

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Ted Washburn, on March 10, 2011 at 3:05 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

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

Members Excused: Rep. Ted Washburn, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeffery W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)

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 537, 3/4/2011; SB 134, 3/4/2011; SB 115, 3/4/2011
Executive Action: SB 99; SB 92; SB 112; HB 537

00:00:09 Rep. Peterson, acted as the Chairman and welcomed the committee.

HEARING ON HB 537

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:39 Rep. Bill Harris (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on HB 537, Reinstate outfitter-sponsored hunting licenses.

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a02\)](#)

00:03:12 Rep. Wilmer entered the hearing.

00:05:07 Rep. Knudsen left the hearing.

00:10:25 Rep. Skattum entered the hearing.

00:12:05 Rep. Peterson

00:12:07 Rep. Harris

00:12:18 Rep. Peterson

00:12:25 Rep. Knudsen returned to the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:12:50 Rep. Flynn, HD 68

00:15:07 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters Guides Association (MOGA)

00:16:39 Rep. Driscoll

00:16:56 Rep. Peterson

00:17:19 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a03\)](#)

00:17:39 Rep. Kennedy left the hearing.

00:18:06 Rep. Knudsen and Rep. Flynn left the hearing.

00:18:25 Vito Quatraro, Headwaters Sportsman Association

00:18:40 Rep. Kary left the hearing.

00:19:27 Rep. Peterson

00:19:45 John Gibson, Billings Rod and Gun Club and Public Land and Water Association

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a04\)](#)

00:20:56 Rep. Knudsen and Rep. Kary returned to the hearing.

00:21:33 Rep. Flynn returned to the hearing.

00:22:56 Jim Posewitz, Helena Hunters and Anglers Association
[EXHIBIT\(fih54a05\)](#)

00:24:20 Rep. Yates and Rep. O'Hara left the hearing.

00:26:37 Nick Morrison, Self

00:28:09 Chris Marchion, Self

00:29:15 Rep. Kennedy and Rep. Yates returned to the hearing.

00:31:32 Gayle Joslin, Self

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a06\)](#)

00:34:11 J.W. Westman, Self

00:36:06 Sam Milodragovich, Self

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a07\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a08\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a09\)](#)

00:37:29 Rep. Phillips

00:37:53 Sam Milodragovich

00:41:27 Tim Quinn, Self

00:43:25 Rep. Kennedy left the hearing.

00:44:14 Tim Linehan, Self

00:45:28 Kurt Kephart, Self

00:47:38 Tim Ravndal, Self

00:48:25 Stan Frasier, Self

00:49:14 Rep. O'Hara and Rep. Kennedy returned to the hearing.

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:49:52 Rep. Harris

00:50:27 Rep. Welborn entered the hearing.

00:52:40 Rep. Peterson

00:52:52 Rep. Harris

HEARING ON SB 115

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:53:44 Sen. Greg Hinkle (R), SD 7, opened the hearing on SB 115, Prohibit disclosure of certain hunters' information.

00:55:59 Rep. Harris left the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:57:14 Joe Maurier, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a10\)](#)

00:58:52 George Golie, MWF

00:59:33 Tim Ravndal, Lewis and Clark Conservative Tea Party Group (LCCTP)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:00:17 Rep. Kennedy

01:00:26 Joe Maurier

01:00:35 Rep. Phillips

01:00:51 Joe Maurier

01:01:10 Rep. Connell

01:01:41 Joe Maurier

01:02:05 Rep. Court

01:02:16 Joe Maurier

01:02:18 Rep. Flynn left the hearing.

01:02:44 Rep. Court

01:02:51 Joe Maurier

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:03 Sen. Hinkle

01:03:11 Rep. Yates left the hearing.

HEARING ON SB 134

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:04:57 Sen. Alan Olson (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 134, Provide for economic impact statements on FWP seasonal rules.

01:05:03 Rep. Yates and Rep. Flynn returned to the committee.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:08:17 Shelby Demars, United Property Owners of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

01:10:35 Joe Maurier, FWP

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a11\)](#)

01:16:05 Stan Frasier, Self

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:17:52 Rep. Wilmer

01:18:44 Sen. Olson

01:18:50 Rep. Yates and Rep Flynn left the hearing.

01:19:31 Rep. Phillips

01:20:24 Joe Maurier

01:21:21 Rep. Phillips

01:22:09 Joe Maurier

01:22:23 Rep. Flynn

01:22:58 Sen. Olson

01:23:09 Rep. Kennedy

01:23:22 Sen. Olson

01:24:36 Rep. Loney

01:24:55 Sen. Olson

01:25:18 Rep. Peterson

01:26:02 Sen. Olson

01:26:14 Rep. Peterson

01:26:33 Sen. Olson

01:26:50 Rep. Connell

01:27:24 Joe Maurier

01:27:57 Rep. Connell

01:29:22 Sen. Olson

Closing by Sponsor:

01:31:12 Sen. Olson

01:33:47 Rep. Welborn

01:33:57 Rep. Flynn returned to the hearing.

01:34:00 Rep. Boland and Rep. Court left the hearing.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 537

- 01:34:58 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. O'Hara moved that **HB 537 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Boland, Rep. Court, Rep. Harris, Rep. Miller, Rep. Washburn and Rep. Yates voted by proxy.
- 01:36:14 Rep. Connell
- 01:36:20 Rep. Boland returned to the hearing.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 92

- 01:36:30 **Motion:** Rep. Connell moved that **SB 92 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

- 01:36:42 Rep. Flynn, Rep. Harris and Rep Court returned to the hearing
- 01:36:47 Rep. Loney
- 01:37:02 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
- 01:37:40 Rep. Connell
- 01:37:44 Rep. Washburn entered the hearing.
- 01:38:26 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Miller and Rep. Yates voted by proxy. Rep. Washburn will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 112

- 01:39:28 **Motion:** Rep. O'Hara moved that **SB 112 BE CONCURRED IN**.
- 01:39:45 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Kary made a substitute motion that **SB 112 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 15-5 by roll call vote with Rep. Harris, Rep. Kennedy, Rep. Knudsen, Rep. Peterson and Rep. Skattum voting no. Rep. Miller and Rep. Yates voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 99

- 01:42:38 **Motion:** Rep. O'Hara moved that **SB 99 BE CONCURRED IN**.

Discussion:

- 01:42:52 Rep. Wilmer
- 01:43:10 Rep. Phillips
- 01:43:34 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Miller and Rep. Yates voted by proxy. Rep. Peterson will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

01:46:50 Adjournment

Cara Gold, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(fih54a12\)](#)

Additional Documents:

[EXHIBIT\(fih54aad.pdf\)](#)