

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Daniel Zolnikov, on February 6, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Daniel Zolnikov, Chair (R)
Rep. Derek Skees, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (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. Christopher Pope, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Kim Meismer, Committee Secretary
Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 12, 2/1/2019
Executive Action: HB 93, HB 203, HB 241, HB 356

15:02:41 Chair Zolnikov

HEARING ON HJ 12

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:03:35 Rep. Joe Read (R), HD 93, opened the hearing on HJ 12, Study resolution on defense of state infrastructure.

EXHIBIT(feh24a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

None

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:05:15 Rep. Read, HD93
15:12:19 Chair Zolnikov
15:12:49 Rep. Read, HD93
15:13:02 Rep. Redfield
15:13:51 Chair Zolnikov
15:14:22 David Hoffman, Northwestern Energy
15:14:35 Rep. Olsen
15:15:25 Rep. Read, HD93
15:15:47 Chair Zolnikov

Closing by Sponsor:

15:16:29 Rep. Read, HD93
15:18:42 Chair Zolnikov

15:19:18 Recessed
15:40:58 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 93

15:41:06 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 93 DO PASS.**

15:41:17 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 93 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

15:41:47 Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

EXHIBIT(feh24a02)

15:43:07 Chair Zolnikov
15:43:10 Rep. Olsen
15:44:20 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD

- 15:44:32 Rep. Olsen
15:44:45 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
15:45:41 Rep. Olsen
15:45:47 Vice Chair Skees
15:45:59 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
15:46:07 Chair Zolnikov
- 15:46:34 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.
- 15:47:30 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 93 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**
- 15:48:17 **Motion:** Rep. Olsen moved that **HB 93 BE AMENDED.**
[EXHIBIT\(feh24a03\)](#)

Discussion:

- 15:48:43 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
15:49:39 Rep. Redfield
15:50:09 Vice Chair Skees
15:50:43 Rep. Olsen
15:51:51 Rep. Custer
- 15:52:13 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.
- 15:53:05 Vice Chair Skees
15:54:32 Rep. Hayman
15:55:02 Chair Zolnikov
- 15:56:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 203

- 15:57:49 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 203 DO PASS.**
- 15:58:01 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hayman made a substitute motion that **HB 203 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 241

15:58:45 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 241 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:59:04 Rep. Olsen

16:00:05 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Olsen moved that **HB 241 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 11-1 by voice vote with Rep. Redfield voting no. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(feh24a04)

16:01:33 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 241 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

16:01:44 **Motion:** Rep. Hayman moved that **HB 241 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(feh24a05)

Discussion:

16:02:01 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD

16:02:14 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

16:02:47 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 241 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

16:02:53 Chair Zolnikov

16:03:00 Rep. Hayman

16:04:04 Chair Zolnikov

16:05:00 Vice Chair Skees

16:06:05 Chair Zolnikov

16:06:14 Rep. Custer

16:07:37 Rep. Olsen

16:10:56 Rep. Duram

16:11:00 Rep. Hayman left the meeting.

16:11:23 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt, Rep. Hayman and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

16:12:39 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 241 BE TABLED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Doane and Rep. Galt voted by proxy. Rep. Hayman and Rep. Pope were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 356

16:13:45 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HB 356 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

16:14:07 Chair Zolnikov

16:14:26 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt, Rep. Hayman and Rep. Pope voted by proxy.

16:14:56 Chair Zolnikov

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:15:05

Kim Meisner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([feh24aad.pdf](#))