

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on January 5, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present in the Committee Room:**

Sen. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Sen. Jason D. Small, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Sen. Terry Gauthier (R)  
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)  
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)  
Sen. Brad Molnar (R)  
Sen. Keith Regier (R)  
Sen. Mark Sweeney (D)  
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

**Members Present via Zoom Video Conference:**

Sen. Mary McNally, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)  
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lauren de Paepe, Committee Secretary  
Trevor Graff, 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:** Organizational Meeting.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS:**

15:03:22 Chair Ankney

**EXHIBIT(ens02a01)**

15:03:34 Lauren de Paepe, committee secretary

15:04:42 Sen. Kary entered the meeting.

15:05:21 Chair Ankney

15:05:26 Sen. McNally

15:05:50 Sen. Molnar

15:05:22 Chair Ankney

15:06:34 Sen. McNally

15:07:02 Chair Ankney

15:07:13 Ms. de Paepe

15:10:14 Chair Ankney asked the committee members to state their preference on print or email distribution of witness testimony.

**DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE:**

15:10:45 Chair Ankney

15:11:02 Ms. de Paepe

15:11:03 Chair Ankney

15:13:18 Sen. Tempel

15:13:20 Chair Ankney

15:17:14 Sen. McNally

15:17:50 Trevor Graff, Legislative Services Division

15:18:27 Sen. McNally

15:18:47 Mr. Graff

15:19:12 Chair Ankney

15:19:32 Sen. Pope

15:20:14 Sen. McNally

15:20:36 Chair Ankney

15:21:36 Sen. Kary

15:21:43 Mr. Graff

15:22:10 Sen. McNally

15:22:22 Chair Ankney

15:23:17 Sen. Regier

15:23:37 Chair Ankney

15:24:37 **Motion:** Sen. Regier moved that **Section B, Number 5 of the Committee Rules of Procedure Draft BE AMENDED** to add "at the discretion of the Presiding Officer."

**Discussion:**

15:25:02 Sen. Kary

15:25:15 Chair Ankney

15:25:37 Sen. McNally

15:26:36 Sen. Regier

15:26:59 Chair Ankney

15:27:03 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE:**

15:27:24 Chair Ankney  
 15:27:34 Mr. Graff  
 15:28:37 Sen. Morigeau  
 15:29:29 Chair Ankney  
 15:30:31 Sen. Kary  
 15:30:46 Sen. Regier  
 15:31:15 Sen. Pope  
 15:32:14 Chair Ankney  
 15:32:29 Mr. Graff  
 15:33:01 Sen. McNally  
 15:34:35 Chair Ankney  
 15:36:17 Sen. Regier  
 15:37:07 Sen. Small  
 15:37:35 Sen. Lynch  
 15:37:40 Sen. Small  
 15:38:30 Sen. Pope  
 15:39:06 Mr. Graff  
 15:40:42 Sen. Regier  
 15:42:07 Sen. Kary  
 15:43:12 Chair Ankney  
 15:45:15 Sen. Morigeau  
 15:46:34 Sen. McNally  
 15:47:17 Chair Ankney  
 15:47:42 Sen. Regier  
 15:48:10 Mr. Graff  
 15:48:27 Chair Ankney  
 15:49:41 Mr. Graff

15:50:11 **Motion:** Sen. McNally moved that **Section B of the Committee Rules of Procedure Draft BE AMENDED to add Section 8 (a).**

**Discussion:**

15:51:15 Sen. Small  
 15:51:30 Sen. McNally  
 15:51:55 Mr. Graff  
 15:52:30 Sen. Molnar  
 15:52:53 Mr. Graff  
 15:53:23 Chair Ankney

15:53:42 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. McNally made a substitute motion that **Section B of Rules of Procedure Draft BE AMENDED to add Section 8 (a) and (b).**

**Discussion:**

15:53:58 Sen. Small  
 15:54:05 Mr. Graff  
 15:54:53 Chair Ankney

15:55:03 **Vote:** Substitute motion carried 12-1 by voice vote with Sen. Kary voting no.

15:55:19 Sen. McNally

15:55:32 Chair Ankney

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:56 PM

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Lauren de Paepe, Secretary

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**Additional Documents:**

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**EXHIBIT**([ens02aad.pdf](#))