

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on February 8, 2011 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317C  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Rinay Bender, Committee Secretary  
Quinn Holzer, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
Shawn Graham, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

**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:**

Executive Action on Decision Packages: 151, 3001, 3002, 3009, 3007, 5001

00:00:05 Quinn Holzer, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:00:55 Rep. Cuffe  
00:01:26 Sen. Brenden

**EXECUTIVE ACTION**

**DP 151**

00:20:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ripley moved that **DP 151 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DP 3001**

00:21:13 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ripley moved that **DP 3001 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DP 3002**

00:21:31 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved that **DP 3002 BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED TO REMOVE THE \$375,000 AND REPLACE IT WITH \$25,000 ONE TIME ONLY**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DP 3009**

00:22:19 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cuffe moved that **DP 3009 BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DP 3007**

00:22:42 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **DP 3007 BE ADOPTED AS ONE TIME ONLY**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**DP 5001**

00:23:39 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ripley moved that **DP 5001 BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED TO REMOVE \$36,200 PER YEAR IN GENERAL FUND AND LEAVE THE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:24:08 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:24:54 Chairman Ankney

**Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks - Invasive Species**

01:35:00 Members of Joint Subcommittee for Long Range Planning joined the meeting.  
01:35:39 Chairman Ankney called the meeting back to order.  
01:36:28 Barb Smith, LFD

**EXHIBIT(jnh31a01)**

01:37:05 Chairman Ankney  
01:37:44 Joe Maurier, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)  
[EXHIBIT\(jnh31a02\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:47:15 Sen. Ripley  
01:47:38 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:47:42 Sen. Ripley  
01:48:29 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:49:57 Sen. Ripley  
01:50:09 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:50:24 Sen. Ripley  
01:50:53 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:52:01 Sen. Brenden  
01:52:55 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:54:26 Chairman Ankney  
01:54:37 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:55:28 Sen. Keane  
01:56:00 Rep. Hollenbaugh left the meeting.  
01:56:23 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:57:21 Sen. Keane  
01:57:35 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
01:58:42 Sen. Keane  
01:59:13 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
02:00:06 Sen. Brenden  
02:00:34 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
02:01:18 Sen. Brenden  
02:01:51 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
02:02:37 Chairman Ankney  
02:02:40 Sen. Ripley left the meeting.

**Department of Agriculture - Invasive Species**

02:02:44 Ron de Yong, Department of Agriculture (MDA)  
[EXHIBIT\(jnh31a03\)](#)  
02:05:08 Rep. Hollenbaugh returned to the meeting.  
02:06:16 Sen. Ripley returned to the meeting.  
[EXHIBIT\(jnh31a04\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:21:16 Sen. Brenden  
02:21:58 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:22:24 Rep. Cuffe  
02:23:07 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:23:20 Rep. Cuffe  
02:23:43 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:24:53 Rep. Cuffe

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02:25:24 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:25:46 Sen. Ripley  
02:26:31 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:27:38 Sen. Ripley  
02:28:14 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:30:04 Sen. Ripley  
02:30:55 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:31:08 Sen. Ripley  
02:31:11 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:31:33 Sen. Keane  
02:31:58 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:32:26 Sen. Keane  
02:32:51 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
02:33:10 Eileen Ryce, FWP  
02:33:32 Sen. Keane  
02:33:53 Mr. Maurier, FWP  
02:34:02 Sen. Keane  
02:34:29 Sen. Brenden  
02:35:14 Ms. Smith, LFD  
02:35:42 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
02:36:15 Ms. Smith, LFD  
02:37:06 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
02:37:32 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:38:11 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
02:38:33 Mr. de Yong, MDA  
02:38:39 Sen. Keane  
02:38:47 Rep. Sesso  
02:38:59 Ms. Smith, LFD  
02:39:03 Sen. Keane  
02:39:22 Joe Lamson, Deputy Director, Department of Natural Resources and  
Conservation (DNRC)  
02:40:35 Ray Beck, Administrator, Conservation and Resource Development Division,  
DNRC, on behalf of Montana State Conservation Districts (MSCD)  
02:47:34 Chairman Ankney  
02:47:52 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:48:19 Chairman Ankney  
02:48:46 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:49:08 Sen. Keane  
02:49:17 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:49:38 Sen. Keane  
02:50:07 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:50:35 Chairman Ankney  
02:50:47 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:50:53 Chairman Ankney  
02:50:57 Mr. Beck, DNRC  
02:51:13 Chairman Ankney

**Public Comment:**

02:51:20 Bob Gilbert, Executive Director, Walleyes Unlimited

**Comments from Joint Committees:**

02:58:24 Rep. Sesso

**Public Comment:**

03:00:49 Jeff Tiberi, Executive Director, Montana Association of Conservation Districts  
(MACD)

**ADJOURNMENT**

03:01:37 Chairman Ankney adjourned the meeting.

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Rinay Bender, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jnh31aad.pdf](#))**