

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Llew Jones, on April 23, 2021 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Llew Jones, Chair (R)  
Rep. Mary Caferro, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Brad Tschida, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)  
Rep. David Bedey (R)  
Rep. John Fuller (R)  
Rep. Frank Garner (R)  
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)  
Rep. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Connie Keogh (D)  
Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D)  
Rep. Terry Moore (R)  
Rep. Fiona Nave (R)  
Rep. Joe Read (R)  
Rep. Vince Ricci (R)  
Rep. Jerry Schillinger (R)  
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)  
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Excused:**

Rep. Matt Regier, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)  
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)  
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)  
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:**

Kathy Sangray, Committee Secretary  
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch  
Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Anthony Flores Nuno, 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:**

Executive Action on: SB 297

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 297**

15:00:21 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **SB 297 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:00:37 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **SB 297 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(aph78a01)**

**Discussion:**

15:00:50 Julie Johnson, Legislative Services Division  
15:01:27 Rep. Mercer joined the meeting  
15:01:37 Rep. Hamilton joined the meeting  
15:04:00 Chair Jones  
15:04:50 Director Scott Osterman, Department of Commerce (COM)  
15:08:37 Chair Jones

**EXHIBIT(aph78a02)**

15:09:36 Vice Chair Caferro  
15:09:56 Chair Jones  
15:11:10 Director Osterman, COM  
15:13:12 Rep. Patelis joined the meeting  
15:13:36 Mark Baker, Charter Communication; AT&T  
15:16:58 Director Osterman, COM  
15:18:17 Chair Jones  
15:18:33 Rep. Bedey  
15:19:18 Director Osterman, COM  
15:25:05 Chair Jones  
15:25:33 Director Osterman, COM  
15:27:27 Vice Chair Caferro  
15:28:37 Mark Baker, Charter Communication; AT&T  
15:31:27 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter  
15:32:13 Director Osterman, COM  
15:37:35 Chair Jones  
15:39:21 Director Osterman, COM  
15:40:55 Rep. Nave  
15:43:05 Director Osterman, COM  
15:52:59 Rep. Hamilton  
15:53:08 Rep. Mercer  
15:53:56 Director Osterman, COM  
15:55:47 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter  
15:56:39 Director Osterman, COM  
15:56:42 Chair Jones  
15:57:51 Director Osterman, COM  
16:00:27 Chair Jones  
16:01:42 Director Osterman, COM  
16:04:29 Chair Jones  
16:06:51 Rep. Nave  
16:07:14 Chair Jones  
16:07:37 Rep. Bedey  
16:08:38 Chair Jones  
16:09:31 Rep. Bedey

16:09:43 Director Osterman, COM  
16:10:31 Julie Johnson, LSD  
16:11:18 Chair Jones  
16:11:30 Rep. Windy Boy  
16:14:45 Julie Johnson  
16:13:15 Chair Jones  
16:13:18 Rep. Hamilton  
16:14:54 Rep. Bedey  
16:17:20 Chair Jones  
16:18:09 Rep. Bedey  
16:18:50 Chair Jones  
16:19:07 Director Osterman, COM  
16:20:13 Rep. Bedey  
16:20:22 Rep. Kerr-Carpenter  
16:20:54 Chair Jones

16:23:18 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund **WITHDREW MOTION TO AMEND SB 297.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 16:23:33

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Kathy Sangray, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([aph78aad.pdf](#))