

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JOSEPH (JOE) TROPILA**, on January 20, 2005 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)
Sen. Don Ryan (D)
Sen. Bill Tash (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Annie Glover, Committee Secretary
Chris Lohse, 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 178, 1/17/2005
Executive Action: SB 178

00:00:00

HEARING ON SB 178

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. GREGORY BARKUS (R), SD 4, opened the hearing on SB 178, Big game management--Landowner protection of private property.

EXHIBIT(fis15a01)

00:04:10

Proponents' Testimony:

Mr. Bill Gault, White Sulfur Springs Rancher

Mr. Larry Peterman, Chief of Field Operations, Fish Wildlife and Parks

EXHIBIT(fis15a02)

Mr. John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau

Mr. Robert Throssell, Montana Wildlife Federation

Ms. Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association

Mr. Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association

Mr. Paul Rickman, Sportsman and Conservationist

Mr. Phil Wirth, Wolf Creek Rancher

SEN. JOHN BRUEGGEMAN, SD 6, POLSON

Ms. Pat Torgerson, Rancher

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

00:21:08

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:22

Closing by Sponsor:

00:25:59

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 178

Motion: SEN. BARKUS moved that SB 178 DO PASS.

Discussion:

Motion/Vote: SEN. BARKUS moved that SB 178 BE AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion/Vote: SEN. BARKUS moved that SB 178 DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:40 P.M.

SEN. JOSEPH (JOE) TROPILA, Chairman

ANNIE GLOVER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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