

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### 68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON (H) ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS

**Call to Order:** Chair Katie Zolnikov-R, on January 9, 2023 at 3:00 PM, in 472

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:** Rep. Katie Zolnikov, Chair (R)  
Rep. Steven Galloway, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Katie Sullivan, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Laurie Bishop (D)  
Rep. Larry Brewster (R)  
Rep. Paul Fielder (R)  
Rep. Paul Green (R)  
Rep. Derek Harvey (D)  
Rep. Joshua Kassmier (R)  
Rep. Greg Kmetz (R)  
Rep. Casey Knudsen (R)  
Rep. Kelly Kortum (D)  
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)

**Staff Present:** Lucinda Blair, Secretary  
Trevor Graff, Research Analyst

**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:**

Hearing & Date Posted:

HB 52 01/06/2023

Executive Action:

HB 52 DO PASS

**Committee Discussion:**

15:01:38 Chair Katie Zolnikov  
15:02:50 James Brown, President, Public Service Commission (PSC)  
15:08:24 Rep. Paul Fielder  
15:09:16 Vice Chair Steven Galloway assumes the chair.

**HEARING ON HB 52 - Revising common carrier regulation**

**Opening Statement:**

15:09:51 Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R), HD 45, opened the hearing on HB 52, Revising common carrier regulation.

**Proponent Testimony:**

15:15:53 James Brown, Public Service Commission (PSC)

**Opponent Testimony:**

None

**Informational Witness Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee:**

None

**Closing Statement:**

15:21:00 Rep. Katie Zolnikov (R), HD 45, closed the hearing on HB 52.

15:22:10 Chair Katie Zolnikov resumes the chair.

15:22:40 **Recessed**

15:31:31 **Reconvened**

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 52 - Revising common carrier regulation**

15:31:45 **Motion:** Vice Chair Steven Galloway moved that **HB 52 DO PASS.**

**Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 15:33:15

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Lucinda Blair, Secretary

Additional Documents: EXHIBIT(230109FEH)

**House**  
**Roll Call**

**(H) Energy, Technology and Federal Relations**

DATE: 01/09/2023

TIME: 3:00 PM

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT/EXCUSED</u>
Bishop, Laurie	X	
Brewster, Larry	X	
Fielder, Paul	X	
Galloway, Steven	X	
Green, Paul	X	
Harvey, Derek	X	
Kassmier, Joshua	X	
Kmetz, Greg	X	
Knudsen, Casey	X	
Kortum, Kelly	X	
Phalen, Bob	X	
Sullivan, Katie	X	
Zolnikov, Katie	X	



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To the Speaker,

We, your committee on **(H) Energy, Technology and Federal Relations** recommend that **House Bill 52** (first reading copy – white) **Do Pass**.

Signed:   
*Rep. Katie Zolnikov-R, Chair*

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**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 13, No 0**

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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON (H) ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL  
RELATIONS**

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**VOTE TABULATION - HB 52**

Rep. Bishop made a Motion that HB 52 Do Pass  
YEAS – 13 NAYS - 0

Y	Bishop, Laurie
Y	Brewster, Larry
Y	Fielder, Paul
Y	Galloway, Steven
Y	Green, Paul
Y	Harvey, Derek
Y	Kassmier, Joshua
Y	Kmetz, Greg
Y	Knudsen, Casey
Y	Kortum, Kelly
Y	Phalen, Bob
Y	Sullivan, Katie
Y	Zolnikov, Katie



