

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Alan Olson, on January 25, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317-C
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Alan Olson, Chair (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Ron Erickson (D)
Sen. Bob Lake (R)
Sen. Lynda Moss (D)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch
Liane Taylor, Committee 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:

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 93; SB 96; SB 109; SJ 4, SJ 5

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 93

00:01:44 **Motion:** Sen. Erickson moved that **SB 93 DO PASS.**

EXHIBIT(ens19a01)

00:05:03 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Erickson moved that **SB 93 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote with Sens. Van Dyk and Essmann voting by proxy.

00:05:39 **Motion:** Sen. Erickson moved that **SB 93 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:05:50 Sen. Lake

00:06:57 Sen. Augare

00:07:38 Sen. Van Dyk joined the committee.

00:08:32 Sen. Tropila

00:09:24 Sen. Priest

00:10:20 Sen. Moss

00:11:38 Sen. Erickson

00:12:48 **Vote:** Motion fails by roll call vote 5-7 with Sens. Augare, Erickson, Moss, Tropila and Van Dyk voting aye and Sen. Essmann voting by proxy.

00:12:51 Sen. Essmann joined the committee.

00:13:02 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Lake moved that the vote be reversed and **SB 93 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 10-2 by voice vote with Sens. Moss and Van Dyk voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 96

00:15:35 **Motion:** Sen. Moss moved the **SB 96 DO PASS.**

00:15:41 **Motion:** Sen. Moss moved that **SB 96 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(ens19a02)

00:15:52 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD

00:16:23 Chairman Olson left the committee.

00:18:07 **Vote:** Motion to amend carried unanimously by voice vote with Sen. Olson voting by proxy.

00:18:32 **Motion:** Sen. Moss moved that **SB96 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:18:43 Sen. Erickson

00:19:50 Sen. Essmann
 00:21:47 Sen. Lake
 00:21:55 Sen. Augare
 00:22:54 Sen. Moss
 00:24:32 Sen. Jackson
 00:24:46 Sonja Nowakowski

00:25:21 **Vote:** Roll call vote resulted in a 6-6 tie with Sens. Erickson, Essmann, Moss, Priest, Tropila and Van Dyk voting aye and Chairman Olson voting by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 109

00:25:40 Sen. Jackson
 00:25:44 Sen. Vincent moved that **SB 109 DO PASS.**
EXHIBIT(ens19a03)
 00:26:11 Sonja Nowakowski

00:26:14 Chairman Olson rejoined the committee.

Discussion:

00:27:30 Sen. Erickson
 00:28:07 Sonja Nowakowski
 00:29:06 Sen. Erickson
 00:29:30 Sonja Nowakowski
 00:29:38 Chairman Olson
 00:29:45 Sen. Erickson
 00:29:57 Chairman Olson

00:30:32 **Motion/Vote:** Chairman Olson moved that **SB 109 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried by voice vote 9-3 with Sens. Van Dyk, Moss and Tropila voting no.

00:30:40 **Motion:** Chairman Olson moved that **SB 109 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:30:44 Sen. Van Dyk
 00:32:33 Chairman Olson
 00:34:00 Sen. Erickson
 00:34:34 Sonja Nowakowski
 00:35:38 Sen. Lake
 00:36:22 Sen. Tropila
 00:36:54 Sen. Vincent

00:38:46 **Vote:** Motion carried by roll call vote 7- 5 with Sens. Augare, Erickson, Moss, Tropila, Van Dyk voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 4

- 00:40:18 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SJ 4 DO PASS.**
- 00:40:49 **Motion:** Chairman Olson moved that **SJ 4 BE AMENDED.**
- 00:40:51 Chairman Olson
- EXHIBIT(ens19a04)**
- 00:41:05 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
- 00:41:31 **Vote:** Motion carried 10-2 by voice vote with Sens. Erickson and Tropila voting no.
- 00:41:45 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SJ 4 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion failed by roll call vote 5-7 with Sens. Jackson, Essmann, Lake, Priest, and Walker voting aye.
- 00:43:16 **Motion/Vote:** Chairman Olson moved that the vote be reversed and that **SJ 4 BE TABLED.** Motion passed 11-1 by voice vote with Sen. Essmann voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJ 5

- 00:43:29 **Motion:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SJ 5 DO PASS.**
- 00:43:37 **Motion:** Chairman Olson moved that **SJ 5 BE AMENDED.**
- EXHIBIT(ens19a05)**
- 00:44:05 Sonja Nowakowski, LSD
- 00:44:17 **Vote:** Motion to amend carried 10-2 by voice vote with Sens. Erickson and Tropila voting no.
- 00:45:32 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jackson moved that **SJ 5 DO PASS AS AMENDED.** Motion was tied 6-6 with Sens. Jackson, Essmann, Priest, Vincent, Walker and Olson voting yes.
- 00:45:53 Sen. Olson

PRESENTATION by Pacific Northwest Economic Region

- 00:46:49 Mike Schaufler, State Representative from District 48 in Oregon.
- EXHIBIT(ens19a06)**
- 00:48:10 Duane Ankney, Montana State Representative
- 00:49:20 Matt Morrison, Executive Director, Pacific NorthWest Economic Region
- 00:56:58 Chairman Olson
- 00:57:07 Michael Chisholm, Legislator from Saskatchewan
- 00:57:59 Lyle Stewart, Legislator from Saskatchewan
- 00:59:25 David Kettles, Director, US Relations, Government of Alberta
- 01:01:47 Chairman Olson
- 01:02:18 David Kettles

01:08:23 Michael Chisholm
01:08:59 Sen. Walker
01:09:53 Michael Chisholm
01:10:02 Sen. Walker
01:10:10 Michael Chisholm
01:10:18 Lyle Stewart

01:12:17 **Committee Business**

01:12:33 **Motion:** Sen. Olson moved that a Committee Bill be introduced.

01:12:51 Tom Richmond, Board of Oil and Gas Conservation, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

Discussion:

01:14:31 Sen. Erickson
01:14:57 Sen. Lake
01:15:01 Sen. Vincent
01:15:17 Tom Richmond, DNRC
01:16:29 Sen. Vincent
01:16:37 Tom Richmond
01:16:55 Sen. Erickson
01:17:24 Tom Richmond

01:18:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:20:31 Sen. Priest

ADJOURNMENT

01:20:50 Adjournment:

Liane Taylor, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([ens19aad.pdf](#))