

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Jeffrey W. Welborn, on March 24, 2021 at 2:50 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair (R)
Sen. Jason D. Small, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. Bob Brown (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Tom Jacobson (D)
Sen. Mike Lang (R)
Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)

Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Pat Flowers, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lauren de Paepe, Committee Secretary
Jason Mohr, 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:

Executive Action on: HB 498 - Be Concurred in as Amended; HB 554 - Be Concurred in as Amended

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 498

14:51:34 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 498 BE CONCURRED IN.**

14:51:57 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 498 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(nas58a01)

Discussion:

14:52:21 Sen. Brown

14:52:29 Chair Welborn

14:52:33 Jason Mohr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

14:54:03 Sen. Lang entered the meeting.

14:54:11 Sen. Flowers

14:54:27 Mr. Mohr, LSD

14:55:12 Sen. Flowers

14:56:13 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Lynch and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Small voted by proxy.

14:57:02 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 498 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

14:57:11 Sen. Pomnichowski

14:57:48 Sen. Lynch left the meeting.

14:58:18 Mr. Mohr

14:58:25 Sen. Lang left the meeting.

14:59:42 Sen. Pomnichowski

14:59:56 Sen. Ankney left the meeting.

15:01:36 Sen. Small entered the meeting.

15:02:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Lynch and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Ankney, Sen. Lang and Sen. Lynch voted by proxy. Sen. Gillespie will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 554

15:03:58 **Motion:** Sen. Small moved that **HB 554 BE CONCURRED IN.**

15:04:20 **Motion:** Sen. Small moved that **HB 554 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(nas58a02)

Discussion:

15:04:43 Jason Mohr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:05:19 Sen. Cohenour

15:06:05 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Lynch and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Ankney, Sen. Lang and Sen. Lynch voted by proxy.

15:06:48 **Motion:** Sen. Small moved that **HB 554 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

15:07:04 Sen. Flowers

15:08:01 Sen. Gillespie

15:09:04 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:11:03 Sen. Cohenour left the meeting.

15:11:04 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson, Sen. Lynch and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Ankney, Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Lang and Sen. Lynch voted by proxy. Sen. Lang will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:12 PM

Lauren de Paepe, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nas58aad.pdf](#))