

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

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

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. John Brenden, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Joe Balyeat, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)  
Sen. Tom Facey (D)  
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)  
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)  
Sen. Jim Shockley (R)  
Sen. Art Wittich (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Larry Jent (D)

**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: HB 176, 3/3/2011; HB 287, 3/3/2011

**HEARING ON HB 287**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:02:09 Rep. Christy Clark (R), HD 17, opened the hearing on HB 287, Collection of wolf hides for benefit of livestock loss reduction & mitigation.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:48 Jim Brown, lobbyist, Montana Wool Growers Association  
00:05:34 Ariel Overstreet, lobbyist, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSA), Montana Cattle Women and on behalf of Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

00:06:24 George Edwards, Livestock Loss Mitigation Coordinator, Livestock Loss Reduction and Mitigation Board (LLRMB)  
00:06:55 Dave Risley, Fish and Wildlife Division Administrator, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:08:13 Sen. Wittich  
00:08:47 Mr. Edwards, LLRMB  
00:14:41 Sen. Balyeat  
00:14:48 Mr. Edwards

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:15:34 Rep. Clark

**HEARING ON HB 176**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:17:07 Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R), HD 48, opened the hearing on HB 176, Provide antelope tag for certain persons with terminally illness.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:20:34 Dave Risley, Fish and Wildlife Division Administrator, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

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00:21:49 Ben Lamb, lobbyist, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:22:39 Sen. Hamlett  
00:23:03 Mr. Risley, FWP  
00:23:22 Sen. Balyeat  
00:23:36 Rep. Kary

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:24:06 Rep. Kary

**ADJOURNMENT**

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00:24:44

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Kevin McCue, Secretary

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