

MINUTES
MONTANA SENATE
68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE ON (S) NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Sen. Jeffrey Welborn-R, on January 16, 2023 at 2:41 PM, in 303

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Sen. Jeffrey Welborn, Chair (R)
Sen. Walt Sales, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Bob Brown (R)
Sen. Willis Curdy (D)
Sen. Pat Flowers (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Mike Lang (R)
Sen. Jason Small (R)
Sen. Barry Usher (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Ryan Lynch (D)
Sen. Shane Morigeau (D)

Staff Present: Jason Mohr, Research Analyst
Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

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:

Executive Action:

SB 32 DO PASS

14:43:41 PNWER Presentation

Committee Discussion:

14:48:00 Matt Morrison, Executive Director, Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER)

14:48:19 Senator Chuck Winder, Idaho

14:51:58 Sen. Barry Usher

14:52:36 Matt Morrison, PNWER

14:58:49 Sen. Shane Morigeau joined the meeting.

15:00:47 Sen. Bruce Gillespie

15:01:12 Matt Morrison, PNWER

15:02:02 Sen. Willis Curdy

15:02:30 Matt Morrison, PNWER

15:03:40 Sen. Willis Curdy

Committee Discussion:

15:06:01 Tom Wolf, Aquatic Invasive Species of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

15:06:30 Sen. Barry Usher

15:08:57 Sen. Willis Curdy

15:10:22 Sen. Mike Lang

15:11:16 Sen. Shane Morigeau

15:12:15 Tom Wolf, FWP

15:13:25 Sen. Pat Flowers

15:14:33 Tom Wolf, FWP

15:16:27 Sen. Jeffrey Welborn

15:17:59 Matt Morrison, Aquatic Invasive Species, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

15:18:23 Nate Weigel, Pacific Northwest Energy Region

15:20:54 Sen. Chuck Winder - R Idaho

15:22:19 Sen. Jeffrey Welborn

15:07:15 Tom Wolf, FWP

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 32 - Revising pipeline safety regulation penalties

15:23:13 **Motion:** Sen. Walt Sales moved that **SB 32 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

15:23:51 Sen. Jeffrey Welborn

14:43:41 PNWER Presentation

14:47:18

15:05:42

15:23:13 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:25:53

Jacelyn Sterling, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230116NASaad\)](#)

