

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Daniel Zolnikov, on April 12, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472 of the 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. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lydia Balian, Committee Secretary
Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: HJ 47, HJ 41, SB 331

15:44:25 Chair Zolnikov

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 47

15:44:29 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Skees moved that **HJ 47 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Galt and Rep. Hayman voted by proxy.

Discussion:

15:46:07 Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:48:13 Recessed

14:06:00 Reconvened with Rep. Hayman in attendance.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 41

16:07:09 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **HJ 41 DO PASS**.

16:07:21 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Skees made a substitute motion that **HJ 41 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion failed 6-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt, Rep. Redfield, Rep. Skees and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

16:09:26 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Olsen moved that **HJ 41 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt, Rep. Redfield, Rep. Skees and Rep. Zolnikov voting no. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(feh77a01)

16:12:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Olsen moved that **HJ 41 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried 9-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt and Rep. Redfield voting no. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(feh77a02)

16:14:08 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Skees moved that **HJ 41 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion failed 6-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Duram, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

16:15:12 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Skees moved that **HJ 41 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 331

16:18:25 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **SB 331 BE CONCURRED IN**.

16:18:39 **Motion:** Rep. Redfield moved that **SB 331 BE AMENDED**.

EXHIBIT(feh77a03)

Discussion:

16:18:52 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:19:26 Vice Chair Pope
16:20:00 Rep. Hayman
16:20:43 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:22:34 Rep. Hayman
16:22:56 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:23:12 Rep. Hayman

16:24:03 Recessed
16:29:27 Reconvened

16:30:05 Vice Chair Skees
16:30:48 Chair Zolnikov

16:31:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman voting no. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.

16:32:00 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **SB 331 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

16:32:11 **Motion:** Rep. Hayman moved that **SB 331 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE PROHIBITING THE PURCHASE OF TRANSMISSION LINES MORE THAN THE ADDITIONAL 150 MEGAWATTS.**

Discussion:

16:32:40 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:33:02 Chair Zolnikov
16:33:09 Rep. Hayman
16:33:57 Vice Chair Skees
16:34:22 Rep. Hayman
16:34:44 Chair Zolnikov
16:35:44 Rep. Hayman
16:36:16 Chair Zolnikov

16:36:47 Recessed
16:49:34 Reconvened

16:49:55 Without objection, Rep. Hayman withdrew the BE AMENDED motion.

16:50:14 **Motion:** Rep. Hayman moved that **SB 331 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(feh77a04)

Discussion:

16:50:26 Rep. Hayman
16:51:16 Rep. Redfield
16:51:52 Rep. Custer
16:52:58 Vice Chair Pope
16:53:35 Rep. Duram
16:54:05 Chair Zolnikov
16:54:20 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD

- 16:54:33 Rep. Hayman
16:56:12 Vice Chair Skees
16:56:38 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:56:50 Vice Chair Skees
16:57:09 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:57:35 Vice Chair Skees
16:57:52 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
16:58:06 Chair Zolnikov
- 16:58:20 **Vote:** Motion failed 6-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Pope, Rep. Stewart Peregoy, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.
- 16:59:22 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **SB 331 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**
- 16:59:30 **Motion:** Rep. Olsen moved that **SB 331 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(feh77a05)

Discussion:

- 17:00:20 Rep. Custer
17:00:54 Rep. Olsen
17:01:58 Vice Chair Skees
17:02:18 Rep. Olsen
17:02:50 Vice Chair Skees
17:03:27 Rep. Olsen
17:04:28 Vice Chair Pope
17:04:56 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
17:05:26 Chair Zolnikov
17:05:33 Rep. Duram
17:06:50 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
17:06:46 Rep. Custer
17:08:03 Rep. Redfield
- 17:09:38 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Doane, Rep. Galt, Rep. Redfield and Rep. Skees voting no. Rep. Galt voted by proxy.
- 17:09:34 **Motion:** Rep. Skees moved that **SB 331 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

- 17:09:44 Vice Chair Skees
17:10:49 Vice Chair Pope
17:13:03 Rep. Olsen
17:13:30 Chair Zolnikov
- 17:14:25 **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. Galt voted by proxy. Rep. Zolnikov will carry the bill.
- 17:15:18 Chair Zolnikov

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:15:40

Lydia Balian, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([feh77aad.pdf](#))