

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

March 16, 1987

An Executive Session of the Senate Natural Resources Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m., March 16, 1987, by Chairman Thomas Keating in Room 405, State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members were present with the exceptions of Sens. Weeding and Severson who were excused.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL 397: Passage of HB 397 would increase the kilovolt threshold for transmission lines under the Major Facility Siting Act.

Sen. Walker moved that the amendements that were presented to the committee by Rep. Spaeth, sponsor of SB 397, on March 11 be ADOPTED. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Sen. Lynch moved that HB 397 AS AMENDED BE CONCURRED IN.

Sen. Halligan explained for the record that the large landowners would be affected by HB 397; and once the utility company would obtain 75% approval, a small landowner could be right in the middle with little or no input. Before the vote was taken, Sen. Halligan asked the committee to question in their own minds whether they believed that Montana Power Company is a good corporate citizen and would deal with all the landowners "up front."

Motion CARRIED unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE BILL 645: Passage of HB 645 would clarify impact plan section of the Hard-Rock Mining Impact Act. Sen. Lynch moved that HB 645 BE CONCURRED IN. A Roll Call Vote was taken. There were six who voted "yes," and four who voted "no." Sens. Weeding and Severson were allowed to enter their vote in writing subsequent to the meeting. Sen. Weeding voted "no." (Exhibit 1) Sen. Severson voted "yes." (Exhibit 2)

Motion CARRIED with a majority vote.

There being no further business before the committee, Sen. Keating adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.


THOMAS F. KEATING, Chairman

ROLL CALL VOTE

SENATE COMMITTEE NATURAL RESOURCES

Date 3-16-87 House Bill No. 645 Time 1:09

NAME	YES	NO
Sen. Tom Keating, Chairman	✓	
Sen. Cecil Weeding, Vice Chairman		
Sen. John Anderson	✓	
Sen. Mike Halligan		✓
Sen. Delwyn Gage	✓	
Sen. Lawrence Stimatz		✓
Sen. Larry Tveit	✓	
Sen. "J.D." Lynch	✓	
Sen. Sam Hofman	✓	
Sen. William Yellowtail		✓
Sen. Elmer Severson		
Sen. Mike Walker		✓

Nadine McCurdy
Secretary

Senator Tom Keating
Chairman

Motion: HB645 be concurred in.

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SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES

TO: Sen. Weeding

EXHIBIT NO. 1

FROM: Nadine McCurdy, Secretary
Natural Resources

DATE 3-16-87

BILL NO. HB 645

RE: HB 645

Attached is the roll call vote for HB 645. Please check below your vote.

MOTION: HOUSE BILL 645 BE CONCURRED IN.

YES _____

NO _____

SIGNATURE Carol Weeding

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SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES

TO: Sen. Severson

EXHIBIT NO. 2

FROM: Nadine McCurdy, Secretary
Natural Resources

DATE 3-16-87

BILL NO. HB 645

RE: HB 645

Attached is the roll call vote for HB645. Please check below your vote.

MOTION: HOUSE BILL 645 BE CONCURRED IN.

YES _____

NO _____

SIGNATURE Ann Severson

ROLL CALL

NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMITTEE

50th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1987

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Sen. Tom Keating, Chairman	✓		
Sen. Cecil Weeding, Vice Chairman			X
Sen. John Anderson	✓		
Sen. Mike Halligan	✓		
Sen. Delwyn Gage	✓		
Sen. Lawrence Stimatz	✓		
Sen. Larry Tveit	✓		
Sen. "J.D." Lynch	✓		
Sen. Sam Hofman	✓		
Sen. William Yellowtail	✓		
Sen. Elmer Severson			X
Sen. Mike Walker	✓		

Each day attach to minutes.

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on NATURAL RESOURCES

having had under consideration..... HOUSE BILL No. 397

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**INCREASES THE KILOVOLT THRESHOLD FOR TRANSMISSION LINES UNDER MFSA
SPAETH (JACOBSON)**

Respectfully report as follows: That..... HOUSE BILL No. 397

BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Page 4, line 14.

Following: "161"

Strike: "115"

Insert: "69"

2. Page 4, lines 19 through 25.

Following: line 18

Strike: lines 19 through 25 in their entirety

Insert: "(ii) does not include an electric transmission line with a design capacity of more than 69 kilovolts and up to and including 115 kilovolts for which the person planning to construct the line has obtained right-of-way agreements or options for a right-of-way from more than 75% of the owners who collectively own more than 75% of the property along the centerline;"

3. Page 6, line 17.

Following: "THE"

Strike: "APPLICANT"

Insert: "person planning to construct the transmission line"

AND AS AMENDED
BE CONCURRED IN

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Senator Thomas P. Keating, Chairman.

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on NATURAL RESOURCES

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CLARIFIES IMPACT PLAN SECTION OF HARD-ROCK MINING IMPACT ACT

BROWN (HAMMOND)

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE BILL No. 645

BE CONCURRED IN

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SENATOR THOMAS F. KEATING, Chairman.