

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Roger Webb, on March 8, 2019 at 9:00 AM, in Room 405 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Roger Webb, Chair (R)  
Sen. Dick Barrett, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Brian Hoven, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)  
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)  
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)  
Sen. Tom Richmond (R)  
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Mark Blasdel (R); Sen. Mike Phillips (D); Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jaret Coles, Legislative Branch  
Charlene Devine, 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:** Committee Work Session on SB 239

09:01:55 Chair Webb

**Committee Work Session on SB 239:**

09:03:28 Sen. Jason Ellsworth, SD 43

09:07:56 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:08:06 Chair Webb left the meeting and Vice Chair Hoven assumed the role of the Chair.

09:09:35 Geoff Feiss, Montana Telecommunications Association (MTA)

**EXHIBIT(tas47a01)**

09:12:57 Sen. Pomnichowski

09:13:20 Mr. Feiss, MTA

09:13:46 Sen. Barrett

09:18:04 Mr. Feiss

09:18:08 Sen. Cohenour

09:23:14 Mr. Feiss

09:24:13 Sen. Barrett

09:25:44 Sen. Webb entered the meeting.

09:29:44 Mr. Feiss

09:30:23 Chair Hoven

09:31:12 Mr. Feiss

09:31:16 Chair Hoven

09:31:50 Craig Gates, Triangle Telephone Cooperative (TTC)

09:32:09 Chair Hoven

09:32:24 Sen. Cohenour

09:34:13 Mr. Gates, TTC

09:36:47 Chair Hoven

09:37:03 Mr. Gates

09:37:07 Sen. Webb

09:37:13 Mr. Gates

09:37:48 Chair Hoven

09:39:25 Mr. Gates

09:41:00 Sen. Cohenour

09:41:11 Mr. Gates

09:41:47 Sen. Ellsworth

09:49:45 Sen. Barrett

09:49:57 Chair Hoven

09:50:38 Mr. Gates

09:52:00 Chair Hoven

09:53:53 Jason Moothart, InterBel Telephone Cooperative (IBTC)

09:54:16 Sen. Cohenour

10:03:35 Mark Baker, Charter Communications (CHTR)

10:03:49 Sen. Richmond

10:04:27 Mr. Baker, CHTR

10:05:00 Sen. Ellsworth

10:08:45 Sen. Gillespie

10:09:10 Sen. Tempel  
10:10:59 Mr. Gates  
10:11:08 Sen. Cohenour  
10:13:40 Ed Caplis, Department of Revenue (DOR)  
10:14:03 Sen. Cohenour  
10:14:59 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:15:16 Sen. Barrett  
10:19:45 Mr. Caplis, DOR  
10:20:21 Sen. Barrett  
10:20:40 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:20:56 Jaret Coles, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
10:21:37 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:21:49 Sen. Barrett  
10:22:25 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:23:23 Mr. Moothart, IBTC  
10:23:48 Sen. Barrett  
10:25:36 Mr. Moothart  
10:26:39 Chair Hoven  
10:27:04 Mr. Moothart  
10:28:13 Sen. McClafferty  
10:29:06 Mr. Moothart  
10:29:22 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:31:00 Chair Hoven  
10:31:03 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:32:47 Sen. Cohenour  
10:33:19 Sen. Ellsworth  
10:35:03 Sen. Cohenour  
10:35:35 Mr. Baker  
10:37:38 Sen. Cohenour  
10:37:57 Mr. Baker  
10:39:35 Sen. Barrett  
10:42:41 Mr. Baker  
10:44:16 Sen. Barrett  
10:44:24 Sen. Gillespie  
10:46:03 Mr. Baker  
10:47:55 Sen. Barrett  
10:48:51 Mr. Baker  
10:50:05 Sen. Cohenour  
10:50:12 Mr. Baker  
10:50:45 Sen. Richmond  
10:51:27 Mr. Baker  
10:51:58 Sen. Ellsworth

**EXHIBIT(tas47a02)**

10:56:53 Mr. Caplis  
11:01:05 Sen. Ellsworth  
11:04:33 Chair Hoven  
11:05:15 Mr. Feiss  
11:05:24 Sen. Barrett  
11:05:31 Chair Hoven

11:05:52 Mr. Feiss  
11:05:58 Sen. Tempel  
11:06:14 Mr. Feiss  
11:07:25 Sen. Barrett  
11:07:52 Mr. Feiss

**Committee Business:**

11:08:59 Sen. McClafferty

11:09:20 Sen Webb resumed the role of the Chair.

11:09:51 Sen. Barrett  
11:09:58 Chair Webb  
11:11:27 Sen. Barrett  
11:11:54 Sen. Cohenour  
11:12:04 Chair Webb  
11:12:14 Sen. Barrett  
11:12:19 Chair Webb  
11:12:37 Sen. McClafferty  
11:12:48 Chair Webb  
11:12:52 Sen. Barrett  
11:13:15 Mr. Coles, LSD  
11:14:57 Sen. Barrett  
11:15:44 Chair Webb  
11:16:11 Sen. Barrett  
11:16:50 Sen. Hoven  
11:16:58 Sen. Barrett  
11:17:06 Chair Webb  
11:17:44 Sen. Hoven  
11:17:53 Chair Webb  
11:18:23 Sen. Barrett  
11:19:40 Chair Webb  
11:19:44 Sen. Hoven  
11:19:50 Sen. Gillespie  
11:19:52 Chair Webb

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:20 AM

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Charlene Devine, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([tas47aad.pdf](#))**