

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Ted Washburn, on February 3, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 152
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Ted Washburn, Chair (R)
Rep. Mike Phillips, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Carlie Boland (D)
Rep. Pat Connell (R)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. Bill Harris (R)
Rep. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Rep. Dan Kennedy (R)
Rep. Austin Knudsen (R)
Rep. Cleve J. Loney (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Dan Skattum (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)
Rep. Max Yates (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Jeffery W. Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Ken Peterson (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Cara Gold, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, 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 137, 2/1/2011; HB 335, 2/1/2011; HB 336, 2/1/2011; HB 339,
2/1/2011

Executive Action: HB 137

00:00:03 The Chair welcomed the committee and reviewed the committee agenda.

00:01:24 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

HEARING ON HB 137

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:31 Rep. Scott Reichner (R), HD 9, opened the hearing on HB 137, Authorize bounties, commercial hook-line fishing for lake trout in Flathead Lake.

00:02:51 Rep. Peterson entered the hearing.

00:04:02 Rep. Washburn

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:04:27 Art Noonan, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
(Without objection, the committee deemed the witness as a proponent.)

00:05:35 Hope Stockwell, LSD

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:02 Rep. Wilmer

00:06:35 Art Noonan

00:07:06 Rep. Welborn entered the hearing.

Closing by Sponsor: None

00:09:53 Rep. Washburn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 137

00:09:58 **Motion:** Rep. O'Hara moved that **HB 137 DO PASS.**

00:10:10 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Wilmer made a substitute motion that **HB 137 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Flynn voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 339

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:11:52 Rep. Liz Bangerter (R), HD 80, opened the hearing on HB 339, Eliminate limit on sale of Class B-13 youth nonresident big game combo licenses.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:00 Dave Risley, FWP
EXHIBIT(fih27a01)

00:15:09 Rep. Kennedy left the hearing.

00:16:38 Rep. Knudsen left the hearing.

00:17:28 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:22:27 George Golie, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:25:06 Rep. Kennedy returned to the hearing.

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:09 Rep. Wilmer

00:26:52 Rep. Bangerter

00:26:58 Rep. Wilmer

00:27:12 Rep. Bangerter

00:27:20 Rep. Wilmer

00:27:34 Rep. Bangerter

00:27:39 Rep. Knudsen returned to the hearing.

00:28:13 Rep. Kennedy

00:28:36 Rep. Bangerter

00:28:50 Rep. Kennedy

00:29:01 Rep. Bangerter

00:29:17 Dave Risley

00:29:45 Rep. Miller

00:30:01 Dave Risely

00:30:31 Rep. Connell

00:30:58 Rep. Phillips

00:31:17 Hope Stockwell

00:32:15 Rep. Washburn

00:32:30 Dave Risley

00:32:42 Rep. Wasburn

00:32:50 Dave Risley
00:33:03 Rep. Washburn
00:33:32 Dave Risley

00:33:59 Rep. Peterson left the hearing.

00:34:33 Rep. Washburn
00:34:40 Dave Risley
00:34:46 Rep. Skattum
00:34:59 Dave Risley
00:35:33 Rep. Skattum
00:36:01 Rep. Yates

00:36:05 Rep. Peterson returned to the hearing.

00:36:18 Rep. Bangerter
00:36:31 Rep. Kennedy
00:36:52 Rep. Bangerter
00:37:02 Rep. Kennedy
00:37:11 Rep. Bangerter
00:37:21 Rep. Harris
00:37:57 Rep. Bangerter
00:38:05 Rep. Harris
00:38:32 Rep. Bangerter
00:38:56 Rep. Peterson
00:39:13 Dave Risley
00:40:00 Rep. Peterson
00:40:15 Dave Risley
00:40:23 Rep. Peterson
00:40:44 Dave Risley

Closing by Sponsor:

00:40:59 Rep. Bangerter

HEARING ON HB 335

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:42:50 Rep. Mike Menahan (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HB 335, Provide accompaniment penalty in addition to fish & game privilege loss.

00:45:51 Rep. Peterson left the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:48:55 Jim Kropp, FWP
[EXHIBIT\(fih27a02\)](#)
00:50:15 George Golie, MWF

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:51:24 Rep. Kennedy
00:51:42 Rep. Menahan
00:52:07 Rep. Kennedy
00:52:24 Rep. Menahan
00:53:53 Rep. Kennedy
00:54:14 Rep. Menahan
00:54:23 Rep. Skattum
00:54:59 Jim Kropp
00:56:00 Rep. Washburn
00:56:16 Rep. Menahan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:57:54 Rep. Menahan

HEARING ON HB 336

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:58:13 Rep. Mike Menahan (D), HD 82, opened the hearing on HB 336, Revise penalties for waste of game.
00:59:27 Rep. Flynn entered the hearing.
01:02:11 Rep. O'Hara left the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:02:41 Jim Kropp, FWP
[EXHIBIT\(fih27a03\)](#)
01:04:53 George Golie, MWF
01:05:27 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:06:44 Rep. Miller
01:07:15 Rep. Menahan
01:07:29 Rep. Miller
01:07:50 Jim Kropp

01:08:16 Rep. Driscoll
01:08:53 Rep. Menahan
01:09:15 Rep. Connell
01:10:28 Jim Kropp

01:10:57 Rep. Peterson returned to the hearing.

01:11:09 Rep. Connell
01:11:55 Rep. Knudsen
01:13:34 Rep. Menahan
01:14:29 Rep. Flynn
01:15:24 Jim Kropp
01:16:34 Rep. Kennedy
01:17:02 Jim Kropp
01:18:10 Rep. Kennedy
01:18:26 Rep. Menahan
01:18:30 Rep. Kennedy
01:18:36 Rep. Menahan
01:19:33 Rep. Kennedy
01:19:36 Rep. Menahan
01:19:47 Rep. Harris

01:20:41 Rep. O'Hara returned to the hearing.

01:21:20 Rep. Court
01:22:36 Rep. Menahan
01:23:40 Rep. Court
01:23:48 Rep. Menahan

01:23:55 Rep. Flynn left the hearing.

01:24:37 Rep. Loney
01:25:04 Jim Kropp
01:25:30 Rep. Loney
01:25:35 Jim Kropp
01:25:57 Rep. Wilmer
01:26:28 Rep. Menahan
01:27:03 Rep. Wilmer
01:27:24 Rep. Menahan
01:27:27 Hope Stockwell, LSD
01:28:11 Rep. Skattum
01:28:29 Jim Kropp

01:28:37 Rep. Flynn returned to the hearing.

Closing by Sponsor:

01:30:42 Rep. Menahan
01:31:28 Rep. Washburn

ADJOURNMENT

01:31:54 Adjournment

Cara Gold, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

[EXHIBIT\(fih27a04\)](#)

Additional Documents:

[EXHIBIT\(fih27aad.pdf\)](#)