

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Duane Ankney, on February 26, 2019 at 2:45 PM, in Room 317
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)
Sen. Mary McNally, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Jason D. Small, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Sue Malek (D)
Sen. Mike Phillips (D)
Sen. Keith Regier (R)
Sen. Tom Richmond (R)
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Trevor Graff, Legislative Branch
Jacelyn Stewart, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: SR 34, 2/22/2019; SR 35, 2/22/2019

Executive Action: SR 34 - Be Adopted
SR 35 - Be Adopted

14:48:20 Sen. McNally entered the meeting.
14:48:41 Sen. Barrett
14:48:56 Chair Ankney turned over the duties and responsibilities of the Chair to Vice Chair Small.
14:49:07 Chair Small

HEARING ON SR 34

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

14:49:20 Sen. Duane Ankney (R), SD 20, opened the hearing on SR 34, Confirm Governor's appointees to Coal Board.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

14:50:54 Sen. Phillips
14:51:31 Sen. Cuffe
14:52:53 Sen. Small

Closing by Sponsor:

14:53:48 Sen. Ankney
14:55:18 Sen. Malek entered the meeting.

HEARING ON SR 35

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

14:55:21 Sen. Duane Ankney (R), SD 20, opened the hearing on SR 35, Confirm Governor's appointees to Hard-Rock Mining Impact board.

Proponents' Testimony:

14:56:14 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

14:57:04 Sen. Phillips
14:57:28 Sen. Barrett
14:57:53 Trevor Graff, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
14:58:26 Chair Small
14:58:32 Mr. Graff, LSD

14:58:38 Sen. Cuffe
14:58:56 Sen. Phillips
14:59:48 Sen. Barrett
15:00:11 Chair Small

15:00:17 Brief Recess
15:17:34 Reconvened

15:17:51 Sen. Ankney
15:18:41 Sen. Cuffe
15:19:06 Chair Small
15:19:19 Sen. Barrett

Closing by Sponsor:

15:19:51 Sen. Ankney

15:20:01 Sen. Ankney resumed the position and duties of the Chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 34

15:20:32 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SR 34 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 12-0 by voice vote. Sen. Vuckovich was excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 35

15:20:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Barrett moved that **SR 35 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried 12-0 by voice vote. Sen. Vuckovich was excused.

15:21:37 Mr. Graff
15:21:44 Chair Ankney

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:22 PM

Jacelyn Stewart, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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