

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Derek Skees, on April 12, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 472 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Denise Hayman, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Katie Zolnikov, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Michele Binkley (R)
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)
Rep. Andrea Olsen (D)
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Derek Skees, Chair (R)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D)

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:

Executive Action: HR 4; SB 59; SB 81; SB 84; SB 134; SB 147; SB 183; SB 213;
SB 237

15:02:37 Vice Chair Zolnikov assumed the chair.
15:04:26 Vice Chair Hayman

15:04:30 Brief Recess
15:15:00 Reconvened with Rep. Sullivan present.

15:15:10 Vice Chair Zolnikov

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 4

15:15:26 **Motion:** Rep. Sullivan moved that **HR 4 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:15:42 Rep. Olsen
15:16:44 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:16:50 Rep. Brewster

15:17:04 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Duram, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

15:18:03 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Duram made a substitute motion that **HR 4 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 59

15:18:23 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 59 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:18:32 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:18:47 **Vote:** Motion failed 4-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voted by proxy.

15:19:37 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Duram made a substitute motion that **SB 59 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 81

15:19:56 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 81 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:20:02 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:20:13 Vice Chair Hayman
15:20:24 Trevor Graff, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:20:53 Rep. Olsen

15:21:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Brewster will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 84

15:22:55 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 84 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:23:06 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Phalen made a substitute motion that **SB 84 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 134

15:24:01 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 134 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:24:09 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:24:23 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Zolnikov will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 147

15:25:40 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 147 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:25:45 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:25:56 Rep. Sullivan

15:26:12 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:26:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Duram will carry the bill.

15:27:06 Rep. Duram

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 183

15:27:34 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 183 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:27:52 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Duram made a substitute motion that **SB 183 BE AMENDED.**

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Discussion:

15:28:16 Trevor Graff, LSD

15:28:57 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:29:04 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

15:29:29 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 183 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

15:29:42 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:29:47 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Olsen made a substitute motion that **SB 183 BE AMENDED.**

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Discussion:

15:30:54 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:31:07 Rep. Olsen

15:31:16 Trevor Graff, LSD

15:32:16 Rep. Olsen

15:32:39 Trevor Graff, LSD

15:32:58 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:33:05 Rep. Olsen

15:33:53 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:33:57 **Vote:** Motion failed 5-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Duram, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting aye. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy.

15:34:43 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:34:52 Rep. Olsen

15:35:45 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Custer, Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Brewster will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 213

15:37:01 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 213 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:37:06 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:37:11 Rep. Olsen

15:37:24 Vice Chair Hayman

15:37:31 Trevor Graff, LSD

15:38:15 Rep. Olsen

15:38:51 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:38:59 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Phalen voted by proxy. Rep. Skees will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 237

15:39:59 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 237 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:40:04 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:40:14 Vice Chair Hayman
15:40:26 Trevor Graff, LSD
15:40:45 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:40:51 Vice Chair Hayman
15:41:34 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:42:16 Trevor Graff, LSD
15:42:40 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:43:17 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kortum, Rep. Olsen, Rep. Sullivan and Rep. Zolnikov voting no. Rep. Custer, Rep. Kassmier and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Duram will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 254

15:44:28 **Motion:** Rep. Duram moved that **SB 254 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:44:40 Vice Chair Zolnikov
15:45:22 Rep. Kassmier joined the meeting.
15:45:32 Rep. Duram
15:46:03 Trevor Graff, LSD
15:46:15 Vice Chair Zolnikov

15:46:23 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Hayman, Rep. Kassmier, Rep. Olsen and Rep. Sullivan voting no. Rep. Custer and Rep. Skees voted by proxy. Rep. Zolnikov will carry the bill.

15:47:16 Vice Chair Zolnikov

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:48:29

Brittany Bury, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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