

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

**Call to Order:** Chair Kerry White, on April 10, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Kerry White, Chair (R)  
Rep. Willis Curdy, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Theresa Manzella, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Bob Brown (R)  
Rep. Zach Brown (D)  
Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D)  
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)  
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)  
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. Mark Noland (R)  
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch  
Jacie Vonada, Committee Secretary

**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: HJ 44, SB 329, SB 343, SB 32

15:10:39 Chair White

**Discussion on Proposed Amendments:**

15:13:19 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

**EXHIBIT(nah75a01)**

**EXHIBIT(nah75a02)**

15:15:35 Chair White

15:15:53 Chris Dorrington, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

15:16:40 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter

15:16:56 Mr. Dorrington, DEQ

15:17:29 Rep. Bob Brown

15:17:49 Mr. Dorrington, DEQ

15:18:33 Chair White

15:18:50 Joe Kolman, LSD

**EXHIBIT(nah75a03)**

15:19:34 Chair White

15:20:25 Vice Chair Curdy

15:20:31 Joe Kolman, LSD

**EXHIBIT(nah75a04)**

15:21:20 Chair White

15:21:39 Joe Kolman, LSD

15:21:50 Chair White

15:22:29 Rep. Zach Brown

15:22:39 Vice Chair Curdy

15:24:03 Chair White

15:24:18 Recessed

15:47:00 Reconvened

15:47:45 Chair White

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 44**

15:48:13 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HJ 44 DO PASS.**

15:48:24 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HJ 44 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**See EXHIBIT(3)**

15:49:00 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HJ 44 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Farris-Olsen, Rep. Kerr-Carpenter, Rep. Marler and Rep. Weatherwax voting no.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 329**

15:50:36 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 329 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:50:58 Chair White  
15:51:53 Rep. Bob Brown  
15:52:20 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter

15:53:17 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Curdy, Rep. Farris-Olsen, Rep. Kerr-Carpenter, Rep. Marler and Rep. Weatherwax voting no. Rep. Bob Brown will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 343**

15:54:32 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 343 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:54:46 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 343 BE AMENDED.**  
**See EXHIBIT(1)**

**Discussion:**

15:55:25 Chair White  
15:56:56 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter  
15:57:17 Rep. Gunderson

15:57:46 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

15:58:07 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 343 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

15:58:21 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 343 BE AMENDED.**  
**See EXHIBIT(2)**

**Discussion:**

15:58:41 Rep. Gunderson

16:00:00 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

16:00:13 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **SB 343 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

16:00:31 Chair White  
16:02:20 Chris Dorrington, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)  
16:02:48 Chair White

16:03:52 Mr. Dorrington, DEQ  
16:04:09 Rep. Zach Brown  
16:06:32 Chair White  
16:06:54 Rep. Noland  
  
16:07:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Gunderson will carry the bill.

### **EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 32**

16:07:57 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Curdy moved that **SB 32 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.** Motion carried 10-5 by roll call vote with Rep. C. Knudsen, Rep. R. Knudsen, Rep. Manzella, Rep. Mortensen and Rep. Noland voting no.  
  
16:09:26 **Motion:** Rep. Curdy moved that **SB 32 BE CONCURRED IN.**  
  
16:09:48 **Motion:** Rep. Curdy moved that **SB 32 BE AMENDED.**  
**See EXHIBIT(4)**

#### **Discussion:**

16:10:13 Vice Chair Curdy  
16:13:37 Rep. Rhonda Knudsen  
16:14:07 Vice Chair Curdy  
16:14:17 Rep. Rhonda Knudsen  
16:14:25 Vice Chair Curdy  
16:14:57 Rep. Zach Brown  
16:16:28 Rep. Fitzgerald  
16:16:59 Rep. Bob Brown  
16:17:42 Chair White  
  
16:18:16 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.  
  
16:18:29 **Motion:** Rep. Curdy moved that **SB 32 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**  
  
**Discussion:**  
16:18:46 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter  
16:19:02 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
16:19:35 Chair White  
  
16:19:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. C. Knudsen, Rep. Mortensen, Rep. Noland and Rep. White voting no. Rep. Fitzgerald will carry the bill.  
  
16:20:55 Chair White

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 16:21:38

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Jacie Vonada, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([nah75aad.pdf](#))