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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Mike Cuffe, on February 20, 2013 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317C
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Cuffe, Chair (R)
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Lea Whitford (D)

Members Excused: Sen. John Brenden (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Christina Butler, Legislative Branch
Catherine Duncan, Legislative Branch
Shawn Graham, OBPP
Tia Hunter, Committee Secretary
Gerry Murphy, OBPP

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:

Aquatic Invasive Species Presentation
DP 51 and DP 52 for Department of Livestock, Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, and Department of Environmental Quality
Department of Environmental Quality - PL 5003
Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks - NP 608, DP 511 amended

00:12:00 Chairman Cuffe

Aquatic Invasive Species Presentation

00:13:24 Ted Dodge, Coordinator, Jefferson River Watershed Council (JRWC)
EXHIBIT(jnh38a01)

00:19:11 Chairman Cuffe
00:19:18 Mr. Dodge, JRWC
00:19:23 Chairman Cuffe
00:19:28 Mr. Dodge, JRWC
00:19:45 Chairman Cuffe
00:19:54 Celestine Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:21:00 Chairman Cuffe
00:21:03 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:23:11 Chairman Cuffe
00:23:16 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:24:51 Chairman Cuffe
00:24:52 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant

EXHIBIT(jnh38a02)

00:28:26 Sen. Rosendale
00:28:34 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:29:10 Sen. Rosendale
00:29:30 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:30:17 Chairman Cuffe
00:30:22 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:30:39 Mr. Dodge, JRWC
00:30:54 Chairman Cuffe
00:31:06 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:31:27 Chairman Cuffe
00:31:28 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:31:34 Sen. Keane
00:31:47 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:32:15 Chairman Cuffe
00:32:26 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:33:22 Chairman Cuffe
00:33:40 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:34:22 Chairman Cuffe
00:34:25 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:34:27 Sen. Keane
00:34:36 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:35:33 Sen. Keane
00:35:48 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:36:26 Sen. Keane
00:36:34 Rep. Ankney left.
00:36:43 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:37:32 Sen. Keane
00:37:41 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:37:51 Sen. Keane
00:37:56 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant

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00:38:07 Chairman Cuffe
00:38:30 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:39:21 Chairman Cuffe
00:39:29 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:40:22 Chairman Cuffe
00:40:26 Ms. Duncan, Invasive Plant Consultant
00:41:04 Ray Beck, Administrator, Conservation and Resource Development Division,
Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
00:42:11 Sen. Keane
00:42:22 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:43:30 Sen. Keane
00:43:56 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:44:08 Sen. Brenden entered.
00:44:20 Chairman Cuffe
00:44:40 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:44:55 Chairman Cuffe
00:44:56 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:45:05 Chairman Cuffe
00:45:08 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:45:11 Chairman Cuffe
00:45:16 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:45:25 Chairman Cuffe
00:45:39 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:45:47 Chairman Cuffe
00:45:57 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:46:08 Chairman Cuffe
00:47:19 Mr. Beck, DNRC
00:47:38 Sen. Keane
00:47:45 Chairman Cuffe
00:47:51 Sen. Keane
00:48:38 Chairman Cuffe
00:50:29 Sen. Rosendale
00:51:10 Chairman Cuffe
00:51:18 Sen. Brenden
00:52:37 Sen. Keane
00:52:50 Chairman Cuffe
00:54:58 Sue Daly, Administrator, Finance Division, Department of Fish, Wildlife, and
Parks (FWP)
00:55:32 Sen. Keane
00:55:38 Ms. Daly, FWP
00:55:48 Chairman Cuffe
00:55:58 Ms. Daly, FWP
00:56:03 Chairman Cuffe
00:56:08 Ms. Daly, FWP
00:56:12 Chairman Cuffe
00:56:48 Sen. Keane
00:56:58 Chairman Cuffe
00:57:13 Mark Aagenes, Conservation Director, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU)
00:58:36 Chairman Cuffe

00:58:54 Mr. Aagenes, MTU
00:59:01 Chairman Cuffe
00:59:03 Sen. Brenden
00:59:53 Chairman Cuffe
01:00:02 Mr. Aagenes, MTU
01:01:00 Chairman Cuffe
01:01:07 Mr. Aagenes, MTU
01:01:12 Chairman Cuffe
01:04:18 Joe Lamson, Deputy Director, DNRC
01:04:49 Chairman Cuffe
01:04:54 Ms. Daly, FWP
01:05:27 Sen. Keane
01:05:50 Chairman Cuffe
01:05:59 Sen. Brenden
01:06:10 Chairman Cuffe

01:06:45 Recessed
01:28:49 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION

01:29:09 **Motion:** Rep. Cuffe moved **APPROVAL OF DECISION PACKAGE 51 AND DECISION PACKAGE 52 - FOR THE DEPARTMENTS OF LIVESTOCK, AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.**

01:29:28 Rep. Ankney returned.

01:29:44 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Brenden and Sen. Rosendale voting no.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

01:30:24 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved **APPROVAL OF PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENT - COUNTY AIR PROGRAM FUNDING INCREASE.** Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Brenden and Sen. Rosendale voting no.

01:31:25 Chairman Cuffe

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS

01:31:55 **Motion:** Rep. Ankney moved **APPROVAL OF NEW PROPOSAL 608 - PARKS EQUIPMENT, ONE-TIME-ONLY.**

Discussion:

01:32:10 Sen. Brenden
01:33:29 Sen. Keane
01:34:43 Rep. Ankney

01:35:48 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Brenden and Sen. Rosendale voting no.

Discussion:

01:36:29 Chairman Cuffe

01:36:32 Sen. Keane

01:37:12 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved **TO APPROVE AND AMEND DECISION PACKAGE 511 TO DECREASE THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS BASE BUDGET BY \$76,221 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND \$74,211 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015, ALL FROM THE GENERAL LICENSE ACCOUNT FOR THE WOLF PROGRAM FUNDING.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

01:37:57 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved **TO APPROVE AND AMEND DECISION PACKAGE 506 - WOLF PROGRAM, BY DECREASING THE WOLF LICENSE ACCOUNT FUNDING BY \$80,925 IN FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND \$90,451 IN FISCAL YEAR 2015, AND INCREASING THE FEDERAL FUNDING BY \$361,263 IN FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND \$278,316 IN FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND REMOVING ALL FULL-TIME-EMPLOYEES REQUESTED.**

Discussion:

01:38:35 Sen. Brenden

01:38:51 Sen. Keane

01:39:19 Sen. Brenden

01:40:02 Christina Butler, Legal Fiscal Division (LFD)

01:41:00 Ken McDonald, Administrator, Wildlife Division, FWP

01:42:17 Sen. Rosendale

01:42:42 Mr. McDonald, FWP

01:42:51 Sen. Rosendale

01:43:04 Mr. McDonald, FWP

01:43:08 Sen. Rosendale

01:43:23 Mr. McDonald, FWP

01:43:51 Sen. Rosendale

01:44:03 Sen. Keane

01:44:12 Chairman Cuffe

01:44:22 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved **TO AMEND THE PREVIOUS MOTION TO MAKE IT ONE-TIME-ONLY.**

Discussion:

01:45:10 Sen. Keane

01:45:32 Ms. Butler, LFD

01:45:58 Sen. Keane **withdrew the previous two motions.** Without objection.

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Discussion:

01:46:08 Sen. Keane
01:46:22 Chairman Cuffe
01:46:50 Tom Livers, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
01:46:55 Chairman Cuffe

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:47:27

Tia Hunter, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jnh38aad.pdf](#))