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MONTANA SENATE 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Jeffrey W. Welborn, on March 13, 2019 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair (R)
Sen. JP Pomnichowski, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. Tom Richmond, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Dick Barrett (D)
Sen. John Esp (R)
Sen. Pat Flowers (D)
Sen. Bruce Gillespie (R)
Sen. Brian Hoven (R)
Sen. Tom Jacobson (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Scott Sales (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jason Mohr, Legislative Branch
Mary Vanderbosch, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 328, 2/28/2019

Executive Action: HB 383 - Be Concurred In

HEARING ON HB 328**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:05:45 Rep. Alan Redfield (R), HD 59, opened the hearing on HB 328, Exempt conservation districts from certain fees.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:07:03 Kevin Dawe, Sweetgrass County Conservation District (SCCD)

15:12:02 Dan Rostad, SCCD

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Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:13:43 Jon Kenning, Water Protection Bureau chief, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:14:05 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:14:34 Mr. Dawe, SCCD

15:16:05 Rep. Redfield

15:16:24 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:16:28 Rep. Redfield

15:16:56 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:17:15 Mr. Kenning, DEQ

15:17:42 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:18:06 Mr. Kenning

15:18:36 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:19:22 Mr. Kenning

15:19:49 Sen. Barrett

15:20:52 Mr. Kenning

15:21:29 Sen. Richmond

15:22:10 Mr. Rostad, SCCD

15:24:55 Sen. Richmond

15:25:28 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:25:36 Mr. Kenning

15:25:44 Sen. Jacobson entered the hearing.

15:26:04 Sen. Flowers

15:26:48 Mr. Kenning

15:27:22 Sen. Flowers

15:27:53 Mr. Kenning

15:28:14 Sen. Flowers

15:28:34 Mr. Kenning

15:29:49 Sen. Gillespie

15:30:40 Mr. Rostad

15:32:35 Sen. Gillespie

15:32:50 Mr. Rostad

15:33:42 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:34:07 Mr. Kenning

Closing by Sponsor:

15:37:13 Rep. Redfield

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 383

15:37:55 Chairman Welborn

15:38:43 **Motion:** Sen. Richmond moved that **HB 383 BE CONCURRED IN.**

Discussion:

15:39:08 Sen. Pomnichowski

15:40:14 Sen. Gillespie

15:40:56 **Vote:** Motion carried 9-3 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Jacobson and Sen. Pomnichowski voting no. Sen. Ankney, Sen. Cohenour and Sen. S. Sales voted by proxy. Sen. Gillespie will carry the bill.

Committee Discussion:

15:42:12 Chairman Welborn

15:42:32 Mary Vandebosch, Committee Secretary

15:43:19 Sen. Barrett

15:44:06 Jason Mohr, Legislative Services Division

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:44 PM

Mary Vandebosch, Secretary

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