

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Steve Gunderson, on April 14, 2021 at 3:40 PM, in Room 172
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Gunderson, Chair (R)
Rep. Willis Curdy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Rhonda Knudsen, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Paul Fielder (R)
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)
Rep. Steven Galloway (R)
Rep. Marty Malone (R)
Rep. Brian Putnam (R)
Rep. Kenneth Walsh (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Robert Farris-Olsen (D)
Rep. Tom France (D)
Rep. Steve Gist (R)
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)
Rep. Mark Noland (R)
Rep. Marvin Weatherwax (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Jacquelynn Bomgardner, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch
Rachael Foe, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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: HJ 37, 4/12/2021

15:41:08 Vice Chair R. Knudsen assumed the Chair.
15:41:26 Rep. Fitzgerald left the meeting.

HEARING ON HJ 37

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:41:35 Rep. Steve Gunderson (R), HD 1, opened the hearing on HJ 37, Study of Lake Kooacanusa selenium standard.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:42:33 Sen. Cuffe
15:43:22 Rep. Marler joined the meeting.
15:43:58 Rep. France joined the meeting.
15:46:36 Rep. Noland joined the meeting.
15:48:09 Director Chris Dorrington, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
15:49:56 Jon Metropoulos, Tech American

Opponents' Testimony:

15:51:10 Martin Charlo, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
15:53:29 Erin Sexton, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
15:55:34 Michael Jamison, National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA)

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Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

15:58:05 Rep. Fielder
15:58:43 Rep. Gunderson
15:58:59 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:00:06 Rep. Fielder
16:00:50 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:01:47 Rep. Marler
16:02:45 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:03:50 Lauren Sullivan, Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
16:04:09 Dr. Mike Suplee, Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
16:04:44 Rep. Marler
16:05:08 Lauren Sullivan, DEQ
16:07:11 Rep. France
16:08:43 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:09:50 Dr. Suplee, DEQ
16:10:24 Rep. France
16:10:47 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:11:47 Vice Chair Curdy
16:12:25 Rep. Gunderson
16:12:50 Rep. Malone
16:13:32 Director Dorrington, DEQ
16:13:49 Rep. Marler
16:17:18 Rep. Gunderson
16:17:35 Vice Chair Curdy

16:19:03 Rep. Gunderson

16:19:41 Rep. France

16:21:19 Rep. Gunderson

Closing by Sponsor:

16:22:35 Rep. Gunderson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 16:27:15

Jacquelynn Bomgardner, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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