

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: Chair Bob Brown, on January 10, 2019 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 172 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bob Brown, Chair (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Zac Perry, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Seth Berglee (R)
Rep. Zach Brown (D)
Rep. Neil Duram (R)
Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D)
Rep. John Fuller (R)
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen (R)
Rep. Joel G. Krautter (R)
Rep. Denley M. Loge (R)
Rep. Tyson T. Runningwolf (D)
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)
Rep. Mark Sweeney (D)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)
Rep. Kerry White (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald, Vice Chair (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch
Hannah Winn, 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:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 43, 1/4/2019; HB 104, 1/4/2019

15:01:52 Chair B. Brown
15:03:02 Recess
15:16:05 Reconvened
15:16:05 Vice Chair Fitzgerald joined the meeting
15:17:11 Chair B. Brown

HEARING ON HB 104

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:17:40 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 104, Free prerequisite licenses for block management cooperators.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:19:20 Brian Ohs, Montana Stockgrowers' Association (MSGA)
15:19:53 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
15:20:08 Nicole Rolf, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF)
15:20:47 Mark Lambrecht, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)
15:21:07 Emily Cooper, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:22:46 Rep. White
15:23:34 Emily Cooper, FWP
15:23:40 Rep. White
15:23:45 Chair B. Brown
15:24:02 Rep. Fuller
15:24:28 Rep. White
15:24:45 Rep. Fuller
15:24:53 Emily Cooper, FWP

15:25:13 Rep. Loge
15:25:44 Ken McDonald, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
15:26:05 Chair B. Brown
15:26:12 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
15:26:23 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:27:00 Chair B. Brown

Closing by Sponsor:

15:27:07 Rep. Loge

HEARING ON HB 43**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:28:04 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 43, Revise landowner elk license laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:31:04 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:34:22 Ben Lamb, MWF
15:34:39 Brian Ohs, MSGA
15:35:15 Nicole Rolf, MFBC
15:36:22 Mark Lambrecht, RMEF

Opponents' Testimony:

15:36:56 Charles Denowh, United Property Owners of Montana (UPOM)

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:38:49 Rep. Vinton
15:39:10 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:39:29 Rep. B. Smith
15:39:46 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:40:13 Rep. White
15:41:53 Charles Denowh, UPOM
15:42:54 Rep. White
15:43:07 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:43:42 Rep. White
15:47:11 Rep. Z. Brown
15:47:41 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:48:36 Rep. Z. Brown
15:48:49 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:49:10 Rep. Z. Brown
15:49:54 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:50:57 Rep. Duram
15:51:19 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:52:23 Rep. Duram
15:52:45 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:52:56 Rep. Z. Brown
15:53:26 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:53:45 Chair. B. Brown
15:54:30 Ken McDonald, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

15:54:40 Rep. Loge

15:57:42 Ken McDonald, FWP
15:57:54 Chair B. Brown
15:58:05 Hope Stockwell, LSD

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 15:58:22

Hannah Winn, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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