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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPS SUBCOM ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

Call to Order: Chair Bill Mercer, on January 12, 2021 at 8:00 AM, in Room 317A Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bill Mercer, Chair (R)
Sen. David Howard, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)
Sen. Ryan Osmundson (R)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. David Howard, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Cristen Friede, Committee Secretary
Marci Lewandowski, Legislative Branch
Jacquie Simmons, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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: Public Service Commission

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08:00:52 Marci Lewendowski, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
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08:02:54 Rep. Patelis
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08:03:50 Rep.Nave
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08:05:11 Cristen Friede, Committee Clerk
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08:07:44 Marci Lewendowski, LFD
08:07:50 [EXHIBIT\(jch07a01\)](#)

08:09:00 Chair Mercer
08:09:18 Sen. Osmundson
08:10:28 Chair Mercer
08:10:54 Marci Lewendowski, LFD
08:11:13 Chair Mercer
08:11:23 Rep.Nave
08:11:27 Marci Lewendowski, LFD
08:12:04 Vice Chair Howard joined the meeting
08:13:17 Chair Mercer
08:14:02 Vice Chair Howard
08:14:31 Chair Mercer
08:14:38 Vice Chair Howard
08:16:11 Chair Mercer
08:16:53 Commissioner James Brown, Public Service Commission (PSC)
08:18:24 Chair Mercer
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08:32:39 Commissioner Brown, PSC
08:32:39 Chair Mercer
08:38:44 Marci Lewendowski, LFD
08:43:05 Chair Mercer
08:43:28 Christine Hultin, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
08:44:17 Chair Mercer
08:44:53 Rep. Patelis
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08:57:56 Commissioner Brown, PSC
08:58:01 Chair Mercer
08:58:07 Mandi Hinman, PSC
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09:00:00 Commissioner Brown, PSC
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09:02:08 Commissioner Brown, PSC
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09:02:20 Mandi Himan, PSC
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09:07:26 Commissioner Brown, PSC
09:09:51 Chair Mercer
09:10:14 Commissioner Brad Johnson, Public Service Commission (PSC)
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09:23:15 Will Rosquist, Public Service Commission (PSC)
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09:25:04 Commissioner Johnson, PSC
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09:27:49 Christine Hultin, OBPP
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09:48:39 Commissioner Brown, PSC
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09:55:37 Commissioner Johnson, Vice Chair PSC
09:55:50 Chair Mercer
09:56:22 Vice Chair Howard
10:00:31 Commissioner Brown, Chairman PSC
10:01:36 Vice Chair Howard
10:01:43 Senator Lynch
10:01:51 Vice Chair Howard assumed the Chair
10:02:05 Commissioner Brown, PSC
10:02:16 Vice Chair Howard
10:02:21 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
10:02:29 Commissioner Brown, PSC
10:02:42 Luke Casey, Public Service Commission (PSC)
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10:04:25 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:06:46

Cristen Friede, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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