

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Kerry White, on January 18, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kerry White, Chair (R)
Rep. Zach Brown, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Theresa Manzella, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)
Rep. Bob Brown (R)
Rep. Virginia Court (D)
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)
Rep. Mark Noland (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lexi Goble, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, 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 211, 1/13/2017
Executive Action: HB 48, HB 49, HB 53, HB 54, HB 104, HB 107

HEARING ON HB 211**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:52 Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D), HD 23, opened the hearing on HB 211, Require sage grouse population report.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:03 Dave Galt, Montana Petroleum Association (MPA)
00:05:55 Peggy Trenk, Treasure State Resources Association (TSRA)
00:06:41 Tammy Johnson, Montana Mining Association (MMA)
00:07:34 Wilson Ilgenfritz, Montana Wool Growers Association (MWGA)

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:**

00:08:42 Ken McDonald, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:04 Vice Chair Z. Brown left the meeting.
00:09:04 Rep. Curdy
00:09:39 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:10:48 Rep. Flynn
00:11:28 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:12:23 Rep. Flynn
00:12:36 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:12:51 Rep. Flynn
00:13:06 Rep. Hamlett
00:13:52 Rep. Court
00:14:28 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:15:38 Vice Chair Manzella
00:15:53 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:16:43 Vice Chair Manzella
00:17:17 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:18:00 Rep. Flynn
00:18:24 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:18:54 Rep. Court
00:19:23 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:19:58 Chair White
00:20:10 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:20:31 Chair White
00:20:48 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:21:48 Chair White
00:22:55 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:24:43 Chair White
00:26:04 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:26:54 Chair White
00:27:46 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:28:20 Chair White
00:29:02 Rep. Hamlett
00:30:07 Chair White

00:30:32 Rep. Hamlett
00:31:20 Rep. Flynn
00:31:41 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:32:04 Rep. Flynn
00:32:55 Ken McDonald, FWP
00:33:39 Rep. Curdy
00:34:28 Ken McDonald, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:35:25 Rep. Hamlett

00:36:58 Recess
01:02:24 Reconvened
01:02:24 Rep. Windy Boy has left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 48

01:03:15 **Motion:** Rep. B. Brown moved that **HB 48 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:03:52 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
01:04:14 Rep. Flynn

01:04:22 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 49

01:05:02 **Motion:** Rep. B. Brown moved that **HB 49 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

01:05:13 Rep. Galt
01:06:17 Rep. B. Brown

01:06:37 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Galt moved that **HB 49 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(nah13a01)

01:07:17 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. B. Brown moved that **HB 49 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 53

01:07:56 Joe Kolman, LSD

01:08:28 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Curdy moved that **HB 53 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 54

- 01:10:30 **Motion:** Rep. Curdy moved that **HB 54 DO PASS.**
- 01:10:35 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Manzella made a substitute motion that **HB 54 BE TABLED.**
- 01:10:52 **Vote:** Motion carried 12-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Court and Rep. Fleming voting no. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 104

- 01:16:21 Joe Kolman, LSD
01:16:27 Chair White
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01:16:53 Chair White
- 01:17:00 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HB 104 DO PASS.**
- 01:18:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HB 104 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried 14-1 by voice vote with Rep. Abbott voting no. Rep. Z. Brown and Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(nah13a02)

- 01:19:05 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HB 104 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

- 01:19:25 Rep. B. Brown
01:19:59 Rep. Flynn
01:20:33 Rep. Abbott
- 01:22:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-2 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott and Rep. Galt voting no. Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 107

- 01:22:45 **Motion:** Rep. Manzella moved that **HB 107 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

- 01:23:00 Rep. Flynn
01:23:14 Chair White
01:24:02 Vice Chair Z. Brown
- 01:26:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Court, Rep. Flynn and Rep. Galt voting no. Rep. Windy Boy voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:30:15

Lexi Goble, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([nah13aad.pdf](#))