

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL RELATIONS, ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Daniel Zolnikov, on January 9, 2019 at 3:04 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Daniel Zolnikov, Chair (R)
Rep. Christopher Pope, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Derek Skees, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Wylie Galt (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Robyn Brown, 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: Organizational Meeting

Introductions:

15:05:28 Chair Zolnikov
15:05:40 Rep. Doane
15:05:55 Rep. Olsen
15:06:29 Rep. Custer
15:06:41 Rep. Hayman
15:07:28 Rep. Duram
15:07:53 Rep. Pope
15:08:18 Vice Chair Skees
15:08:52 Chair Zolnikov
15:09:20 Rep. Sullivan
15:10:02 Rep. Redfield
15:10:11 Rep. Stewart Peregoy
15:10:20 Chair Zolnikov
15:10:49 Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:11:50 Robyn Brown, Committee Clerk
15:12:38 Chair Zolnikov
15:12:45 Cameron Durckel, Assistant Sergeant at Arms
15:14:47 Chair Zolnikov

Committee Business:

15:15:24 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD

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15:16:43 Chair Zolnikov
15:17:02 Vice Chair Skees
15:17:22 Chair Zolnikov

15:17:35 **Motion/Vote:** Vice Chair Skees moved the **2019 DRAFT FEDERAL RELATIONS, ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote of those present.

Introduction of Agencies:

15:18:37 Chair Zolnikov
15:19:33 Mark David Reller, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)
15:29:39 Chair Zolnikov
15:30:45 Tim Baker, Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NWPCC)
15:33:45 Chair Zolnikov
15:33:50 Brad Johnson, Chairman, Montana Public Service Commission (PSC)
15:40:45 Tony O'Donnell, Commissioner, Montana Public Service Commission (PSC)
15:41:09 Chair Zolnikov
15:41:12 Bob Nelson, Montana Consumer Council
15:44:19 Chair Zolnikov
15:44:27 Laura Rennick, Bureau Chief, Energy Bureau, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
15:46:24 Chair Zolnikov

Lobbyist Introductions:

15:46:26 Adam Haight, Montana AFL-CIO
15:46:53 David Hoffman, Northwestern Energy (NWE)

15:48:21 Gary Forrester, Montana and Dakota Utilities (MDU)
15:49:40 Jeff Fox, Renewable Northwest
15:51:00 Gary Wiens, Montana Electric Cooperative Association (MECA)
15:52:10 Brian Fadie, Montana Environmental Information Center (MEIC)
15:53:48 Chair Zolnikov

Questions/Comments from Committee:

15:53:52 Rep. Duram
15:54:00 Chairman Johnson, PSC
15:54:54 Chair Zolnikov
15:55:35 Vice Chair Skees
15:57:42 Chair Zolnikov
15:57:46 Rep. Doane
15:58:10 Vice Chair Skees
15:58:53 Chair Zolnikov

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:59:17

Robyn Brown, Secretary

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