

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Ted Washburn, on January 27, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Phillips, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Jeffery W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Cleve J. Loney (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Ted Washburn, Chair (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Staff Present: Cara Gold, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, 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: HB 209, 1/21/2011; HB 261, 1/21/2011; HB 272, 1/21/2011
Executive Action: HB 151

00:00:04 The Chair welcomed everyone and reviewed the rules of the committee.
00:01:48 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

HEARING ON HB 261

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:02 Rep. Matthew Rosendale (R), HD 38, opened the hearing on HB 261, Revise upland game bird hunting laws.

EXHIBIT(fih21a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:06:04 Dave Risley, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fih21a02)

00:07:03 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

00:08:22 Tim Aldrich, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:08:47 Rep. Janna Taylor, HD 11

00:09:32 Stan Frasier, Helena Hunters and Anglers

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:44 Rep. Boland
00:11:04 Rep. Rosendale
00:11:25 Rep. Court
00:11:42 Rep. Rosendale
00:11:56 Rep. Court
00:12:00 Rep. Rosendale
00:12:12 Rep. Peterson
00:12:37 Rep. Rosendale
00:12:57 Rep. Yates
00:14:16 Rep. Rosendale
00:14:54 Rep. Yates
00:15:06 Dave Risley, FWP
00:16:34 Rep. Yates
00:17:04 Rep. Knudsen
00:17:45 Rep. Court
00:18:08 Jean Johnson, MOGA
00:18:48 Rep. Court
00:18:59 Jean Johnson
00:19:39 Rep. Harris
00:20:00 Rep. Welborn
00:20:09 Rep. Harris
00:21:04 Dave Risley

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:00 Rep. Rosendale
00:22:34 Rep. Welborn
00:30:00 Rep. Wilmer and Rep. Flynn entered the hearing.
00:33:05 Rep. Welborn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 151

00:33:15 Hope Stockwell, LSD
00:34:22 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **HB 151 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Connell, Rep. Kary and Rep. Washburn voted aye by proxy.
00:35:01 Rep. Phillips

HEARING ON HB 272

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:56 Rep. Kelly Flynn (R), HD 68, opened the hearing on HB 272, Eliminate ability for FWP to use hunting access fees to acquire fee title lands.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:39:24 Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)
00:41:59 Jean Johnson, MOGA

Opponents' Testimony:

00:42:41 Stan Frasier, Helena Hunters and Anglers
00:44:32 Tim Aldrich, MWF
00:45:51 Glenn Hockett, Gallatin Wildlife Association
00:46:28 Glenn Monahan, Self

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:46 Rep. Kennedy
00:49:06 Dave Risley, FWP
00:49:59 Rep. Kennedy
00:50:07 Dave Risley
00:50:15 Rep. Phillips
00:50:30 Dave Risley

00:50:34 Rep. Phillips
00:51:31 Dave Risley
00:51:44 Rep. Loney
00:51:51 Dave Risley
00:52:01 Rep. Peterson
00:52:19 Dave Risley
00:52:30 Rep. Phillips
00:52:44 Dave Risley
00:52:50 Rep. Connell
00:53:04 Dave Risley
00:53:27 Rep. Peterson
00:53:46 Dave Risley

Closing by Sponsor:

00:54:00 Rep. Flynn
01:01:03 Rep. Washburn entered the hearing.

HEARING ON HB 209

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:01:18 Rep. Ted Washburn (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 209, Revise maintenance laws for FWP land to prioritize funds for WMAs.

Proponents' Testimony: None

01:03:00 Rep. Welborn left the hearing.

Opponents' Testimony:

01:06:28 Glenn Hockett, Gallatin Wildlife Association
01:07:55 Dave Risley, FWP
EXHIBIT(fih21a03)
01:12:19 Glenn Marx, Montana Association of Land Trusts (MALT)
01:12:55 Rep. O'Hara left the hearing.
01:14:20 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon
01:14:28 Rep. Kennedy left the hearing.
01:16:03 Glenn Monahan, Self
01:17:46 Rep. Kennedy returned to the hearing.

01:18:28 Jeff Barber, The Nature Conservancy
01:19:17 Stan Frasier, Helena Hunters and Anglers
01:22:20 Tim Aldrich, MWF

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:25:31 Rep. Miller
01:25:44 Dave Risley, FWP
01:26:03 Rep. Miller
01:26:31 Dave Risley
01:26:52 Rep. Miller
01:27:19 Dave Risley
01:27:31 Rep. Connell
01:28:03 Rep. Washburn
01:28:27 Rep. Connell
01:29:06 Dave Risley

01:29:28 Rep. O'Hara returned to the hearing

01:30:02 Dave Risley
01:30:21 Rep. Connell
01:30:38 Dave Risley
01:31:12 Ken McDonald, FWP
01:31:19 Rep. Connell
01:31:43 Ken McDonald
01:32:52 Rep. Connell
01:33:14 Ken McDonald
01:34:20 Rep. Flynn
01:34:50 Dave Risley
01:35:03 Rep. Flynn
01:35:17 Dave Risley
01:35:49 Rep. Knudsen
01:36:11 Dave Risley
01:36:46 Rep. Harris

01:36:55 Rep. Knudsen left the hearing.

01:37:19 Dave Risley
01:37:33 Rep. Phillips
01:38:24 Dave Risley

Closing by Sponsor:

01:38:37 Rep. Washburn

01:39:43 Rep. Knudsen returned to the hearing.

ADJOURNMENT

01:41:43 Adjournment

Cara Gold, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fih21aad.pdf](#))