

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

**Call to Order:** Chair Jeffrey W. Welborn, on April 9, 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: SB 381, 4/6/2013; SB 397, 4/6/2013  
Executive Action: SB 178, SB 260. SB 381

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 178**

00:11:21 Chair Welborn

00:11:25 **Motion:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **SB 178 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:11:44 Rep. Flynn

00:12:12 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy. Rep. Welborn will carry the bill.

00:12:31 Chair Welborn

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 260**

00:12:43 **Motion:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **HB 260 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

00:12:53 Rep. Connell

00:14:57 Rep. Jacobson

00:16:14 Rep. Flynn

00:16:20 **Vote:** Motion failed unanimously by roll call vote. Rep. Warburton and Rep. Vance voted by proxy. Rep. Smith will carry the bill.

00:19:07 Chair Welborn

00:19:18 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **SB 260 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.

00:19:50 Chair Welborn

**HEARING ON SB 381****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:21:10 Sen. Chas Vincent (R), SD 1, opened the hearing on SB 381, Revise qualifications, fee for nonresident relative hunting, fishing licenses.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:24:36 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

00:25:41 Chair Welborn

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:26:02 Vito Quatraro, Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA)

**EXHIBIT(fih74a01)**

00:27:56 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:28:57 John Borgreen, Russell Country Sportsmen of Great Falls (RCSS)

00:29:38 Sam Milodragovich, MSA, Skyline Sportsmens Association

00:30:06 Jerry Davis, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)  
00:30:23 Robert Wood, Ravalli County Fish and Wildlife Federation

**Informational Testimony:**

00:30:48 Hank Worsech, License Bureau Chief, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:31:08 Rep. Flynn  
00:31:20 Hank Worsech, FWP  
00:31:46 Rep. Flynn  
00:32:06 Hank Worsech, FWP  
00:32:46 Rep. Kary  
00:33:26 Hank Worsech, FWP  
00:33:53 Rep. Pomnichowski  
00:34:29 Hank Worsech, FWP  
00:34:44 Rep. Jacobson  
00:35:16 Hank Worsech, FWP  
00:35:50 Rep. Jacobson  
00:36:07 Sen. Vincent

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:37:01 Sen. Vincent  
  
00:38:30 Chair Welborn

**HEARING ON SB 397****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:39:05 Sen. Scott Boulanger (R), SD 44, opened the hearing on SB 397, Establishing provisional hunting seasons for certain large predators.

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a02\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:49:14 Keith Kubista, Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife (MT-SFW)

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a03\)](#)

00:53:39 Mike Coplo, MT-SFW

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a04\)](#)

00:57:58 Bill Mitchell, Self

**Opponents' Testimony:**

01:00:27 Ken MacDonald, Wildlife Division Administrator, FWP

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a05\)](#)

01:09:44 Rep. Margie MacDonald, HD 54

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a06\)](#)

01:10:50 Chair Welborn

01:11:03 Vito Quatraro, MSA

[EXHIBIT\(fih74a07\)](#)

01:16:25 Chair Welborn

01:16:39 Steve Clevidence, Living with Wolves

01:18:44 Cal Rourk, Bitterroot Valley Houndsmen Association (BVRHA)

01:23:34 Chuck Pyles, Self  
 01:23:52 Rod Bullis, Bitterroot Valley Houndsmen Association  
**EXHIBIT(fih74a08)**  
 01:26:36 Rod Gregorie, Self  
 01:29:13 Chair Welborn  
 01:29:24 Peter Husby, Self  
 01:30:04 Kim Bean, Vice President, Wolves of the Rockies  
 01:31:26 Bonnie Rice, Sierra Club  
 01:31:56 Robert Wood, Ravalli County Fish and Wildlife Association

**EXHIBIT(fih74a09)**

01:32:11 Norman Bishop, Self

**EXHIBIT(fih74a10)**

01:33:06 Mark Jenings, Self  
 01:33:18 Dan Peterson, Bitterrot Valley Houndsmen Association  
 01:33:41 Jerry David, MBA  
 01:34:04 Wendy Hergenerger, Montana Humane Society of the United States

**EXHIBIT(fih74a11)****EXHIBIT(fih74a12)**

01:34:27 Justin Sakalis, Montana Audubon  
 01:34:38 Roland Dean, Montana Houndsmen Association  
 01:34:53 John Borgreen, RCSS  
 01:35:10 Chair Welborn  
 01:35:17 Jake Troyer, Montana Conservation Voters  
 01:35:31 Sam Milodragovich, Skyline Sportsmen and MSA  
 01:35:47 Mike Leahy, Defenders of Wildlife  
 01:36:04 Derek Goldman, Endangered Species Coalition  
 01:36:19 Mark Cooke, Wolves of the Rockies

**EXHIBIT(fih74a13)**

01:36:50 George Golie, MWF  
 01:37:09 Joe Perry, Conrad Sportsmens Alliance  
 01:37:39 Chair Welborn

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:38:00 Rep. White  
 01:38:47 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:39:34 Rep. White  
 01:40:46 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:42:30 Rep. Washburn  
 01:42:52 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:43:03 Rep. Washburn  
 01:43:14 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:43:53 Rep. Washburn  
 01:44:21 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:44:41 Rep. Washburn  
 01:45:00 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:45:17 Rep. Washburn  
 01:45:18 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
 01:45:30 Rep. Washburn

01:45:56 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:46:46 Rep. Washburn  
01:46:52 Rep. Wilmer  
01:47:24 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:48:20 Rep. Wilmer  
01:48:24 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:48:38 Rep. Wilmer  
01:48:45 Norman Bishop  
01:51:08 Chair Welborn  
01:51:14 Rep. Flynn  
01:51:35 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:53:09 Rep. Flynn  
01:53:38 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:53:42 Rep. Flynn  
01:54:04 Ken MacDonald, FWP  
01:54:44 Rep. Hoven  
01:55:24 Ken MacDonald, FWP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:56:09 Sen. Boulanger  
  
02:03:33 Chair Welborn  
02:17:43 Rep. Connell left the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 381**

02:18:17 **Motion:** Rep. Kary moved that **SB 381 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

02:18:25 Chair Welborn  
02:18:36 Rep. Washburn  
02:19:11 Rep. Wilmer  
02:19:54 Rep. Boland  
  
02:21:11 **Vote:** Motion failed. 18-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Vance, Rep. Warburton and Rep. White voting yes. Rep. Connell, Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voted by proxy.  
  
02:21:13 Chair Welborn  
  
02:21:45 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wilmer moved that **SB 381 BE TABLED.** Motion carried 18-3 by voice vote with Rep. Connell, Rep. Vance and Rep. Warburton voting no.  
  
02:22:03 Chair Welborn

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 02:22:23

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Marissa Stockton, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([fih74aad.pdf](#))**