

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Duane Ankney, on April 4, 2013 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)
Rep. Steve Gibson, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Champ Edmunds (R)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)
Rep. Bill McChesney (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Pat Noonan (D)
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 256, 4/1/2013
Executive Action: SB 43; SB 236; SB 256

00:09:21 Chair Ankney

HEARING ON SB 256

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:10:34 Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R), SD 20, opened the hearing on SB 256, Making FWP liable for private property damages caused by wild buffalo/bison.

[EXHIBIT\(aph70a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph70a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph70a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:13:20 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

00:15:36 Ariel Overstreet, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA) and Montana Cattlewomen (MCW)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:17:23 Ken McDonald, Wildlife Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

00:19:36 Nick Gevock, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:20:23 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF) and National Wildlife Fund (NWF)

00:21:08 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:27 Rep. Cook

00:21:44 Mr. Lamb, MWF

00:21:59 Rep. Cook

00:22:01 Rep. Ballance

00:22:25 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:22:41 Rep. Ballance

00:23:12 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:23:42 Rep. Ballance

00:24:31 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:24:56 Rep. Woods

00:25:44 Rep. Hollandsworth

00:25:50 Rep. Woods

00:26:38 Rep. Brodehl

00:27:02 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:27:26 Rep. Brodehl

00:27:47 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:30:31 Rep. Brodehl

00:31:05 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:32:10 Rep. Glimm

00:32:46 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:32:50 Rep. Glimm

00:32:54 Mr. McDonald, FWP

00:33:10 Rep. Noonan

00:33:39 Sen. Moore

00:34:52 Rep. Noonan
00:35:13 Sen. Moore
00:35:50 Rep. Whitford
00:36:21 Sen. Moore
00:37:06 Rep. Whitford
00:37:32 Mr. McDonald, FWP
00:38:07 Rep. Whitford
00:38:40 Mr. McDonald, FWP
00:39:31 Rep. Hagstrom
00:40:15 Sen. Moore
00:40:39 Rep. Hagstrom
00:41:03 Sen. Moore
00:41:18 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:41:36 Mr. McDonald, FWP
00:41:50 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:42:15 Mr. McDonald, FWP
00:42:25 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:43:12 Mr. McDonald, FWP
00:43:55 Rep. Hollandsworth
00:44:00 Sen. Moore
00:44:24 Rep. Cuffe
00:44:43 Sen. Moore
00:44:48 Rep. Cuffe
00:44:53 Sen. Moore
00:45:21 Rep. Ballance
00:45:53 Mr. McDonald, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:46:36 Sen. Moore

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 43

00:49:31 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 43 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

00:50:14 Rep. Cook
00:50:21 Rep. Gibson
00:50:24 Rep. Cook

00:50:28 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ehli and Rep. Osmundson voted by proxy. Rep. Ankney will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 236

00:51:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 236 BE CONCURRED IN.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ehli and Rep. Osmundson voted by proxy. Rep. Ankney will carry the bill.

00:52:44 Recessed.

02:02:18 Reconvened with Rep. Osmundson and Rep. Ehli not present and excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 256

02:02:32 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 256 BE CONCURRED IN.**

02:02:44 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook moved that **SB 256 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried
unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ehli and Rep. Osmundson voted by proxy.
EXHIBIT(aph70a04)

02:03:53 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook moved that **SB 256 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried
unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ehli and Rep. Osmundson voted by proxy.
EXHIBIT(aph70a05)

02:05:18 **Motion:** Rep. Gibson moved that **SB 256 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:05:28 Rep. Hollenbaugh

02:06:04 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Ehli and Rep.
Osmundson voted by proxy. Rep. Cook will carry the bill.

02:06:46 Chair Ankney

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:06:55

Lisa Adams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph70aad.pdf](#))