

**MINUTES**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

**Call to Order:** By Chairman Bob Clark, on January 7, 1997, at  
8:00 AM, in Room 312-1

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Robert C. Clark, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Daniel W. McGee, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)  
Rep. Diana E. Wyatt, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)  
Rep. Chris Ahner (R)  
Rep. Shiell W. Anderson (R)  
Rep. Ellen Bergman (R)  
Rep. William E. Boharski (R)  
Rep. Aubyn A. Curtiss (R)  
Rep. Jon Ellingson (D)  
Rep. Duane Grimes (R)  
Rep. H.S. "Sonny" Hanson (R)  
Rep. Joan Hurdle (D)  
Rep. Linda McCulloch (D)  
Rep. Brad Molnar (R)  
Rep. Gerald Pease (D)  
Rep. Diane Sands (D)  
Rep. Loren L. Soft (R)  
Rep. Bill Tash (R)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Deb Kottel  
Rep. Liz Smith (R)

**Staff Present:** John MacMaster, Legislative Services Division  
Joanne Gunderson, Committee Secretary

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 15, HB 29, HB 38 1/3/97

**HEARING ON HB 38**

**Sponsor:** REP. JOHN "SAM" ROSE

*{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.3; Comments: Opening Statement.}*

**Proponents:**

DON WALDRON, MONTANA RURAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, MREA  
LANCE MELTON, MONTANA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION, MSBA

LORAN FRAZIER, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS OF MONTANA, SAM  
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 7.8 - 9.7; Comments: All gave brief statements of support.}

Informational Testimony:

DARRYL BRUNO, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DHHS  
{Tape: 1; Side: A ; Approx. Time Count: 9.8 - 12.9.}

Questions from the Committee:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 13.8 -30.0; Comments: Members of the committee asked questions of the witnesses.}

Closing by Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE ROSE

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: .05 - 1.0; Comments: Sponsor closed.}

HEARING ON HB 15

Sponsor: REP. SAM KITZENBERG - EXHIBITS 1 AND 2

{Tape:1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 1.3 - 15.5; Comments: Representative Sam Kitzenberg made opening remarks on HB 15.}

Opponents:

TERRY MINOW, MONTANA TEACHERS' FEDERATION, MFT

{Tape: A; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 16.0 - 19.4}

DARRELL HOLZER, AFL-CIO - EXHIBIT 3

{Tape:1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 19.6 - 21.7}

SCOTT CRICHTON, ACLU - EXHIBIT 4

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 22.1 - 24.4}

PHIL CAMPBELL, MONTANA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, MEA

{Tape:1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 24.5 - 26.0}

QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE:

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 26.1 - End of Tape 2, Side A; Comments: Members of the committee questioned witnesses.}

Closing by Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE KITZENBERG

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 0.2 - 2.7; Comments: Sponsor closed.}

HEARING ON HB 29

Sponsor: REP. JOHN C. BOHLINGER - EXHIBIT 5

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 5.1 - 12.7; Comments: Rep. Bohlinger opened HB 29 and offered an amendment.}

Proponents:

DON WALDRON, MREA

LANCE MELTON, MSBA

W. JAMES KEMBEL, CITY OF BILLINGS

PHIL CAMPBELL, MEA

TERRY MINOW, MFT

LORAN FRAZIER, SAM

JOHN CONNOR, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 12.8 - 16.9; Comments: All gave brief support statements.}

Opponents:

BUD ELWELL, NORTHWEST FIREARMS COLLECTORS

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 17.2 - 19.1}

ROGER CAREY, ATTORNEY

{Tape: 2 ; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 19.3 - Tape 3, Side A, Approximate Time Count 5.3}

CHAIRMAN BOB CLARK

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.5 - 16.0; Comments: Chairman Clark said further hearing on the bill would be suspended until further notice and conducted other committee business.}

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ADJOURNMENT

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11 AM.



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REP. BOB CLARK, Chairman



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JOANNE GUNDERSON, Secretary

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