

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on March 22, 2019 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 102
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Carl Glimm, Chair (R)
Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Dan Bartel, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Llew Jones, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. David Bedey (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Bill Mercer (R)
Rep. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Mary Caferro (D)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Matt Regier (R)
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Jessica Riffel, Committee Clerk
Stephanie Morrison, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 301, 3/18/2019; HB 341, 3/18/2019; HB 342, 3/18/2019; HB
385, 3/18/2019; HB 608, 3/18/2019
Executive Action: HB 10, HB 301, HB 341, HB 342, HB 555, HB 608

HEARING ON HB 385**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:37:14 Rep. Wylie Galt (R), HD 30, opened the hearing on HB 385, Authorize blackjack to be played in licensed establishments.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

08:38:23 Angela Nunn, Department of Justice (DOJ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

08:39:28 Vice Chair Lynch
08:40:09 Rep. Galt
08:40:15 Rep. Mercer
08:43:32 Angela Nunn, DOJ
08:43:40 Rep. Caferro joined the meeting.
08:44:46 Rep. Woods
08:46:20 Rep. Galt
08:46:24 Rep. Hamlett joined the meeting.
08:46:46 Rep. Woods
08:46:54 Rep. Dudik
08:47:25 Angela Nunn, DOJ
08:48:27 Rep. Holmlund
08:49:15 Angela Nunn, DOJ
08:49:21 Rep. Hamilton
08:51:49 Rep. Galt
08:52:05 Rep. Woods
08:52:59 Rep. Galt
08:53:13 Vice Chair Lynch
08:53:36 Rep. Galt

Closing by Sponsor:

08:54:19 Rep. Galt

HEARING ON HB 301**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

08:54:33 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB 301, Establishing requirements for use of fishing access sites.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

08:58:42 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon

Informational Testimony:

09:01:48 Dustin Temple, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:02:07 Rep. Keane
09:03:07 Dustin Temple, FWP
09:03:43 Rep. Burnett
09:04:32 Dustin Temple, FWP
09:05:05 Rep. Hamilton
09:05:34 Dustin Temple, FWP
09:05:51 Rep. Keane
09:07:35 Dustin Temple, FWP
09:07:49 Chair Ballance
09:08:55 Dustin Temple, FWP
09:09:28 Rep. Hamilton
09:11:03 Rep. Loge

Closing by Sponsor:

09:11:21 Rep. Loge

HEARING ON HB 341**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:13:11 Rep. Bob Brown (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 341, Create GWIP special revenue account.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:15:31 Krista Lee Evans, Senior Water Rights Coalition (SWRC), Association of Gallatin Agricultural Irrigators (AGAI)
09:17:02 Clayton Elliott, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU), Montana Building Association (MBA)
09:17:50 Chelcie Cargill, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF), Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

09:20:05 John Metesh, Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology (MBMG)

[EXHIBIT\(aph59a01\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

09:20:39 Rep. Burnett
09:21:09 John Metesh, MBMG
09:21:48 Rep. Keane
09:21:59 Chair Ballance
09:22:09 John Metesh, MBMG
09:23:08 Rep. Hamilton
09:24:49 John Metesh, MBMG
09:26:23 Rep. Mercer
09:26:41 Rep. Woods
09:27:17 John Metesh, MBMG
09:27:41 Rep. Bedey
09:28:24 John Metesh, MBMG

09:28:46 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting.
09:29:03 Rep. Burnett
09:29:35 John Metesh, MBMG
09:29:55 Rep. E. Moore left the meeting.

Closing by Sponsor:

09:30:55 Rep. B. Brown

HEARING ON HB 342**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:32:50 Rep. Bob Brown (R), HD 13, opened the hearing on HB 342, Create SWAMP special revenue account.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:33:37 Krista Lee Evans, Senior Water Rights Coalition (SWRC), Association of Gallatin Agricultural Irrigators (AGAI)
09:34:46 Rep. Windy Boy joined the meeting.
09:36:30 Chelsica Cargill, Montana Farm Bureau Federation (MFBF), Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA)
09:38:38 Clayton Elliott, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU), Montana Building Association (MBA)

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

09:39:26 John Metesh, Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology (MBMG)

[EXHIBIT\(aph59a02\)](#)**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

09:39:54 Rep. Mercer
09:41:13 John Metesh, MBMG
09:43:23 Rep. Windy Boy
09:44:06 Rep. B. Brown
09:44:47 Chair Ballance
09:44:55 Rep. B. Brown
09:45:14 Rep. Bedey
09:48:25 John Metesh, MBMG
09:49:44 Rep. Holmlund
09:50:24 John Metesh, MBMG
09:50:33 Chair Ballance
09:51:08 John Metesh, MBMG
09:52:22 Chair Glimm

Closing by Sponsor:

09:53:21 Rep. B. Brown

HEARING ON HB 608**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

09:54:11 Rep. Joe Read (R), HD 93, opened the hearing on HB 608, Requiring mandatory AIS decontamination of certain vessels with ballast/bladders.

Proponents' Testimony:

09:55:43 Dustin Temple, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
09:56:06 Colin Cooney, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU)
09:56:31 Erik Hanson, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
09:57:41 Amy Seaman, Montana Audubon

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

09:58:18 Rep. Read

10:00:03 Chair Ballance

10:01:48 Recessed
10:35:38 Reconvened

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 10

10:36:14 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 10 DO PASS.**

10:36:19 **Motion:** Rep. Holmlund moved that **HB 10 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59a03)

Discussion:

10:36:41 Rep. Holmlund

10:38:19 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Hamilton voting no. Rep. E. Moore and Rep. M. Regier voted by proxy.

10:38:52 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 10 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

10:39:02 **Motion:** Rep. Keane moved that **HB 10 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(aph59a04)

Discussion:

10:39:25 Rep. Keane
10:39:33 Chair Ballance
10:39:42 Rep. Keane
10:40:23 Vice Chair Jones
10:40:58 Rep. Regier joined the meeting.

10:41:20 Rep. Holmlund
10:41:39 Rep. Mercer
10:42:15 Chair Ballance
10:45:18 Rep. Holmlund
10:45:50 Rep. Bedey
10:46:10 Chair Ballance
10:47:14 Rep. Caferro
10:49:43 Rep. Hamlett
10:50:58 Chair Ballance
10:51:34 Rep. Keane

10:52:26 **Vote:** Motion failed 11-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Caferro, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Read, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Ryan, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. E. Moore voted by proxy.

Discussion:

10:53:59 Rep. Keane
10:54:09 Rep. Woods
10:54:20 Rep. Burnett
10:54:35 Chair Ballance

10:54:58 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ballance made a motion that **HB 10 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Caferro, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Peppers, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Windy Boy and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. E. Moore was excused.

10:56:39 Rep. Holmlund left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 301

10:56:56 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 301 DO PASS**. Motion carried 16-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Bartel, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hopkins, Rep. Mercer, Rep. M. Regier and Rep. Windy Boy voting no. Rep. Holmlund and Rep. E. Moore voted by proxy.

10:58:21 Rep. E. Moore returned to the meeting.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 341

10:58:29 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 341 DO PASS**. Motion carried 20-2 by voice vote with Rep. Caferro and Rep. Holmlund voting no. Rep. Holmlund voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 342

10:59:08 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 342 DO PASS**. Motion carried 20-2 by voice vote with Rep. Caferro and Rep. Holmlund voting no. Rep. Holmlund voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 608

10:59:38 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 608 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

10:59:52 Rep. Caferro
11:00:10 Rep. Read
11:00:44 Rep. Windy Boy
11:01:15 Rep. Read

11:02:12 **Vote:** Motion carried 18-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Burnett, Rep. Caferro, Rep. Lynch and Rep. M. Regier voting no. Rep. Holmlund voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 555

11:03:10 **Motion:** Rep. Bartel moved that **HB 555 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

Discussion:

11:03:28 Chair Ballance
11:04:16 Rep. Windy Boy
11:04:24 Chair Ballance

11:05:26 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Peppers, Rep. M. Regier, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Holmlund was excused.

11:06:34 Chair Ballance
11:06:54 Rep. Bartel
11:07:24 Rep. Bedey

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:07:42

Jessica Riffel, Clerk

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph59aad.pdf](#))