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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on March 11, 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. Pat Ingraham (R)
  Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
  Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
  Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
  Rep. Ellie Boldman Hill (D)
  Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
  Rep. Gordon Pierson Jr (D)
  Rep. Scott Reichner (R)
  Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

MembersAbsent: 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 ON SB 172

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
00:34:53 Sen. Edward Walker (R), SD 29, opened the hearing on SB 172, Revise laws related to dental insurance plans and services.

Proponents' Testimony:
00:37:11 David Hemion, Montana Dental Association (MDA)
EXHIBIT(huh52a01)
00:39:28 Aimee Grmoljez, Delta Dental
EXHIBIT(huh52a02)
00:41:08 Margaret Morgan, Montana Dental Hygienists Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
00:42:11 Rep. Ingraham
00:42:48 Mr. Hemion, MDA
00:43:48 Rep. Harris
00:44:01 Rep. Jacobson entered the meeting.
00:44:24 Mr. Hemion, MDA
00:45:28 Rep. Harris
00:45:52 Mr. Hemion, MDA
00:46:25 Rep. Gursky
00:47:10 Mr. Hemion, MDA
00:47:59 Rep. Gursky
00:48:20 Mr. Hemion, MDA
00:48:35 Chairman Howard

Closing by Sponsor:
00:48:40 Sen. Walker
00:51:13 Rep. Ingraham

HEARING ON SB 230

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
00:51:37 Sen. David Wansenried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 230, Revise laws governing board of speech-language pathologists and audiologists.

Proponents' Testimony:
00:54:54 Al Yonovitz, Montana Speech Language and Hearing Association (MSHA)
EXHIBIT(huh52a03)
00:58:48 Laura Jo McKamey, Big Sky Special Needs Co-Op
EXHIBIT(huh52a04)
01:00:28 Rep. Hill entered the meeting.
Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
01:25:51 Rep. Flynn
01:26:25 Ms. Closson, Self
01:26:57 Rep. Flynn
01:27:17 Ms. Paulson, Self
01:28:24 Rep. Flynn
01:28:51 Ms. Paulson, Self
01:29:30 Rep. Flynn
01:30:04 Sen. Wanzenried
01:30:29 Rep. Flynn
01:31:02 Sen. Wanzenried
01:31:48 Chairman Howard
01:32:11 Ms. Paulson, Self
01:33:45 Rep. Ingraham
01:34:10 Ms. Paulson, Self
01:35:39 Rep. Ingraham
01:35:43 Mr. Yonovitz, MSHA
01:37:30 Rep. Ingraham
01:37:58 Mr. Yonovitz, MSHA
01:38:29 Rep. Ingraham
01:39:17 Sen. Wanzenried
01:39:58 Chairman Howard

Closing by Sponsor:
01:40:03 Sen. Wanzenried
01:40:57 Chairman Howard
HEARING ON SB 270

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
01:41:35  Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 13, opened the hearing on SB 270, Require insurance coverage of telemedicine services.

Proponents’ Testimony:
01:44:32  Aimee Grmoljez, Billings Clinic
EXHIBIT (huh52a13)
01:48:56  Cindy Leenknecht, St. Vincent Health Care
EXHIBIT (huh52a14)
01:52:19  Kip Smith, Health Information Exchange Montana
01:54:47  Mat Kuntz, Executive Director, National Alliance on Mental Illness Montana (NAMI-MT)
01:56:22  Jack King, Executive Director, North Central Montana Health Care Alliance
EXHIBIT (huh52a15)
01:58:52  Alicia Smith, NAMI-MT
02:00:44  Bob Olsen, Hospital Association
02:02:45  Bill Warden, St. Peters Hospital, Bozeman Deaconess Hospital
02:03:23  Gary Spaeth, Self
02:03:47  Mike Foster, Catholic Hospitals of Montana

Opponents’ Testimony:  None

Informational Testimony:  None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
02:05:25  Rep. Ingraham
02:06:31  Sen. Buttrey
02:07:39  Rep. Flynn
02:08:09  Mr. Olsen, Hospital Association
02:08:31  Chairman Howard
02:08:39  Rep. Flynn
02:09:15  Mr. Smith, Health Information Exchange Information
02:09:32  Ms. Leenknecht, St. Vincent Health Care
02:10:02  Rep. Flynn
02:10:15  Mr. King, North Central Montana Health Care Alliance
02:10:43  Rep. Flynn
02:11:03  Mr. King, North Central Montana Health Care Alliance
02:11:26  Rep. Flynn
02:11:45  Mr. King, North Central Montana Health Care Alliance
02:12:38  Chairman Howard

Closing by Sponsor:
02:12:45  Sen. Buttrey
02:13:44  Chairman Howard
HEARING ON HJ 16

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
02:14:01 Rep. Jennifer Eck (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HJ 16, Interim study of state-operated public institutions.

Proponents’ Testimony:
02:17:24 Mat Kuntz, Executive Director, NAMI-MT
02:20:13 Richard Opper, Director, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)
02:21:57 Adrianne Slaughted, Department of Corrections
02:22:57 Kathy McGowan, Eastern Montana Mental Health Center, Center for Mental Health, Western Montana Mental Health Center
02:23:56 Rep. C. Smith entered the meeting.
02:25:59 Alicia Smith, NAMI-MT
02:29:51 Nathan Munn, Professor of Psychology, Helena College University of Montana

EXHIBIT(huh52a16)
02:32:51 Andrea K. Edgar, Self
02:35:01 Terri Minow, Montana Education Association, Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)
02:35:55 Gary Spaeth, Jefferson County

Opponents’ Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Closing by Sponsor:
02:38:54 Rep. Eck
02:39:15 Chairman Howard
Adjournment

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Sara Andersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT(huh52aad.pdf)