



Testimony  
On Senate Bill 235

Before the Senate Energy and Telecommunications Committee  
By Doug Hardy on behalf of the Montana Electric Cooperatives Association  
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Mr. Chairman, Members of the committee, I am Doug Hardy General Manager of Park Electric Cooperative based in Livingston, Montana testifying on behalf of the Montana Electric Cooperatives' Association. We rise in support of SB 235. Much of the electricity Montana Electric Cooperatives receive crosses NorthWestern transmission lines. It is important to us that upgrades to maintain adequate capacity and reliability be done promptly.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify before your committee and I will be available to respond to any questions you may have.