MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Kelly Flynn, on January 29, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:
- Rep. Kelly Flynn, Chair (R)
- Rep. Jean Price, Vice Chair (D)
- Rep. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
- Rep. Bob Brown (R)
- Rep. Zach Brown (D)
- Rep. Rob Cook (R)
- Rep. Virginia Court (D)
- Rep. Clayton Fiscus (R)
- Rep. Tom Jacobson (D)
- Rep. Ed Lieser (D)
- Rep. Mark Noland (R)
- Rep. Andrew Person (D)
- Rep. Randall Pinocci (R)
- Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
- Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
- Rep. Kirk Wagoner (R)
- Rep. Kerry White (R)

Members Excused:
- Rep. G. Bruce Meyers (R)

Members Absent:
- Rep. Stephanie Hess (R)

Staff Present: Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch
- Jennifer Petersen, Committee Secretary

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 263, 1/22/2015
- HB 268, 1/22/2015
- HB 269, 1/22/2015
- HB 46, 1/22/2015
HEARING ON SB 46

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
00:03:18 Sen. JP Pominichowski (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SB 46, Authorize electronic signatures for hunting and fishing licenses.

Proponents' Testimony:
00:05:38 Hank Worsech, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
00:09:59 Rep. Wagoner
00:10:13 Hank Worsech, FWP
00:10:33 Chair Flynn
00:10:42 Rep. Wagoner
00:10:51 Rep. Hess arrives
00:11:20 Hank Worsech, FWP
00:11:30 Dustin Temple, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
00:12:13 Rep. Wagoner
00:12:36 Dustin Temple (FWP)
00:13:01 Chair Flynn
00:13:08 Rep. Court
00:13:33 Hank Worsech, FWP
00:13:46 Rep. Court
00:13:53 Hank Worsech, FWP
00:14:00 Chair Flynn
00:14:04 Rep. B. Brown
00:14:22 Hank Worsech, FWP
00:14:41 Chair Flynn

Closing by Sponsor:
00:14:51 Sen. Pominichowski
Opening Statement by Sponsor:
00:16:19 Rep. Matthew Monforton (R), HD 69, opened the hearing on HB 263, Remove Madison buffalo jump state park form primitive parks listing.

Proponents' Testimony:
00:18:10 Chair Flynn
00:18:17 Jeff Welch, State Parks and Recreation Board--District 2
00:23:22 Chair Flynn
00:23:29 Chas VanGenderen, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT (fih20a03)

EXHIBIT (fih20a04)
00:26:01 Robin Hoover, Yellowstone Country Montana Tourism Region
00:28:31 Chair Flynn
00:28:36 Aimee Grmoljez, Montana Travel, Lodging and Hospitality Association (MLHA)
00:29:10 Chair Flynn
00:29:14 Gene Townsend, self

EXHIBIT (fih20a05)
00:30:31 Chair Flynn
00:30:42 Pam Carey, self

EXHIBIT (fih20a06)
00:33:05 Chair Flynn
00:33:14 Bill Goold, Friends of the Madison Buffalo Jump
00:35:00 Chair Flynn
00:35:13 Chere Jiusto, Montana Preservation Alliance (MPA)
00:36:18 Chair Flynn
00:36:27 Bob Walker, Montana Trails Recreation and Parks Association (MTRPA)
00:36:42 Bob Haseman, self
00:36:52 Chair Flynn
00:36:54 Paul Kindt, Partner Ensuring Equal Rights and Supports (PEERS)

Opponents' Testimony:
00:37:31 Jake Troyer, Montana Audubon (MA)
00:39:40 Chair Flynn

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
00:39:59 Rep. Cook
00:40:18 Chas VanGenderen, FWP
00:40:30 Rep. Cook
00:40:37 Chas VanGenderen, FWP
00:40:55 Rep. Cook
00:41:14 Chas VanGenderen, FWP
HEARING ON HB 269

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
00:56:12 Rep. Tom Jacobson (D), HD 21, opened the hearing on HB 269, Revise hunting access enhancement program laws and provide funding.
00:58:14 Chair Flynn

Proponents' Testimony:
George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

Chair Flynn

Vito Quatraro, Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA)

Chair Flynn

Chris Marchion, Anaconda Sportsmens Club (ASC)

Chair Flynn

John Borgreen, Russell Country Sportsmens Association (RCSA)

Chair Flynn

Ed Grady, self

Ed Beall, self

Jerry Davis, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)

Jake Troyer, Montana Audubon (MA)

Chair Essmann

Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)

Chair Flynn

Jeff Hagener, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers Association (MSGA)

Chair Flynn

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. White

Rep. Jacobson

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Rep. Jacobson

Rep. White

Jay Bodner, MSGA

Rep. Wagoner

Jeff Hagener, FWP

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Chair Flynn

Rep. Z. Brown

Rep. Jacobson

Chair Flynn

Rep. Z. Brown

Ed Grady, self

Chair Flynn

Closing by Sponsor:
HEARING ON HB 268

Opening Statement by Sponsor:
01:40:44  Vice Chair Price
01:41:02  Rep. Kelly Flynn (R), HD 70, opened the hearing on HB 268, Create a block
management stamp program.
01:46:24  Vice Chair Price

Proponents' Testimony:
01:46:42  George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
01:47:48  Vito Quatraro, Montana Sportsmen Alliance (MSA)
EXHIBIT (fih20a13)
EXHIBIT (fih20a14)
EXHIBIT (fih20a15)
EXHIBIT (fih20a16)
01:53:39  Jerry Davis, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)
EXHIBIT (fih20a17)
01:55:14  Ed Beall, self
01:58:45  John Borgreen, Russell Country Sportsmen Association (RCSA)
02:01:00  Ben Lamb, self
02:02:37  Jake Troyer, Montana Audubon
EXHIBIT (fih20a18)
02:04:06  Ed Grady, self
02:05:54  Vice Chair Price
02:06:06  Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)
02:07:59  Vice Chair Price
02:08:16  Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)
02:09:27  Doug Shenkle, self
02:10:44  Chuck Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)
02:11:51  Jay Bodner, Montana Stock Growers Association (MSG A)
02:12:38  Vice Chair Price
02:12:43  Jeff Hagener, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
EXHIBIT (fih20a19)
02:14:52  Vice Chair Price

Opponents' Testimony:
02:15:05  Chris Marchion, Anaconda Sportsmen Club (ASC)
02:16:51  Vice Chair Price

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 221

02:30:02  Chair Flynn
02:30:43  Jason Mohr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
02:31:16  Chair Flynn


EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 212

02:33:48  **Motion:** Rep. Welborn moved that **HB 212 DO PASS.**

02:33:54  Chair Flynn
02:34:03  Jason Mohr, LSD
02:35:13  Chair Flynn

**Discussion:**
02:35:16  Rep. Person
02:37:21  Chair Flynn
02:37:24  Rep. Wagoner
02:40:30  Chair Flynn
02:40:33  Rep. B. Brown
02:43:53  Chair Flynn
02:45:58  Chair Flynn
02:46:02  Rep. Wagoner
02:47:34 Chair Flynn
02:47:38 Rep. Z. Brown
02:49:23 Chair Flynn
02:49:35 Rep. Meyers
02:51:49 Chair Flynn


02:53:28 Chair Flynn
ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:54:45

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Jennifer Petersen, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT(fih20aad.pdf)