

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: By Chairman Mike Milburn, on January 18, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Milburn, Chairman (R)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Gary Branae (D)
Rep. George G. Groesbeck (D)
Rep. Edward Hilbert (R)
Rep. Rick Jore (C)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips (D)
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. Ernie Dutton (R)
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, 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 199, 1/11/2007; HB 264,
1/11/2007

Executive Action: HB 115; HB 226

HEARING ON HB 199

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:21 Rep. William Jones (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 199, Water-based recreational access donations/donor recognition.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:11:03 Joe Maurier, Administrator, Parks Division, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:13:19 Rep. Hilbert
00:15:11 Larry Peterman, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks
00:15:19 Rep. Peterson
00:21:12 Rep. Becker
00:21:56 Rep. Koopman
00:23:56 Rep. Hilbert
00:26:17 Rep. Vincent
00:28:42 Rep. Groesbeck
00:33:09 Rep. Peterson
00:35:04 Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division

Closing by Sponsor:

00:36:09 Rep. Jones

HEARING ON HB 264

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:36:38 Rep. Ralph Heinert (R), HD 1, opened the hearing on HB 264, Allow 2 fishing rods per boat angler statewide.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:38:22 Scott Chehock, Conservation Director, Montana Wildlife Federation

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:39:27 Larry Peterman, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:41:56 Rep. Groesbeck
00:42:48 Rep. Peterson
00:43:54 Rep. Hilbert
00:44:31 Rep. Koopman
00:45:21 Jim Kropp, Chief of Wildlife Enforcement, Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks
00:48:14 Rep. Milburn
00:50:17 Rep. Hilbert
00:50:29 Rep. Peterson

Closing by Sponsor:

00:51:28 Rep. Ralph Heinert
00:51:58 Break
01:06:47 Resume (Rep. Phillips did not return to hearing)

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 226

01:07:42 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 226 **DO PASS**.
01:08:41 **Motion:** Rep. Koopman moved that HB 226 **BE AMENDED**.
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Discussion:

01:09:02 Rep. Koopman
01:09:56 Rep. Peterson
01:10:38 Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division
01:11:14 Rep. Ward
01:12:03 Rep. Koopman
01:13:02 **Vote:** **Motion carried 16-3** by voice vote with Reps. Becker, Branae, and Peterson voting no and Reps. Cordier, Phillips, Van Dyk and Dutton voting by proxy.

01:14:26 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 226 **DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

01:14:39 Rep. Peterson

01:15:13 Rep. Ward

01:16:31 Rep. Driscoll

01:17:07 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** 13-6 by roll call vote with Reps. Barrett, Jore, Koopman, Peterson, Vincent, and Ward voting no and Reps. Cordier, Phillips, Van Dyk and Dutton voting by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 115

01:19:33 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 115 **DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:19:43 Rep. Ward

01:20:07 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** 18-1 by voice vote with Rep. Barrett voting no and Reps. Dutton, Cordier, Phillips and Van Dyk voting by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

REP. MIKE MILBURN, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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