

MINUTES

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

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN DUANE GRIMES, on January 27, 1997, at
3:00 P.M., in Room 104

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Duane Grimes, Chairman (R)
Rep. Loren L. Soft, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)
Rep. Carolyn M. Squires, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Chris Ahner (R)
Rep. Ellen Bergman (R)
Rep. William E. Boharski (R)
Rep. John C. Bohlinger (R)
Rep. Bill Carey (D)
Rep. Deb Kottel (D)
Rep. Billie Krenzler (D)
Rep. Brad Molnar (R)
Rep. Wes Prouse (R)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Bruce T. Simon (R)
Rep. Liz Smith (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Billie Krenzler

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: David Niss, Legislative Services Division
Mary Lou Bruno, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: SB 14; HB 298 (1-22-97)

Executive Action: HB 298
HB 108
HB 149

Hearing on HB 298

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. ROYAL JOHNSON, H.D. 10
introduced the bill
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 2.1; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Laurie Ekanger, Director, Dept. Health and Human Services
EXHIBIT 1.
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 8.5; Comments: None}

Cindy Lewis, St. Peter's Hospital, Helena, Montana
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 11.2; Comments: None.}

Andrea Merrill, Exec. Dir. Mental Health of Montana
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 13.9; Comments: None.}

Bob Olson, Mt. Hospital Association
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 15.3; Comments: None.}

Tanya Ask, Blue Cross-Blue Shield
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 16.2; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 17.2; Comments:

Closing by Sponsor: REP. ROYAL JOHNSON closed.
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 18.3; Comments: None.}

HEARING ON SB 14

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. CHUCK SWYSGOOD, S.D. 17
introduced the bill. EXHIBIT 2.
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 35.6; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Nancy Ellery, Dept. of Health and Human Services
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 40.0; Comments: None.}
EXHIBIT 3

Curt Chisholm, Deputy Director Dept. Environmental Quality
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 43.3; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 5.0; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: Sen. Swysgood closed.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 26.9; Comments: None.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION HB 298

MOTION: REP. DIANE SANDS MOVED H.B. 298 DO PASS

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 24.0; Comments: None}

VOTE: The question was called. Motion passed roll call 11-4

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 24.0; Comments: None.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 149

Motion: REP DIANE SANDS MOVED H.B.149 DO PASS

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 27.9; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. SQUIRES moved to adopt Johnson amendments.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 29.2; Comments: None.

Motion failed on roll call vote 6-9

Motion/Vote: REP KOTTEL motioned to accept paragraph 3 & 4 of same amendment. Motion failed roll call vote 9-6.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 35.3; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. SIMON MOVED HB 149 BE TABLED

Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 37.6; Comments: None.}

Motion passed roll call vote 8-7.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 128

EXHIBITS 4-5-6 Were passed out for the committee's consideration

Motion: REP.KOTELL Moved HB 108 Do PASS

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 5.0; Comments: N

Motion: REP . KOTELL moved to adopt the amendments.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 1.3; Comments: None

Vote: Motion passed to adopt REP.KOTELL amendments 13-0

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 5.0; Comments: None.}

Motion\Vote: REP. BOHLINGER moved to adopt amendment. Motion failed 4-10 on a roll call vote.
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 36.6; Comments: None.}

Motion\Vote: REP. PROUSE moved to adopt amendment. Motion failed 5-9 on a roll call vote.
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 37.2; Comments: None.}

Motion\Vote: REP. SQUIRES MOVED DO PASS AS AMENDED.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 6:15 P.M.


REP. DUANE GRIMES, CHAIRMAN


Secretary, Mary Lou Bruno

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