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MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Debby Barrett, on January 19, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Debby Barrett, Chairman (R)
Sen. Greg Hinkle, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)
Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Kevin McCue, Committee Secretary
Sonja Nowakowski, 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: SJ 6, 1/14/2011; SB 9, 1/11/2011; SB 142, 1/11/2011

HEARING ON SJ 6

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:07 Sen. Alan Olson (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SJ 6, Resolution regarding federal land use policy.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:48 Dave Galt, lobbyist, Montana Petroleum Association

EXHIBIT(nas14a01)

00:10:06 Dave Puyear, Executive Director, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

00:14:06 Jim Brown, lobbyist, Montana Wool Growers Association

EXHIBIT(nas14a02)

00:15:48 Shelby DeMars, lobbyist, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)

00:16:25 John Ostlund, Yellowstone County Commissioner, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:16:47 Debbie Shea, lobbyist, Montana Mining Association

00:18:12 Cary Hegreberg, lobbyist, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

00:19:46 Betty Biggs, Gallatin County, self

00:21:21 Jay Bodner, lobbyist, Montana Stockgrowers Association and Montana Public Lands Council

00:23:12 Nicole Rolf, lobbyist, Montana Farm Bureau Association

Opponents' Testimony:

00:25:06 Stan Frasier, self

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:28:05 Sen. Hinkle

00:28:29 Stan Frasier

00:29:37 Sen. Brenden

00:29:53 Stan Frasier

Closing by Sponsor:

00:30:08 Sen. Olson

HEARING ON SB 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:37:11 Sen. Jim Keane (D), SD 38, opened the hearing on SB 9, Authorize use of petroleum mixing zones for petroleum release sites.

EXHIBIT(nas14a03)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:39:58 Ronna Alexander, lobbyist, Montana Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association
00:44:48 Lee Bruner, self
00:46:08 Sandi Olsen, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
00:47:29 Terry Wadsworth, Executive Director, Petroleum Release Compensation Board

Opponents' Testimony:

EXHIBIT(nas14a04)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:48:37 Sen. Tropila
00:49:10 Sandi Olsen, DEQ
00:50:32 Mike Trombetta, DEQ
00:51:59 Sen. Kaufmann
00:52:09 Sandi Olsen

Closing by Sponsor:

00:55:58 Sen. Keane

HEARING ON SB 142

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:58:33 Sen. Debby Barrett (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on SB 142, Revise public notice of predator transplantation.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:03:42 Allen Schallenberger, wildlife biologist and consultant
EXHIBIT(nas14a05)
01:07:09 Kerry White, Citizens for Balanced Use
01:10:16 John Barrows, Executive Director, Montana Newspaper Association
01:13:11 John Ostlund, Yellowstone County Commissioner, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
01:13:42 Jim Brown, lobbyist, Montana Wool Growers Association
01:14:53 Nicole Rolf, lobbyist, Montana Farm Bureau Association
01:15:45 Betty Biggs, Gallatin County, self
01:17:11 Jay Bodner, lobbyist, Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSA)
01:18:28 Shelby DeMars, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)

Opponents' Testimony:

01:19:14 Art Noonan, Deputy Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(nas14a06)

01:25:35 Janet Ellis, lobbyist, Montana Audubon

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:27:25 Sen. Keane

01:27:49 Sen. Barrett

01:28:19 Sen. Tropila

01:29:08 Art Noonan, FWP

01:30:15 Sen. Brenden

01:30:34 Art Noonan

01:30:51 Sen. Hamlett

01:31:20 Art Noonan

01:33:09 Sen. Hinkle

01:33:25 Jay Bodner, MSA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:33:35 Sen. Barrett

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:45:13

Kevin McCue, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nas14aad.pdf](#))