

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Alan Olson, on January 31, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Alan Olson, Chair (R)  
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Ron Arthun (R)  
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)  
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)  
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)  
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)  
Sen. Edward Walker (R)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)  
Sen. Llew Jones (R)  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)  
Sen. Jason Priest (R)  
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Julie Emge, Committee Secretary  
Sonja Nowakowski, 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:**

Executive Action on: SB 164 DPAA

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 164**

00:22:30 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SB 164 DO PASS.**

00:23:00 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SB 164 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(ens21a01)**

**Discussion:**

00:23:13 Chairman Olson

00:23:17 Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:25:05 Sen. Tropila

00:25:20 Ms. Nowakowski, LSD

00:25:47 Sen. Tropila

00:26:06 Tom Ebzery, representing Avista Corporation (AC)

00:26:41 Chairman Olson

00:26:58 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Essmann, Sen. Jones, Sen. Kaufmann, Sen. Priest and Sen. Vincent voted by proxy.

00:27:30 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SB 164 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**  
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Essmann, Sen. Jones, Sen. Kaufmann, Sen. Priest and Sen. Vincent voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:11 p.m.

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Julie Emge, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([ens21aad.pdf](#))**