

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Ted Washburn, on March 3, 2011 at 3:30 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ted Washburn, Chair (R)
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. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Cleve J. Loney (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Jeffery W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)

Members Absent: Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)

Staff Present: Cara Gold, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 133, 3/19/2011; SB 135, 3/19/2011; SB 136, 3/19/2011

00:00:04 The Chairman welcomed the committee and reviewed the committee rules.

HEARING ON SB 133

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:16 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 133, Prohibit harassment of sportsmen who purchase hunting licenses.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:08 Steve Jennings, Beaverhead Outdoors Association

00:05:04 Kerry White, Citizens for Balanced Use

Opponents' Testimony:

00:07:14 Joe Maurier, Director, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fih48a01\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

00:13:09 Jack Kane, Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:10 Rep. Flynn

00:14:52 Sen. Barrett

00:15:54 Re. Connell

00:16:29 Sen. Barrett

00:17:18 Rep. Connell

00:17:40 Sen. Barrett

00:17:53 Rep. Phillips

00:18:37 Joe Maurier

Closing by Sponsor:

00:20:03 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SB 136

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:22:55 Sen. Joe Balyeat (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 136, Revise residency requirements for hunting.

00:24:37 Rep. Welborn entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:31:27 Bob Brastrup, Self

Informational Testimony:

00:36:50 Joe Maurier, FWP

[EXHIBIT\(fih48a02\)](#)

00:39:13 Jean Johnson, Self

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:41:38 Rep. Knudsen

00:42:13 Sen. Balyeat

[EXHIBIT\(fih48a03\)](#)

00:42:18 Rep. O'Hara left the hearing.

00:43:18 Rep. Knudsen

00:43:39 Sen. Balyeat

00:43:57 Rep. Connell

00:45:22 Sen. Balyeat

00:46:17 Rep. Knudsen left the hearing.

00:46:35 Sen. Balyeat

00:47:21 Rep. Driscoll

00:47:29 Sen. Balyeat

00:48:18 Rep. Flynn

00:48:24 Rep. Knudsen returned to the hearing.

00:48:49 Sen. Balyeat

00:50:35 Rep. Flynn

00:50:53 Sen. Balyeat

00:51:11 Rep. Flynn

00:51:27 Sen. Balyeat

00:52:39 Rep. Wilmer

00:53:35 Sen. Balyeat

00:56:14 Rep. Washburn

00:56:21 Joe Maurier

00:56:26 Rep. Flynn left the hearing.

00:56:33 Rep. Washburn

00:56:45 Joe Maurier

00:56:49 Rep. Flynn returned to the hearing.

00:57:10 Rep. Washburn
00:57:15 Joe Maurier
00:57:32 Rep. Washburn
00:58:09 Sen. Balyeat

Closing by Sponsor:

01:00:20 Sen. Balyeat

HEARING ON SB 135

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:02:27 Sen. Joe Balyeat (R), SD 34, opened the hearing on SB 135, Clarify use of dogs to track wounded game animals.

EXHIBIT(fih48a04)

01:05:17 Rep. O'Hara returned to the hearing.

01:06:20 Rep. Harris entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:09:59 Jim Kropp, FWP

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:13:15 Rep. Phillips

01:13:18 Rep. Kennedy entered the hearing.

01:14:10 Jim Kropp

01:14:40 Rep. Phillips

01:14:50 Jim Kropp

01:15:04 Rep. Skattum

01:15:27 Sen. Balyeat

01:16:26 Rep. Flynn

01:16:56 Sen. Balyeat

01:17:56 Rep. Flynn

01:18:06 Sen. Balyeat

01:18:31 Rep. Washburn

01:19:32 Rep. Flynn

01:19:56 Sen. Balyeat

Closing by Sponsor:

01:21:01 Sen. Balyeat

ADJOURNMENT

01:23:39 Adjournment

Cara Gold, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(fih48a05\)](#)

Additional Documents:

[EXHIBIT\(fih48aad.pdf\)](#)