

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chairman Kendall Van Dyk, on April 2, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kendall Van Dyk, Chairman (D)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)
Rep. Joel Boniek (R)
Rep. Frosty Boss Ribs (D)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. Cary Smith (R)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)
Rep. Jeffery Welborn (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Dave McAlpin, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Paul Beck (D)
Rep. Scott Sales (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)

Staff Present: Bryce Bennett, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, 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 217; SB 435

Executive Action: SB 217

00:01:00 Rep. Barrett arrived.

00:01:00 Rep. O'Hara arrived.

HEARING ON SB 217

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:12 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 217, Reimburse livestock producers for tests for disease transmitted by wildlife.

EXHIBIT (fih73a01)

00:02:06 Rep. Cohenour arrived.

00:02:39 Rep. Phillips arrived.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor: None

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 217

00:02:55 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that **SB 217 BE TABLED.**

00:03:08 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
Rep. Beck, Rep. McAlpin, and Rep. Sales voted by proxy.

HEARING ON SB 435

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:44 Sen. John Brenden (R), SD 18, opened the hearing on SB 435, No net gain in state land.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:45 Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers Association
00:08:14 Nancy Schlepp, Montana Farm Bureau Federation
00:08:31 Rep. Beck arrived.
00:08:44 Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

00:09:44 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation
00:15:25 Paul Sihler, Division Administrator, Field Services
Division, Department of Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT (fih73a02)

00:19:42 John McDonald, City of Missoula

EXHIBIT (fih73a03)

00:22:22 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon
00:24:12 Robin Cunningham, Fishing Outfitters Association
00:25:14 Stan Frasier, Helena Hunters and Anglers Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:27:37 Rep. Washburn
00:28:04 Sen. Brenden
EXHIBIT (fih73a04)
00:30:14 Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:31:41 Sen. Brenden
00:32:30 Rep. Miller
00:32:52 Sen. Brenden
00:33:11 Rep. Miller
00:33:27 Sen. Brenden
00:33:58 Rep. Miller
00:34:13 Sen. Brenden
00:34:28 Rep. Welborn
00:35:02 Sen. Brenden
00:35:10 Rep. Welborn
00:35:22 Sen. Brenden
00:35:30 Rep. Welborn
00:36:20 Mr. Sihler
00:36:52 Rep. Welborn
00:37:04 Mr. Sihler
00:37:46 Rep. Peterson
00:38:20 Sen. Brenden
00:38:26 Rep. Peterson
00:38:40 Sen. Brenden
00:38:45 Rep. Barrett
00:39:53 Sen. Brenden
00:41:30 Rep. Barrett

00:41:44 Sen. Brenden
00:42:09 Rep. Cohenour
00:42:40 Ms. Ellis
00:43:15 Rep. Cohenour
00:43:46 Sen. Brenden
00:47:51 Rep. Cohenour
00:48:11 Sen. Brenden
00:48:18 Rep. Cohenour
00:48:45 Sen. Brenden
00:50:24 Rep. Cohenour
00:50:51 Sen. Brenden
00:51:20 Rep. Cohenour
00:52:01 Bob Lane, Chief Legal Counsel, FWP
00:52:49 Rep. Beck
00:53:54 Sen. Brenden
00:55:14 Rep. Hendrick
00:55:58 Sen. Brenden
00:56:18 Rep. Peterson
00:57:13 Mr. Lane
00:58:31 Rep. Peterson
00:59:04 Mr. Lane
00:59:35 Rep. Peterson
00:59:50 Mr. Lane
00:59:56 Rep. Washburn
01:00:21 Sen. Brenden
01:00:36 Rep. Smith
01:01:00 Sen. Brenden
01:01:12 Rep. Smith
01:01:34 Sen. Brenden
01:02:12 Rep. Smith
01:02:29 Mr. Sihler
01:03:17 Rep. Smith
01:03:31 Chairman Van Dyk
01:04:08 Sen. Brenden
01:04:34 Chairman Van Dyk
01:04:41 Sen. Brenden
01:05:01 Chairman Van Dyk
01:05:43 Sen. Brenden
01:06:46 Chairman Van Dyk
01:07:03 Sen. Brenden

Closing by Sponsor:

01:07:21 Sen. Brenden

ADJOURNMENT

01:11:15 Adjournment: 4:11 P.M.

Bryce Bennett, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([fih73aad.pdf](#))