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MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Alan Olson, on March 5, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 317 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Alan Olson, Chair (R)
Sen. Verdell Jackson, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Ron Arthun (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. Jeff Essmann (R)
Sen. Jason Priest (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Emge, Committee Secretary
Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch

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: SB 243, 2/26/2013

HEARING ON SB 243

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:25:18 Sen. Scott Boulanger (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 243, Licensure for geothermal well constructors.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:06 Ronda Wiggers, representing Montana Water Well Drillers Association (MWWDA)

EXHIBIT(ens47a01)

00:33:23 Curt Sampson, Montana Water Well Drillers Association (MWWDA)

00:39:44 Dave Potts, Montana Water Well Drillers Association (MWWDA)

00:43:22 John Forkan, Montana State Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters (MSAPP)

00:44:08 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Realtors (MAR)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:44:54 Kevin Nelson, representing himself

00:45:41 Sen. Walker and Sen. Vincent entered the hearing

Informational Testimony:

00:50:24 Tim Davis, Water Resources Division Administer, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

EXHIBIT(ens47a02)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:51:27 Sen. Jackson

00:52:03 Mr. Davis, DNRC

00:52:45 Art Robinson, Program Manager, Montana Board of Water Well Contractors (MBWWC)

00:53:50 Sen. Jackson

00:55:11 Mr. Robinson, MBWWC

00:55:57 Sen. Tropila

00:56:36 Mr. Davis

00:57:17 Chairman Olson

01:01:19 Mr. Nelson, representing himself

01:02:07 Chairman Olson

01:04:29 Mr. Sampson, MWWDA

01:05:37 Sen. Tropila

01:06:11 Sen. Boulanger

Closing by Sponsor:

01:07:31 Sen. Boulanger

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 p.m.

Julie Emge, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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