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MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: Chair John Brenden, on February 8, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brenden, Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Jim Shockley (R)
Sen. Art Wittich (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Joe Balyeat, Vice Chairman (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch
Kevin McCue, Committee Secretary

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 255, 2/2/2011

HEARING ON SB 255**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:54 Sen. John Brenden (R), SD 18, opened the hearing on SB 255, Establish criteria for FWP commission decisions.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:03 Mac Minard, Executive Director, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

00:09:59 Bob Gilbert, lobbyist, Walleyes Unlimited Montana

00:12:03 Mark Lambrecht, self

00:15:58 Paul Ellis, self

EXHIBIT(fis31a01)

00:20:15 John Youngberg, lobbyist, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

00:21:40 Shelby DeMars, lobbyist, United Property Owners of Montana

00:23:34 Chuck Rein, self

EXHIBIT(fis31a02)

00:27:04 Jack Billingsley, self

00:28:24 Rachel Kinkie, lobbyist, Coalition for the Responsible Management of Fish and Wildlife

EXHIBIT(fis31a03)

00:31:16 Ariel Overstreet, lobbyist, Montana Stockgrowers Association and Montana Cattle Women, Inc

00:31:41 Phillip Bowers, self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:32:37 Bob Ream, Chairman, Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis31a04)

00:42:37 Joe Maurier, Director, Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis31a05)

00:49:43 Larry Copenhaver, lobbyist, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:53:36 Mark Aagenes, lobbyist, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:54:41 Sen. Wittich

00:55:51 Mr. Ream, FWP

00:59:19 Sen. Wittich

01:00:07 Mr. Minard, MOGA

01:01:34 Sen. Shockley

01:03:20 Mr. Ream

01:03:39 Without objection, Bob Lane, Chief Legal Counsel, Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)

01:07:17 Sen. Shockley

01:08:05 Mr. Lane, FWP
01:09:26 Sen. Jent
01:09:48 Mr. Lane
01:12:59 Sen. Jent
01:13:24 Mr. Ream
01:14:00 Sen. Jent
01:14:19 Without objection, Ken McDonald, Wildlife Bureau Chief, Fish, Wildlife & Parks
(FWP)
01:18:22 Sen. Gallus
01:19:20 Dir. Maurier, FWP
01:19:27 Sen. Wittich
01:20:20 Mr. Ream
01:24:01 Sen. Hamlett
01:24:43 Sen. Brenden
01:28:24 Sen. Barrett
01:28:54 Mr. Minard
01:32:05 Sen. Barrett
01:33:20 Sen. Brenden

Closing by Sponsor:

01:35:50 Sen. Brenden

ADJOURNMENT

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01:42:40

Kevin McCue, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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