

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
NATURAL RESOURCES  
MONTANA STATE SENATE

February 23, 1979

The eighteenth meeting of the Natural Resources Committee was called to order by Senator George F. Roskie, Chairman, at 11:10 A.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 Brown and Lockrem.

Mr. Jim Lear, Staff Attorney from the Legislative Council, was also present.

DISPOSITION OF HB 192: Discussion occurred concerning why HB 192 had not been acted on at the time of hearing. Chairman Roskie pointed out that Senator Brown had requested time to find out if it was necessary to be so specific in making reference to the sections of the law. Jim Lear stated that to his knowledge Senator Brown had never done that, and that it was really an unnecessary concern because in future years there will be only one Code Commissioner bill to update everything.

Senator Lowe moved that HB 192 BE CONCURRED IN and Senator Etchart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with those present.

DISPOSITION OF HB 202: Senator Roskie summarized the bill for the Committee. There was some discussion on the amendment put in by the House. Senator Manley said he didn't want any amendments in the bill that would soften the effect of the bill. The Committee finally agreed that the original language was more vague than the amended language and decided to leave HB 202 as it was sent over from the House.

Senator Dover moved that HB 202 BE CONCURRED IN. The motion passed unanimously with those present.

DISPOSITION OF HB 253: Both Senator Dover and Senator Manley gave a little history about the situation that brought about the introduction of this bill.

Senator Etchart asked what the effect would be of the amendment proposed by Mr. Jim Mockler, Montana Coal Council, during the hearing on HB 253 on February 14. Chairman Roskie read the section of the law that Mr. Mockler had requested not be referred to in HB 253. The Committee agreed it was unnecessary language for this bill. Senator Etchart then moved that HB 253 be amended by striking all of line 17 on page 2 and "75-20-104 (7) and" on line 18, page 2. The motion passed unanimously with those present.

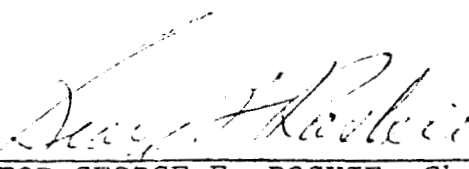
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Senator Manley then moved that HB 253 BE CONCURRED IN as Amended. Chairman Roskie called for a roll call vote on the motion. The motion carried (see attachment).

There was further discussion with those opposing HB 253 concerning their objections to it. Senator Dover said that the Department of Natural Resources does normally issue a time limit during which a facility must be constructed as part of a certificate but that the situation that brought about the introduction of this bill had had extenuating circumstances so no time limit had been issued. Therefore, he saw no reason for this bill.

Chairman Roskie then turned the discussion over to the bills scheduled for hearing next week and summarized them for the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

  
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SENATOR GEORGE F. ROSKIE, Chairman

ROLL CALL

Natural Resources COMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
ROSKIE, George F., Chairman	✓		
DOVER, Harold L., Vice-Chairman	✓		
BROWN, Steve		✓	
ETCHART, Mark	✓		
JERGESON, Greg	✓		
LOCKREM, Lloyd C., Jr.		✓	
LOWE, William R.	✓	<del>✓</del>	
MANLEY, John E.	✓		
STORY, Pete	✓		
THIESSEN, Cornie R.	✓		

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# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

February 23, 1979

MR. President

We, your committee on Natural Resources

having had under consideration House Bill No. 192

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 192

BE CONCURRED IN  
DO-PASS

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

February 23, 19 79

MR. President

We, your committee on Natural Resources

having had under consideration House Bill No. 202

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 202

BE CONCURRED IN  
DO PASS

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

February 23, 19 79

MR. President

We, your committee on Natural Resources

having had under consideration House Bill No. 253

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 253,  
third reading bill, be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, lines 17 and 18.  
Following: "For" on line 17  
Strike: "remainder of line 17 through "for" on line 18

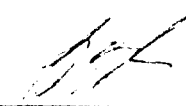
And, as so amended,  
BE CONCURRED IN  
DO-PASS

SENATE COMMITTEE NATURAL RESOURCES

Date February 23, 1979 House Bill No. 253 Time           

NAME	YES	NO
ROSKIE, George F., Chairman	✓	
DOVER, Harold L., Vice-Chairman		✓
BROWN, Steve		
ETCHART, Mark	✓	
JERGESON, Greg	✓	
LOCKREM, Lloyd C., Jr.		
LOWE, William R.	✓	
MANLEY, John E.	✓	
STORY, Pete		✓
THIESSEN, Cornie R.		✓

SHARON NASON  
Secretary

GEORGE F. ROSKIE   
Chairman

Motion: By Senator Manley that HB 253 BE CONCURRED IN as Amended.

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(include enough information on motion--put with yellow copy of committee report.)