

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Jeffrey W. Welborn, on January 31, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair (R)
Rep. Doug Kary, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Alan Doane (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)
Rep. Ted Washburn (R)
Rep. Kerry White (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Gordon Vance (R)
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Marissa Stockton, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 247, 1/28/2013 HB 273, 1/24/2013 HB 278, 1/24/2013
Executive Action: HB 180, HB 198, HB 27, HB 273

00:16:49 Chair Welborn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 180

00:16:56 **Motion:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **HB 180 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:17:21 Rep. Wagoner
00:17:54 Rep. Flynn
00:18:20 Rep. Wagoner
00:18:46 Rep. Flynn
00:19:18 Rep. Wagoner
00:20:08 Rep. Connell
00:22:16 Hope Stockwell, LSD
00:22:46 Chair Welborn
00:23:28 Rep. Price
00:23:59 Rep. Wagoner
00:25:20 Rep. Price
00:25:36 Rep. Wagoner
00:25:59 Chair Welborn
00:27:00 Rep. Price
00:27:21 Rep. Wilmer
00:28:27 Rep. Shaw
00:29:19 Rep. Court
00:31:30 Chair Welborn

00:31:44 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-13 by roll call vote with Rep. Doane, Rep. Hoven, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Shaw, Rep. Vance, Rep. Wagoner, Rep. Warburton and Rep. White voting aye. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 198

00:32:30 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **HB 198 DO PASS**

00:33:07 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wilmer made a substitute motion that **HB 180 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

00:33:36 Rep. Flynn

00:33:59 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **HB 198 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:34:15 Rep. Flynn
00:35:16 Rep. Jacobson

00:35:55 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

00:36:32 Chair Welborn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 27

00:37:05 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **HB 27 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:37:23 Chair Welborn

00:37:27 **Motion:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **HB 27 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(fih21a01)

Discussion:

00:38:25 Rep. Washburn

00:39:24 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-8 by voice vote with Rep. Boland, Rep. Pomnichowski, Rep. Smith, Rep. Vance, Rep. Warburton, Rep. Washburn, Rep. White and Rep. Wilmer voting no. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

00:40:32 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **HB 27 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:40:45 Rep. Boland
00:41:21 Rep. Wilmer
00:42:07 Rep. Connell
00:42:52 Rep. Washburn
00:43:59 Rep. Court
00:45:15 Rep. Flynn
00:46:04 Rep. Jacobson
00:47:03 Rep. Kary left.
00:47:35 Rep. Doane
00:48:03 Rep. Wilmer

00:49:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Boland, Rep. Court, Rep. Flynn, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Lieser, Rep. Pomnichowski, Rep. Price, Rep. Smith and Rep. Wilmer voting no. Rep. Kary, Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

00:50:03 Chair Welborn

HEARING ON HB 273

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:51:26 Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), HD 75, opened the hearing on HB 273, Revise fish, wildlife, and parks laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:54:13 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

00:55:28 Hank Warsech, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fih21a02)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:56:37 Rep. Washburn
00:57:18 Hank Worsch, FWP
00:57:20 Rep. Washburn
00:57:36 Hank Worsch, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:44 Rep. McClafferty

HEARING ON HB 247

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:58:58 Rep. Steve Lavin (R), HD 8, opened the hearing on HB 247, Create permit for salvage of game killed by vehicles.

01:01:38 Chair Welborn

Proponents' Testimony:

01:01:49 John Mundinger, Self
01:03:52 Bill Mitchell, Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife
01:04:15 Jean Johnson, Self
01:05:23 Rep. Washburn

Opponents' Testimony:

01:07:39 Jim Kropp, Chief Law Enforcement Officer, FWP
[EXHIBIT\(fih21a03\)](#)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:59 Rep. Lieser
01:13:18 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:13:25 Rep. Lieser
01:13:30 Rep. Lavin
01:14:08 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:14:31 Rep. Lavin
01:15:15 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:15:57 Rep. Lavin
01:16:43 Rep. Pomnichowski
01:17:15 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:18:03 Rep. White
01:18:53 Rep. Lavin
01:19:51 Rep. White
01:20:10 Rep. Lavin
01:20:25 Rep. White
01:20:46 Rep. Lavin

01:21:33 Rep. Shaw
01:22:58 Chair Welborn
01:23:00 Rep. Shaw
01:23:15 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:24:19 Rep. Greef
01:24:45 Chair Welborn
01:25:00 Rep. Flynn
01:25:12 Rep. Lieser
01:26:00 Rep. Lavin
01:26:53 Rep. Doane
01:27:23 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:28:20 Rep. Connell
01:29:21 Rep. Lavin
01:29:40 Rep. Connell
01:30:17 Rep. Lavin
01:30:47 Rep. Connell
01:30:53 Rep. Smith
01:31:23 Rep. Lavin
01:32:10 Rep. Jacobson
01:32:32 Chair Welborn
01:32:49 Hope Stockwell, LSD
01:33:20 Rep. Court
01:34:05 Rep. Lavin
01:34:19 Rep. Court
01:34:37 Rep. Lavin
01:35:11 Rep. Court
01:35:29 Rep. Lavin
01:35:56 Rep. Wagoner
01:36:32 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:36:54 Rep. Wagoner
01:36:58 Jim Kropp, FWP
01:38:10 Rep. Boland
01:38:39 Rep. Lavin
01:39:07 Chair Welborn

Closing by Sponsor:

01:39:15 Rep. Lavin

01:43:32 Rep. Kary arrived to the meeting.
01:43:40 Chair Welborn
01:44:08 Rep. Lavin
01:45:10 Recessed
01:55:10 Reconvened
01:55:27 Rep. Wilmer
01:55:38 Chair Welborn

HEARING ON HB 278

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:56:06 Rep. Ted Washburn (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 278, Reduce waiting period to use bear license after purchase.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:59:11 Jean Johnson, MOGA

02:00:02 Bill Mitchell, Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife

Opponents' Testimony:

Informational Testimony:

02:00:54 Jim Kropp, FWP

[EXHIBIT\(fih21a04\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

02:05:30 Rep. Washburn

02:06:47 Chair Welborn

02:07:05 Hope Stockwell, LSD

02:07:55 Chair Welborn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 273

02:08:33 Chair Welborn

02:08:42 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **HB 273 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:08:57 Rep. Wagoner

02:09:04 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:09:47

Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fih21aad.pdf](#))