

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Carl Glimm, on February 13, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 317C
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Carl Glimm, Chair (R)
Sen. John Brenden, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Keane (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Catherine Duncan, Legislative Branch
Stephen Forrest, Legislative Branch
Sam Schaefer, Legislative Branch
Barbara Smith, Legislative Branch
Rita Tenneson, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary: Executive Action

00:00:36 Chairman Glimm

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

00:00:48 **Motion:** Sen. Brenden moved **TO ADOPT THE MOTOR POOL RATES AS PRESENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

Discussion:

00:01:15 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:01:28 Steve Forrest, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
00:01:32 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:01:40 Stephen Forrest, LFD

00:02:21 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON GLOBAL MOTION

00:02:37 Chairman Glimm
00:02:55 Barbara Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh33a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh33a02\)](#)

00:03:20 Chairman Glimm
00:03:35 Barbara Smith, LFD

00:03:54 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Rosendale moved **TO ADOPT THE GLOBAL RATES AS ESTABLISHED BY SECTION A.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion:

00:04:26 Chairman Glimm
00:04:57 Rep. Ellis
00:05:20 Stephen Forrest, LFD

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

00:05:45 Chairman Glimm

00:05:53 **Motion:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved **TO ADOPT PL3003003 ESTABLISH HB2 AUTHORITY FOR SEED MEDIATION.** Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion:

00:07:02 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:07:18 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:07:26 **Motion:** Rep. Ellis moved **TO ADOPT PL3003004 FEES AMENDED BY RULE.**

Discussion:

00:07:39 Rep. Ellis

00:08:03 **Vote:** Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

00:08:21 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Ellis moved **NP6201001 STATEWIDE NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL COORDINATOR (OTO/RST) ONE TIME ONLY BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:09:31 Chairman Glimm
00:09:48 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:09:58 Sen. Brenden
00:10:16 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:10:43 Rep. Ellis
00:10:56 Rep. Ballance

00:11:05 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:11:18 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Rosendale moved **PL3003005 REVERTED NOXIOUS WEED GRANTS BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:11:57 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved that **PL5005004 OPERATING EXPENSES FOR GRAIN SERVICES BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:12:30 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved that **PL5005005 HAIL INSURANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:13:07 **Motion:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved **NP5005002 AGRICULTURE LITERACY PROGRAM BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion

00:13:33 Sen. Brenden
00:13:46 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:14:19 Rep. Ballance
00:14:30 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:14:50 Rep. Ballance
00:15:03 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:15:10 Chairman Glimm
00:15:29 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:15:48 Rep. Ballance
00:16:08 Libbi Lovshin, Department of Agriculture (AGR)

00:17:07 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:17:27 **Motion:** Rep. Ellis moved that **NP6201002 FOOD AND AG DEVELOPMENT CENTERS (OTO/RST) BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:18:39 Sen. Rosendale
00:19:22 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:20:16 Sen. Brenden
00:20:26 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:20:33 Sen. Brenden
00:21:18 Rep. Ballance
00:21:53 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:22:53 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:23:07 **Motion:** Rep. Ballance moved that **NP5005011 COAL SEVERANCE TAX REDUCTION BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:23:35 Rep. Ellis
00:24:01 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:24:16 Rep. Ellis
00:24:40 Rep. Ballance
00:25:15 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:26:02 Rep. Ellis
00:27:10 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:28:29 Rep. Ellis
00:28:48 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:28:54 Rep. Ballance

00:29:27 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:29:40 Chairman Glimm

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK

00:30:22 **Motion:** Sen. Brenden moved **TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK BUDGET AT THE 2014 ACTUAL EXPENDITURE LEVEL LESS ANY GENERAL FUND, EXCEPT FOR THE GENERAL FUND REQUIRED FOR THE MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION PROGRAM. IN ADDITION THE BUDGET WILL INCLUDE \$500,000 LANGUAGE APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE CONDITION THAT FEES ARE ADJUSTED TO RAISE SUCH REVENUE (OTO) BE ADOPTED.**

EXHIBIT(jnh33a03)

Discussion:

00:31:40 Barbara Smith, LFD

EXHIBIT(jnh33a04)

00:34:59 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:35:23 Barbara Smith, LFD
00:35:40 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:37:59 Chairman Glimm

00:38:08 **Motion:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved **THAT ONE ADDITIONAL EGG INSPECTOR BE ADDED IN GREAT FALLS BE ADOPTED.**

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Discussion:

00:38:17 Sen. Brenden
00:38:21 Chairman Glimm
00:38:40 Sen. Brenden
00:39:13 Sen. Rosendale
00:39:26 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:39:44 Sen. Rosendale
00:40:06 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:40:16 Christian MacKay, Director (DOL)
00:41:38 Sen. Brenden
00:41:57 Chairman Glimm

00:42:02 **Without objection, Rep. Mehlhoff withdrew the BE ADOPTED motion.**

00:42:20 Rep. Ballance
00:43:30 Sen. Brenden
00:44:01 Chairman Glimm

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:44:18

Rita Tenneson, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jnh33aad.pdf](#))