

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Derek Skees, on March 31, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Derek Skees, Chair (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Brittany Bury, Committee Secretary
Trevor Graff, Legislative Branch
Taylor Eggebrecht, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 673, 3/25/2021; HB 710, 3/29/2021
Executive Action: HB 673; HB 710; HB 657; HB 606

15:34:43 Chair Skees
 15:36:06 Vice Chair Hayman
 15:36:12 Chair Skees
 15:36:54 Trevor Graff, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 15:37:00 Chair Skees

HEARING ON HB 710

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:37:43 Rep. Andrea Olsen (D), HD 100, opened the hearing on HB 710, Enact online personal information protection act.

15:40:17 Chair Skees

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

15:41:28 Jessie Luther, Consumer Data Industry Association (CDIA)
 15:43:59 Shawn Slanger, America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)
 15:44:41 Todd Ohair, Montana Chamber of Commerce (MCC)
 15:45:44 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)
 15:46:47 Bruce Spencer, National Association of Mutual Insurance Company (NAMIC);
 Montana Society Association of Executives (MSAE)
 15:49:43 Kary Hegreberg, Montana Bankers Association (MBA)

EXHIBIT(feh63a01)

15:52:34 Greg Vanhorsen, State Farm Insurance Company (SFIC)
 15:53:22 Aimee Grmoljez, American Property Insurance
 15:54:10 Pat Noonan, Internet Association (IA)

EXHIBIT(feh63a02)

15:56:05 John Metropoulous, Farmer's Insurance Group

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:57:12 Rep. Duram
 15:57:45 Bruce Spencer
 15:58:04 Vice Chair Zolnikov
 15:58:21 Aimee Grmoljez, American Property Insurance
 15:59:40 Rep. Kortum
 16:02:04 Rep. Olsen
 16:03:17 Rep. Binkley
 16:04:25 Rep. Olsen
 16:06:44 Rep. Sullivan
 16:07:14 Rep. Olsen
 16:08:38 Rep. Duram
 16:09:32 Trevor Graff, LSD
 16:09:41 Chair Skees
 16:09:56 Rep. Phalen

16:11:15 Rep. Olsen

Closing by Sponsor:

16:13:26 Rep. Olsen

16:16:30 Chair Skees

HEARING ON HB 673

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

16:16:42 Rep. Katie Sullivan (D), HD 89, opened the hearing on HB 673, Providing for the Montana broadband coordinator.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

16:17:49 Rep. Sullivan

16:17:58 Chair Skees

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 673

16:18:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 673 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 10-2 by voice vote with Rep. Hayman and Rep. Olsen voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 710

16:19:12 **Motion:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 710 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

16:19:18 Chair Skees

16:19:21 Rep. Sullivan

16:19:33 Rep. Phalen

16:19:51 Rep. Kortum

16:20:39 Rep. Duram

16:20:51 Trevor Graff, LSD

16:21:57 Rep. Duram

16:22:02 Chair Skees

16:22:32 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Phalen made a substitute motion that **HB 710 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion failed 6-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Binkley, Rep. Brewster, Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier, Rep. Phalen and Rep. Skees voting aye.

16:23:02 Chair Skees

16:23:37 Rep. Duram
 16:24:22 Vice Chair Zolnikov
 16:25:18 Rep. Brewster
 16:25:59 Chair Skees
 16:26:06 Rep. Olsen
 16:26:43 Chair Skees

16:28:18 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 710 DO PASS**. Motion failed 5-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Zolnikov voting aye.

16:28:58 Without objection, Rep. Skees moved that HB 710 be tabled.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 657

16:29:44 Chair Skees
 16:29:57 Trevor Graff, LSD

16:30:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kortum moved that **HB 657 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXHIBIT(feh63a03)

16:31:30 Chair Skees

16:31:54 **Motion:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 657 DO PASS AS AMENDED**.

Discussion:

16:32:03 Rep. Sullivan
 16:32:51 Rep. Duram
 16:33:14 Rep. Sullivan
 16:33:18 Trevor Graff, LSD
 16:33:58 Chair Skees
 16:34:04 Rep. Duram
 16:34:15 Chair Skees
 16:34:39 Rep. Duram
 16:34:58 Rep. Sullivan
 16:35:22 Rep. Brewster
 16:36:33 Chair Skees
 16:37:31 Vice Chair Hayman
 16:38:18 Chair Skees
 16:38:44 Trevor Graff, LSD
 16:38:59 Vice Chair Hayman
 16:39:26 Rep. Brewster
 16:39:49 Rep. Duram
 16:40:14 Rep. Olsen
 16:40:47 Rep. Sullivan
 16:41:23 Chair Skees

16:42:20 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-8 by voice vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting aye.

16:43:02 Without objection, Rep. Skees moved that HB 657 be tabled.

16:43:12 Chair Skees
16:45:04 Trevor Graff, LSD
16:45:15 Chair Skees
16:45:46 Vice Chair Hayman
16:45:54 Chair Skees
16:46:20 Trevor Graff, LSD
16:47:42 Rep. Brewster
16:49:28 Rep. Custer
16:50:17 Rep. Kortum
16:50:42 Trevor Graff, LSD
16:50:55 Rep. Olsen
16:55:15 Chair Skees
16:56:14 Vice Chair Hayman
16:56:48 Chair Skees

16:57:09 **Motion:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 606 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

Discussion:

16:57:25 Chair Skees

16:57:44 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Brewster, Rep. Custer, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum and Rep. Sullivan voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 606

16:58:54 **Motion:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 606 DO PASS.**

16:59:06 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 606 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 9-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum and Rep. Sullivan voting no.

EXHIBIT(feh63a04)

17:00:08 **Motion:** Rep. Zolnikov moved that **HB 606 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

17:00:14 Chair Skees
17:00:25 Rep. Duram
17:01:44 Chair Skees

17:01:53 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Brewster, Rep. Custer, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum and Rep. Sullivan voting no.

17:02:34 Chair Skees
17:02:48 Trevor Graff, LSD
17:03:06 Chair Skees

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 17:03:48

Brittany Bury, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([feh63aad.pdf](#))