

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on April 8, 2021 at 2:30 P.M., in Room 317 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Sen. Mary McNally, Vice Chair (D)  
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. Shane A. Morigeau (D)  
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)  
Sen. Keith Regier (R)  
Sen. Mark Sweeney (D)  
Sen. Russel (Russ) Tempel (R)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Brad Molnar (R)

**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:**

Executive Action: HB 475 - Be Concurred in

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 475**

14:33:11 **Motion:** Sen. Small moved that **HB 475 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

14:33:27 Sen. Pope  
 14:34:45 Sen. McNally  
 14:35:13 Chair Ankney  
 14:35:36 Sen. McNally

14:35:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. McNally moved that **HB 475 BE AMENDED CONCEPTUALLY.** Motion failed 6-6 by roll call vote with Sen. Lynch, Sen. McNally, Sen. Morigeau, Sen. Pope, Sen. Sweeney and Sen. Tempel voting aye. Sen. Molnar was excused.

**Discussion:**

14:37:33 Sen. Cuffe  
 14:37:20 Lauren de Paepe, committee secretary  
 14L37:35 Sen. Cuffe  
 14:37:41 Chair Ankney  
 14:37:45 Ms. de Paepe, secretary

14:38:40 Sen. McNally  
 14:38:50 Sen. Cuffe

14:39:49 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-5 by roll call vote with Sen. Lynch, Sen. McNally, Sen. Morigeau, Sen. Pope and Sen. Sweeney voting no. Sen. Molnar was excused. Sen. Small will carry the bill.

**Committee Business:**

14:40:41 Sen. Cuffe  
 14:40:50 Chair Ankney  
 14:40:57 Sen. Kary  
 14:41:02 Sen. Cuffe  
 14:41:04 Chair Ankney  
 14:42:57 Sen. Morigeau  
 14:43:06 Sen. Sweeney  
 14:43:31 Sen. Regier  
 14:43:49 Chair Ankney  
 14:44:15 Ms. de Paepe

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 2:44 PM

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Lauren de Paepe, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT**([ens67aad.pdf](#))