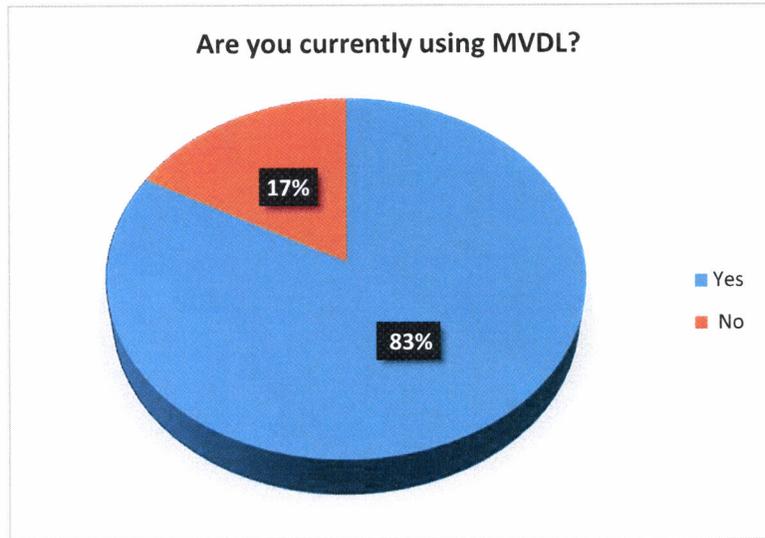
Name	Representing	Support	Oppose	Info
Bob Gilbert	Glendive - Sec C-DNRC	X		
John Tubbs	DNRC	X		
Jan Holzner	MT Salmon Control	X		
Andi Dalow	DNRC	X		
Libbi Lovshin	Dept. of Ag	X		
Karen Evans	MALD	X		
Tom Livers	DEQ	X		
Cary Hegreberg	Contractors Assn.			
Dick Andersson	DxN Development			
Les Graham	MALD			
Dan Turcotte	DOL	X		
John Grainger	U			
John Youngberg	MFBF	X		
Jay Bodner	MSG A	X		
Gary Amestoy	Diy Redwater Regional Water & Sewer	X		
TERRY JESSEE	OFFICE PUBLIC DEFENDER	X		

Please leave prepared testimony with Secretary. Witness Statement forms are available if you care to submit written testimony.

Preliminary Survey Summary / Montana Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory / July 2014

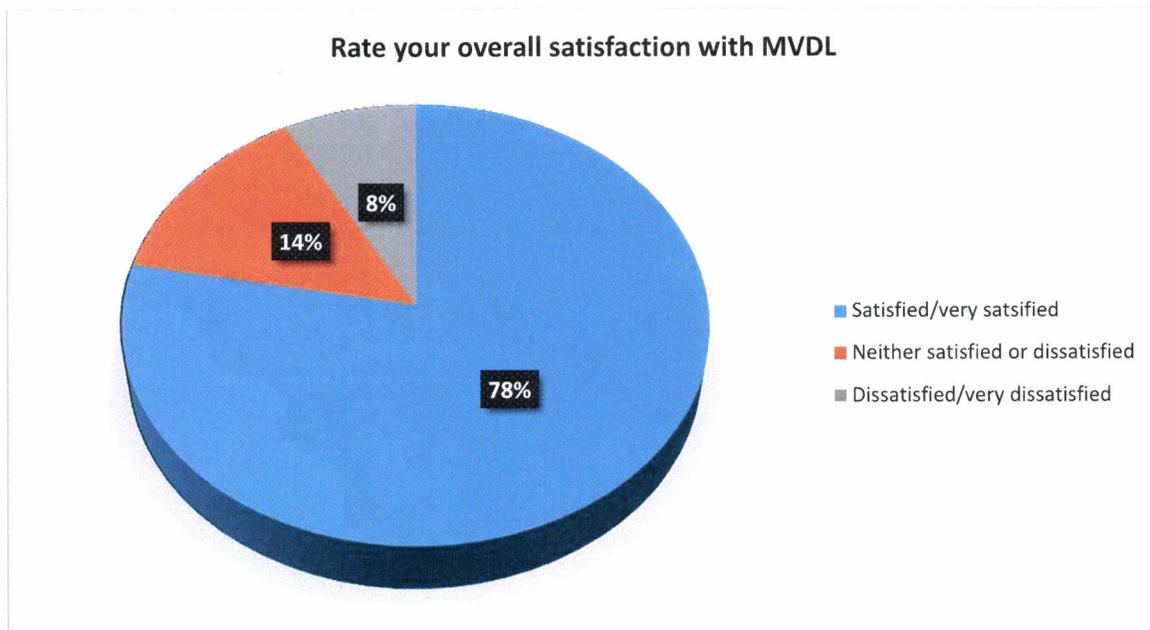
The Montana Department of Livestock (DOL) recently surveyed in-state veterinarians about the Montana Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (MVDL) in Bozeman. The intent was to gather information about usage of the lab and how veterinarians feel about the quality of services provided, with the ultimate goal of identifying areas for improvement so that the lab can better serve its clientele.

The survey shows that Montana veterinarians **use the lab** (83 percent), **use it frequently** (77 percent on a weekly-plus basis), and are **overwhelmingly satisfied** with the quality of service they receive (78 percent satisfied/very satisfied vs. 8 percent unsatisfied/very unsatisfied).



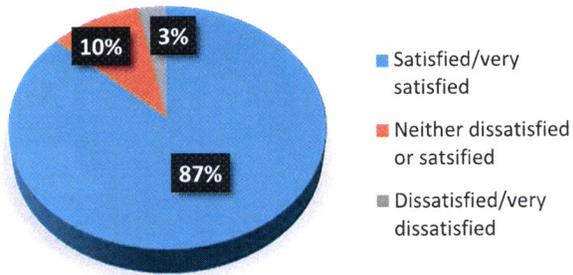
Additionally, in a separate survey conducted by the Montana Veterinary Medical Association, 93 and 89 percent of the respondents, respectively, **said their practice and the state would be "significantly impacted" if the lab were to close**, while 89 percent said they believe the lab plays an important public health role.

MDOL will release complete results, including all survey questions and comments, to the MVMA and general public once the survey closes on July 21.

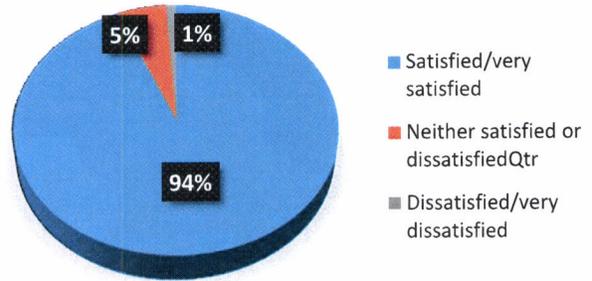


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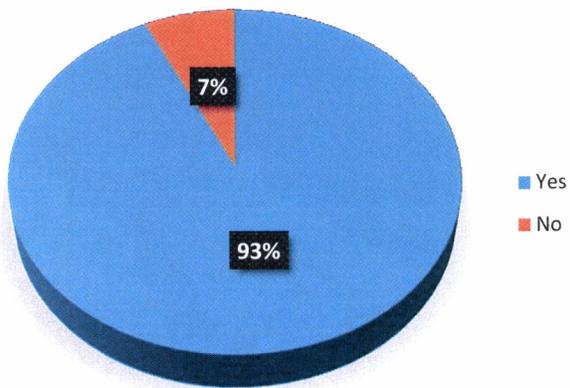
Rate MVDL's responsiveness to technical questions and concerns



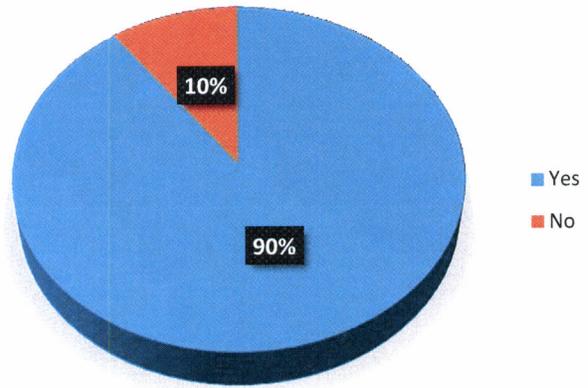
Rate the courteousness and professionalism of MVDL staff



Would your practice be significantly impacted if the MVDL went away?



Would the state be significantly impacted if the lab were closed?



Do you feel the lab provides a needed public health role?

