

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, on March 20, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gerald (Jerry) Bennett, Chair (R)
Rep. Pat Connell, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Virginia Court, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)
Rep. Jennifer Eck (D)
Rep. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)
Rep. Kathleen Williams (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch
Marissa Stockton, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: SB 18, SB 19, SB 48, SB 201, SB 217, SB 262, SB 346

00:19:05 Chair Bennett

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 346

00:19:20 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 346 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:19:38 **Motion:** Rep. Williams moved that **SB 346 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(nah60a01)

Discussion:

00:20:37 Chair Bennett

00:20:39 Rep. Williams

00:21:58 Chair Bennett

00:22:05 Rep. Connell

00:22:41 Chair Bennett

00:22:49 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

00:23:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 346 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy. Rep. Bennett will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 19

00:23:48 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 19 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:24:05 **Motion:** Rep. Warburton moved that **SB 19 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(nah60a02)

Discussion:

00:24:53 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:26:34 Rep. Miller

00:26:36 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:27:10 Rep. Warburton

00:27:58 Rep. White

00:28:54 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:29:36 Rep. White

00:30:06 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:31:08 Rep. Hoven

00:31:21 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:32:36 Rep. Fitzpatrick

00:33:27 Rep. Connell

00:34:52 Rep. Pomnichowski

00:35:44 Rep. Warburton

00:36:19 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski, Rep. Warburton, Rep. White and Rep. Williams voting aye. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

00:37:20 Chair Bennett
00:37:23 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:39:04 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 19 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(nah60a03)

Discussion:

00:39:22 Rep. Miller
00:39:31 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:39:44 Rep. Miller
00:39:54 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:40:53 Rep. Connell
00:41:19 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:41:33 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:42:20 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:42:29 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:42:34 Rep. Fitzpatrick
00:42:59 Rep. Warburton
00:43:10 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:43:31 Rep. Williams
00:43:35 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:44:02 Chair Bennett
00:44:15 Rep. Warburton
00:44:33 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:45:03 **Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 19 BE AMENDED.** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Doane, Rep. Hoven, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Pomnichowski, Rep. Warburton, Rep. White and Rep. Williams voting aye. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

00:46:03 Chair Bennett
00:46:19 Rep. Williams
00:47:12 Rep. White
00:48:05 Rep. Williams
00:49:50 Chair Bennett
00:49:55 Rep. Williams
00:50:03 Chair Bennett
00:50:20 Joe Kolman, LSD
00:50:40 Rep. Williams

00:50:55 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 19 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 9-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Pomnichowski, Rep. Warburton and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Connell will carry the bill.

00:51:57 Chair Bennett

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 18

00:52:28 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 18 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:52:47 Chair Bennett

00:53:42 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 18 BE AMENDED.**

[**EXHIBIT\(nah60a04\)**](#)

Discussion:

00:53:55 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:55:58 Chair Bennett

00:56:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

00:56:20 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 18 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

00:57:06 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 18 BE AMENDED.**

[**EXHIBIT\(nah60a05\)**](#)

Discussion:

00:57:21 Joe Kolman, LSD

00:59:20 Rep. Williams

01:00:23 Chair Bennett

01:00:34 Rep. Williams

01:01:01 Rep. Connell

01:01:30 Joe Kolman, LSD

01:02:00 Rep. Hoven

01:02:35 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Connell, Rep. Eck, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

01:03:31 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 18 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:03:47 Rep. Connell

01:05:50 Chair Bennett

01:07:07 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy. Rep. Connell will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 48

01:07:39 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 48 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:08:01 Joe Kolman

01:08:47 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy. Rep. Doane will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 201

01:09:17 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 201 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:09:28 Joe Kolman, LSD
 01:10:00 Rep. Lieser
 01:11:09 Rep. White
 01:13:11 Rep. Court
 01:13:46 Rep. Williams
 01:14:18 Joe Kolman, LSD
 01:14:40 Rep. Williams
 01:14:52 Chair Bennett
 01:15:02 Rep. Connell
 01:18:08 Rep. Hoven

01:18:45 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Connell, Rep. Doane, Rep. Fitzpatrick, Rep. Galt, Rep. Shaw, Rep. Warburton and Rep. White voting aye. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

01:19:52 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 201 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 13-3 by voice vote with Rep. Doane, Rep. Hoven and Rep. Warburton voting no. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 217

01:20:47 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 217 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:20:56 Chair Bennett
 01:21:06 Joe Kolman, LSD
 01:22:12 Chair Bennett
 01:22:18 Rep. Williams
 01:22:23 Joe Kolman, LSD
 01:22:30 Rep. Williams
 01:23:14 Rep. Williams
 01:24:21 Chair Bennett

01:24:34 **Motion:** Rep. Williams moved that **SB 217 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(nah60a06\)](#)

Discussion:

01:24:48 Rep. White

01:24:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

01:25:16 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 217 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:25:29 Rep. White
01:26:38 Rep. Lieser
01:28:23 Chair Bennett
01:29:14 Rep. Connell

01:29:55 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Court, Rep. Eck, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Pomnichowski and Rep. Williams voting no. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy. Rep. Connell will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 262

01:32:09 Chair Bennett

01:32:39 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 262 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

01:32:50 Joe Kolman, LSD
01:33:20 Rep. Hoven
01:34:35 Rep. Doane
01:35:24 Rep. Eck
01:36:13 Chair Bennett
01:36:25 Rep. Williams

01:37:20 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bennett, Rep. Connell, Rep. Doane, Rep. Fitzpatrick, Rep. Galt, Rep. Shaw, Rep. Warburton and Rep. White voting aye. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

01:37:23 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 262 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 14-2 by voice vote with Rep. Doane and Rep. Galt voting no. Rep. Lynch voted by proxy.

01:37:41 Chair Bennett

ADJOURNMENT

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Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nah60aad.pdf](#))