

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: By Chairman Mike Milburn, on February 1, 2007 at 3:45 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)

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

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 12, 1/19/2007; HB 232, 1/24/2007
Executive Action: HB 199; HB 264; HB 284

HEARING ON HJ 12

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:03 Rep. Kevin Furey (D), HD 91, opened the hearing on HJ 12, Urge designation of Milltown dam reclamation area as state park.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:43 Michael Kustudia, Missoula resident and member of Clark Fork River Clean Up Committee
00:07:28 Gary Matson, Milltown area resident
00:09:48 Judy Matson, Milltown area resident
00:12:09 David Goodhart, Missoula resident and fishing guide

Opponents' Testimony:

00:13:43 Harley Jones, Missoula resident
[EXHIBIT\(fih22a01\)](#)
[EXHIBIT\(fih22a02\)](#)
00:21:10 Paul Layton, Sr., Chair, Save our Bridge Committee

Informational Testimony:

00:23:42 Joe Maurier, Park Administrator, Fish, Wildlife & Parks
[EXHIBIT\(fih22a03\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:28:13 Rep. Groesbeck
00:29:59 Rep. Hilbert
00:37:10 Rep. Vincent
00:42:51 Rep. Jore
00:44:49 Rep. Hendrick
00:46:19 Rep. Peterson
00:54:21 Rep. Barrett
00:55:51 Chairman Milburn

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:27 Rep. Kevin Furey

HEARING ON HB 232

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:01:01 Rep. Bob Lake (R), HD 88, opened the hearing on HB 232, Nonresident seniors/fish & hunt game birds upon purchase of conservation license.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

01:07:34 Jeff Hagener, Director, Fish, Wildlife & Parks

EXHIBIT(fih22a04)

01:09:47 Mark Aagenes, Montana Trout Unlimited

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:10:35 Rep. Ward

01:12:23 Rep. Jore

Closing by Sponsor:

01:14:45 Rep. Bob Lake

01:16:23 Break

01:30:24 Resume

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 284

01:30:25 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 284 **BE TABLED. MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote with Reps. Dutton, Wilson, Van Dyk and Cordier voting by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 199

01:32:15 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 199 **DO PASS.**

Discussion:

01:32:38 Rep. Peterson

01:32:59 **Motion:** Rep. Peterson moved that HB 199 **BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fih22a05)

Discussion:

01:33:59 Rep. Peterson
01:34:50 Rep. Becker
01:35:27 Rep. Hilbert
01:36:42 Rep. Peterson
01:37:45 Rep. Hilbert
01:38:12 Rep. Peterson
01:38:28 Rep. Hilbert
01:38:56 Rep. Peterson
01:39:47 Rep. Hilbert
01:40:54 Rep. Hendrick
01:42:08 Rep. Ward

01:42:57 **Vote:** **MOTION FAILED** 2-17 by roll call vote with Reps. Peterson and Ward voting aye and Reps. Cordier, Dutton, Van Dyk and Wilson voting by proxy.

01:44:20 **Motion:** Rep. Peterson moved that HB 199 **BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fih22a06)

Discussion:

01:45:05 Rep. Peterson
01:46:21 Rep. Hilbert

01:46:30 **Vote:** **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously by voice vote with Reps. Cordier, Dutton, Van Dyk and Wilson voting by proxy.

01:47:15 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 199 **DO PASS AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED** 16-3 by voice vote with Reps. Jore, Koopman, and Vincent voting no and Reps. Cordier, Dutton, Van Dyk and Wilson voting by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 264

01:49:06 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 264 **DO PASS.**

01:49:45 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 264 **BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(fih22a07)

Discussion:

01:50:04 Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division
01:53:06 Rep. Hilbert
01:53:34 Doug Sternberg
01:55:23 Jeff Hagener, Director, Fish, Wildlife & Parks
01:56:45 Rep. Becker
01:57:25 Doug Sternberg
01:58:19 Rep. Ward
01:58:36 Rep. Koopman
01:59:32 Jeff Hagener
02:00:48 Rep. Koopman
02:01:49 Jeff Hagener
02:02:14 Rep. Koopman
02:02:55 Chairman Milburn
02:03:00 Doug Sternberg
02:04:01 Rep. Peterson
02:04:21 Rep. Hilbert
02:05:15 Jeff Hagener

02:05:33 **Vote: MOTION CARRIED** 18-1 by voice vote with Rep. Groesbeck voting no and Reps. Dutton, Wilson, Van Dyk and Cordier voting by proxy.

02:06:22 **Motion:** Rep. Hendrick moved that HB 264 **DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

02:06:35 Rep. Peterson
02:07:07 Doug Sternberg
02:09:34 Rep. Vincent
02:10:06 Doug Sternberg
02:11:28 Rep. Peterson

02:12:15 **Vote: MOTION CARRIED** 18-1 by roll call vote with Rep. Ward voting no and Reps. Cordier, Dutton, Van Dyk and Wilson voting by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 6:10 P.M.

REP. MIKE MILBURN, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([fih22aad.pdf](#))