

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Roger Webb, on January 29, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Roger Webb, Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Pat Connell (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch
Barbara Pietuch, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action Only: SB 150 - DO PASS, SB 134 - TABLED, SB 182 - TABLED

00:00:01 Chairman Webb

00:01:42 **Motion:** Sen. Connell moved to form a committee study resolution on net metering.

EXHIBIT(ens20a01)

Discussion:

00:04:13 Chairman Webb
 00:04:24 Sen. Driscoll
 00:04:42 Sen. Connell
 00:04:46 Sen. Driscoll
 00:05:27 Sonja Nowakowski, research analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 00:05:38 Sen. Windy Boy
 00:06:32 Sen. Connell
 00:07:57 Chairman Webb
 00:08:00 Sen. Tutvedt
 00:08:36 Sen. Keane
 00:08:41 Ms. Nowakowski, LSD
 00:08:48 Sen. Keane
 00:08:56 Ms. Nowakowski
 00:09:19 Sen. Keane
 00:09:54 Chairman Webb
 00:09:58 Sen. Ankney
 00:12:04 Sen. Kary
 00:12:56 Chairman Webb
 00:13:02 Sen. Connell
 00:15:06 Without objection Sen. Connell withdrew his motion.
 00:15:19 Chairman Webb

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 150

00:15:53 **Motion:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 150 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:16:05 Sen. Windy Boy
 00:17:20 Chairman Webb

00:17:23 **Motion:** Sen. Driscoll moved that **SB 150 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(ens20a02)

Discussion:

00:17:59 Sen. Driscoll
 00:18:07 Sonja Nowakowski, research analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 00:18:26 Chairman Webb
 00:18:28 Sen. Windy Boy
 00:19:15 Chairman Webb

00:19:23 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-10 by roll call vote with Sen. Driscoll, Sen. Larsen and Sen. McNally voting aye. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

00:20:34 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 150 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 134

00:22:07 **Motion:** Sen. Blasdel moved that **SB 134 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:22:19 Sen. McNally

00:24:10 Chairman Webb

00:24:19 Sen. Keane

00:26:43 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-10 by roll call vote with Sen. Driscoll, Sen. Larsen and Sen. McNally voting aye. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

00:27:49 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Windy Boy moved that **SB 134 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-0 by voice vote. Sen. Larsen was excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 182

00:28:12 **Motion:** Sen. McNally moved that **SB 182 DO PASS**.

00:30:22 **Motion:** Sen. McNally moved that **SB 182 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(ens20a03\)](#)

Discussion:

00:30:58 Chairman Webb

00:31:09 Sen. McNally

00:32:00 **Vote:** Motion failed 6-7 by roll call vote with Sen. Driscoll, Sen. Kary, Sen. Keane, Sen. Larsen, Sen. McNally and Sen. Windy Boy voting aye. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

00:33:28 **Motion:** Sen. McNally moved that **SB 182 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(ens20a04\)](#)

Discussion:

00:33:50 Sen. McNally

00:37:24 Chairman Webb

00:37:31 Sen. Keane

00:37:45 Sonja Nowakowski, research analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:38:10 Sen. Keane

00:38:47 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-9 by roll call vote with Sen. Driscoll, Sen. Larsen, Sen. McNally and Sen. Windy Boy voting aye. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

Discussion:

00:39:52 Sen. Tutvedt

00:40:48 Sen. Keane

00:41:48 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-9 by roll call vote with Sen. Driscoll, Sen. Larsen, Sen. McNally and Sen. Windy Boy voting aye. Sen. Larsen voted by proxy.

00:43:07 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. L. Jones moved that **SB 182 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-0 by voice vote. Sen. Larsen was excused.

Committee Business:

00:43:43 Chairman Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:45 PM

Barbara Pietuch, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([ens20aad.pdf](#))