

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
NATURAL RESOURCES
MONTANA STATE SENATE

January 29, 1979

The fourth meeting of the Natural Resources Committee was called to order by Senator George F. Roskie, Chairman, at 12:45 P.M., on the above date in Room 405 of the State Capitol Building.

ROLL CALL: Upon roll call, all members were present with the exception of Senators Dover, Brown, Lockrem, Story, and Thiessen. Senator Stan Stevens, Majority Leader of the Senate, sat in temporarily as a committee member. Senator Dover and Senator Thiessen arrived late. Senator Brown also arrived late and stayed only until a quorum was established. See attached visitors' register for the names of visitors present.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 120: Chairman Roskie introduced Representative Bill Hand, District 82, to the Committee and asked him to explain HB 120. Representative Hand gave a brief explanation of the change proposed by HB 120.

Chairman Roskie called for any other proponents. Mr. Horace Hand, Western Laboratories of Helena, spoke in favor of HB 120. Mr. Frank Dunkle, Montana Mining Association, also spoke in favor of HB 120.

Chairman Roskie then called for any opponents to HB 120 and, hearing none, opened the hearing to questions from the Committee. There were no questions.

Senator Brown arrived at this time.

DISPOSITION OF HB 120: Senator Lowe moved that HB 120 BE CONCURRED IN. The motion carried unanimously with those present. Senator Jergeson moved that HB 120 be put on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously with those present and HB 120 was placed on the Consent Calendar.

Senator Stevens left at this time as a quorum had been established.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 130: Chairman Roskie opened the hearing on HB 130 and called on Representative Jack Ramirez, District 64, to explain HB 130 to the Committee. Representative Ramirez gave a summary of HB 130 and explained its purpose and intent to the Committee.

Senator Dover arrived at this time and Senator Brown left but recorded a yes vote on HB 130 with the Committee Secretary before leaving.

Chairman Roskie called for any other proponents to HB 130. Mr. Don Allen, Executive Director of the Montana Petroleum Association, spoke in favor of HB 130 and stated that he felt it was necessary legislation.

Chairman Roskie called for any other proponents and, hearing none, called for any opponents. Hearing none, Chairman Roskie opened the hearing to questions from the Committee and a brief discussion ensued.

At this point Senator Thiessen arrived.

DISPOSITION OF HB 130: Senator Dover moved that HB 130 BE CONCURRED IN and Senator Lowe seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with those present.

Chairman Roskie asked Representative Ramirez if he thought there was any need for a statement of intent. Representative Ramirez responded by saying that he felt HB 130 probably should have a statement of intent, but that the Rules Committee had not yet set up a procedure for that. He also mentioned that the question did not come up when the House was considering the bill.

There was some discussion on whether or not a statement of intent was necessary. Senator Dover suggested a statement be put in the minutes expressing the Committee's intent with regards to HB 130, and it was agreed that a statement in the minutes might be sufficient. Senator Dover then moved that the minutes state that it is the intent of the Committee to not go beyond the minimum legal requirements of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978.

Senator Lowe suggested the Committee leave the question alone at this time. The Committee agreed and Senator Dover withdrew his motion.

Representative Ramirez reread the title of HB 130 and said he felt the title adequately stated the bill's intent.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.


SENATOR GEORGE F. ROSKIE, CHAIRMAN

ROLL CALL

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Natural Resources COMMITTEE

46th LEGISLATIVE SESSION - 1979

Each Day Attach to Minutes.

SENATE

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 29, 1979

MR. President

We, your committee on Natural Resources

having had under consideration House Bill No. 120

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 120 was unanimously passed and was unanimously placed on the Consent Calendar

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BE CONCURRED IN

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 29, 1979

MR. President.....

We, your committee on Natural Resources.....

having had under consideration House..... Bill No. 130.....

Respectfully report as follows: That House..... Bill No. 130.....

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SENATE Natural Resources COMMITTEE

BILL 120 & 130

VISITORS' REGISTER

DATE 1/29/79

Please note bill no.

NAME: GEORGE HAN DATE: 1/29/79

ADDRESS: 130 GREENWOOD DRIVE

PHONE: 442-3770

REPRESENTING WHOM? WESTERN LABORATORIES

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: HB/ 20

DO YOU: SUPPORT? Y AMEND? _____ OPPOSE? _____

COMMENTS: _____

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NAME: Frank Dunkle DATE: 1-29-79

ADDRESS: 2030 11th Ave

PHONE: 443-7297

REPRESENTING WHOM? Mr. Mining Assn.

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: HB 120

DO YOU: SUPPORT? X AMEND? _____ OPPOSE? _____

COMMENTS: State M.M.A. does support this legislation.

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NAME: Dan Allen DATE: 1/26/25

ADDRESS: 1802 - 117 Ave.

PHONE: 4402-7583

REPRESENTING WHOM? Montana Petroleum Co., Inc.

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: HB 130

DO YOU: SUPPORT? ✓ AMEND? _____ OPPOSE? _____

COMMENTS: _____

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