



Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee

My name is Jerry Davis. I represent the Montana Bowhunters Association for this testimony.

MBA supports HB 401 because it benefits both hunters and the FWP and because it is fiscally responsible.

As we all know one must be drawn during a special drawing in order to obtain a moose, sheep, and/or goat license.

HB 401 eliminates the need for individuals applying for these drawings to submit the full license price at the time of the drawing application. Instead individuals will be required to only submit a drawing fee. Only if they are drawn will they have to pay the full license price.

This bill is a win-win. It will eliminate FWP expenditures associated with processing refunds for unsuccessful applicants. It will generate over a million dollars in revenue for FWP to defray the administrative costs of the drawings. And it will relieve financial burden from drawing applicants to come up with the full price of a license during tax season.

Please vote "do pass" on HB 401.

Thank you

Jerry Davis