

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: Chair John Brenden, on February 12, 2013 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brenden, Chair (R)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mary Kulawik, Committee Secretary
Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 26, 2/6/2013; SB 250, 2/6/2013; SB 249, 2/6/2013

HEARING ON HB 26**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:22:02 Rep. Ted Washburn (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 26, Allow lighted nock on arrows while big game hunting.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:04 Dan Rope, self

00:30:38 Paul Ellis, self

[EXHIBIT\(fis31a01\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:35:55 Jerry Davis, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)

[EXHIBIT\(fis31a02\)](#)

00:38:56 Charlie Johnson, self

[EXHIBIT\(fis31a03\)](#)

00:44:12 Richard Solum, self

00:46:58 Charles Culver, self

00:49:20 Marlon Clapham, self

Informational Testimony:

00:52:12 George Pauley, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fis31a04\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:52:48 Sen. Thomas

00:53:37 Marlon Clapham, self

00:55:30 Sen. Thomas

00:55:48 Paul Ellis, self

00:56:26 Sen. Fielder

00:57:15 Paul Ellis

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:41 Rep. Washburn

[EXHIBIT\(fis31a05\)](#)

HEARING ON SB 250**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:59:48 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 250, Requirements for good neighbor laws, FWP acquisitions.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:03:25 Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)
01:04:09 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:05:20 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon (MA)
01:07:07 Paul Sihler, Field Services Division Administrator, Montana Department of Fish,
Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis31a06)

01:10:33 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
01:12:32 Sam Milodragovich, Skyline Sportsmen-Butte (SSB) and Montana Sportsmen
Alliance (MSA)

EXHIBIT(fis31a07)**EXHIBIT(fis31a08)****EXHIBIT(fis31a09)**

01:16:40 John Borgreen, Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA) and Russell Country
Sportsmen (RCS)

EXHIBIT(fis31a10)**EXHIBIT(fis31a11)**

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:17:59 Sen. Fielder
01:18:24 Paul Sihler, FWP
01:18:45 Sen. Fielder
01:19:31 Sen. Barrett
01:19:48 Sen. Ripley
01:21:24 Paul Sihler
01:21:58 Sen. Facey
01:22:55 Paul Sihler
01:24:10 Sen. Facey
01:25:14 Sen. Barrett
01:25:53 Sen. Peterson
01:27:48 Paul Sihler
01:28:47 Chairman Brenden
01:30:24 Sam Milodragovich, SSB and MSA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:30:32 Sen. Barrett

HEARING ON SB 249**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:34:12 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 249, Revise laws related to wildlife management.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:39:52 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

01:40:43 Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:41:48 Becky Jakes Dockter, Chief Legal Counsel, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis31a12)

01:47:22 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

01:48:30 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon (MA)

01:49:43 Sam Milodragovich, Skyline Sportsmen-Butte (SSB) and Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA)

EXHIBIT(fis31a13)

01:50:50 John Borgreen, Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA) and Russell Country Sportsmen (RCS)

EXHIBIT(fis31a14)**EXHIBIT(fis31a15)**

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:52:28 Sen. Thomas

01:53:06 Sen. Barrett

01:54:26 Sen. Ripley

01:58:35 Becky Jakes Dockter, FWP

02:00:04 Sen. Facey

02:00:47 Sen. Barrett

02:01:35 Sen. Fielder

02:04:58 Becky Jakes Dockter

02:06:20 Chairman Brenden

02:08:44 Becky Jakes Dockter

Closing by Sponsor:

02:09:00 Sen. Barrett

Committee Business:

02:14:39 Chairman Brenden
02:15:43 Sen. Van Dyk
02:15:48 Chairman Brenden
02:16:34 Sen. Thomas

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:56 P.M.

Mary Kulawik, Secretary

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Additional Document

Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fis31aad.pdf](#))