

## 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 17, 2015 at 9:30 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:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Barbara Smith, Legislative Branch  
Sam Schaefer, Legislative Branch  
Rita Tenneson, Committee Secretary

**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:** Executive Action HB13; Department of Livestock;  
Department of Natural Resources; Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks

00:00:01 Chairman Glimm

**EXECUTIVE ACTION HB13**

**EXHIBIT(jnh36a01)**

00:01:02 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **ANNUALIZATION OF EXECUTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF HB 13 FOR ALL THE AGENCIES BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:01:36 Sen. Brenden  
00:01:46 Rep. Ellis  
00:02:05 Rep. Ballance  
00:02:50 Sen. Rosendale  
00:03:24 Rep. Ellis  
00:04:04 Sen. Brenden

00:04:11 **Vote:** Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote with Senator Keane, Rep. Ellis and Rep. Mehlhoff voting aye.

00:04:59 **Motion:** Sen. Brenden moved that **WORKER'S COMPENSATION FOR FY2016 AND FY2017 BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:05:10 Barbara Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:05:17 Sen. Brenden  
00:05:26 Rep. Ballance  
00:05:39 Barbara Smith

00:05:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:06:01 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **LONGEVITY IN THE SAME ACCOUNT BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:06:47 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ellis moved that **THE RETIREMENT IN THE SAME ACCOUNT BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried by voice vote with Sen. Brenden voting no.

00:07:20 **Motion/Vote:** Chairman Glimm moved that **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote

**EXECUTIVE ACTION DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK**

000:07:40 Sen. Brenden

00:07:56 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved **TO PUT THE AMOUNT OF \$78,570 FUNDING FOR THE LIVESTOCK MITIGATION BOARD FOR THE 2017 BIENNIUM INTO YESTERDAY'S LIVESTOCK MOTION.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

00:08:44 Rep Ellis  
00:08:49 Chair Glimm  
00:09:00 Sen. Brenden

00:09:24 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved that **PL-2302303 CARDD CONSERVATION DISTRICT 223 PROGRAM AND 2302304 CARDD REGIONAL WATER ADMINISTRATION BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:09:51 **Motion:** Sen. Rosendale moved that **NP-2302305 CARDD MONTANA RURAL WATER (0T0) BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion**

00:10:16 Sen. Brenden  
00:10:39 Steve Wade, Montana Rural Water Systems (MRWS)  
**EXHIBIT(jnh36a02)**  
00:12:53 Sen Brenden  
00:13:27 Sen. Keane

00:13:47 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:13:55 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved that **PL-2302309 SHERIDAN COUNTY GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM EXPENSES FOR \$10,000 BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:14:30 Sen. Keane

00:14:59 **Motion:** Sen. Keane moved that **NP-2302312C SAGE GROUSE OPERATION REQUEST FOR THE SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FOR CONSULTING AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES COMING OUT OF THE OIL AND GAS ACCOUNT BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:15:17 Rep Ellis  
00:15:41 Sen. Keane

00:16:06 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:16:16 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ellis moved that **THE PROGRAM CHANGE AND THE BUDGET ALIGNMENT FOR DNRC BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:16:40 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **PL-2402406 WRD FERC REQUIREMENTS AND SURVEYING BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:17:58 Sen. Keane  
00:18:21 Barbara Smith, LFD  
00:18:32 Sen. Keane

[EXHIBIT\(jnh36a03\)](#)

**Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved **TO ADD TO NP-2302312C THAT THE SAGE GROUSE OPERATION REQUEST BE RESTRICTED BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON FISH WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

00:19:22 **Motion:** Rep. Ballance moved that **PL-2409 GENERAL LICENSE FOR THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:19:36 Barbara Smith, LFD

00:19:46 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:20:01 **Motion:** Rep. Ballance moved that **PL-1000 EXECUTIVE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT BE ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

00:20:34 Sen. Keane

00:20:42 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-2 with Sen. Keane and Rep. Mehlhoff voting no.

00:21:35 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved that **PL-300301 HATCHERY OPERATIONS AND PL300302 AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS) OTO BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:14 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **PL-401 GAME WARDEN OVERTIME BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:20 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ellis moved that **PL-404 FUNDING SWITCH BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:22:38 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **PL-603 SNOWMOBILE EQUIPMENT RST/BIEN BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:23:01 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved that **PL-604 PARK RANGERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND PL-605 OPERATIONS INCREASE BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried 6-1 with Sen. Brenden voting no.

00:23:28 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved that **PL-900901 FWP TECHNOLOGY BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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- 00:24:11 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Mehlhoff moved that **NP-900904 HUNTERS AGAINST HUNGER BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:24:40 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ellis moved that **PL-1201 LEASE PAYMENTS BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:25:16 Barbara Smith, LFD
- 00:25:44 Sen. Brenden
- 00:26:10 Barbara Smith, LFD
- 00:26:16 Sue Daly, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
- 00:26:41 Sen. Brenden
- 00:26:58 Sue Daly, FWP
- 00:27:26 Sen. Brenden
- 00:27:39 Sue Daly, FWP
- 00:27:51 Sen. Keane
- 00:28:15 Sue Daly, FWP
- 00:29:00 Sen. Keane
- 00:29:11 Sue Daly, FWP
- 00:29:32 Sen. Keane
- 00:29:40 Sue Daly, FWP
- 00:29:55 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brenden moved **THE RATES AS PRESENTED BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote  
[EXHIBIT\(jnh36a04\)](#)
- 00:30:41 Chair Glimm
- 00:30:55 **Recess**
- 00:47:54 **Reconvened**
- 00:48:09 **Motion:** Sen. Brenden moved **PL-501 TO REMOVE HUNTING ACCESS PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE FY15 BASE BUDGET LINE ITEM (RST) OTO BE ADOPTED**.
- Discussion:**
- 00:49:05 Rep. Ellis
- 00:49:39 Sen. Brenden
- 00:50:14 Rep. Ellis
- 00:50:37 Sen. Brenden
- 00:51:16 Sen. Rosendale
- 00:51:45 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:52:12 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Keane moved that **N2-504 MANAGEMENT BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- 00:52:21 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ellis moved that **500509 MULE DEER SPENDING BE ADOPTED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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00:52:46	Sen. Keane
00:52:57	Sue Daly, FWP
00:54:07	Sen. Keane
00:54:23	Sue Daly, FWP
00:54:42	Sen. Keane
00:54:58	Sue Daly, FWP
00:55:19	Sen. Keane
00:55:27	Sue Daly, FWP
00:56:09	Sen. Keane
00:56:44	Sue Daly, FWP
00:57:07	Sen. Keane
00:57:25	Sue Daly, FWP
00:57:38	Sen. Keane
00:57:56	Sen. Brenden
00:58:08	Rep. Ballance
00:58:28	Chairman Glimm

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 00:58:57

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Rita Tenneson, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jnh36aad.pdf](#))**