

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

**Call to Order:** Chair Steve Hinebauch, on January 26, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present in the Committee Room:**

Sen. Steve Hinebauch, Chair (R)  
Sen. Bob Brown, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Tom Jacobson, Vice Chair (D)  
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)  
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Sen. Greg Hertz (R)

**Members Present by Zoom Video Conference:**

Sen. Pat Flowers (D)  
Sen. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D)

**Members Excused:**

Sen. Jason W. Ellsworth (R)  
Sen. David Howard (R)  
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Izmerai Alvarado, Committee Secretary  
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch  
Heather Van Sandt, 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: SB 111, 1/19/2021; HB 120, 1/22/2021

**HEARING ON HB 120**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:02:35 Rep. Denley Loge (R), HD 14, opened the hearing on HB120, Revising laws related to bonus points.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:05:12 Marcus Strange, Montana Wildlife Federation

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:**

15:06:19 Ron Jendro, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks (FWP)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

15:06:55 Sen. Brown

15:07:30 Mr. Jendro, FWP

**Closing by Sponsor:**

15:08:14 Rep. Loge

**HEARING ON SB 111**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

15:09:05 Sen. Brad Molnar (R), opened the hearing on SB111, Revising laws re conditional hunting permits for disabled persons.

**[EXHIBIT\(fis17a01\)](#)**

**Proponents' Testimony:**

15:26:24 Pete Siegel

15:33:46 Sen. Doug Kary, SD 22

15:36:09 Al Olszewski

15:40:04 Travis Hoffman, Missoula

15:44:06 Tyler Hiltner, Laurel

15:47:31 Beth Breneman, Disability Rights Montana

**Additional Testimony Received:**

**[EXHIBIT\(fis17a02\)](#)**

**Opponents' Testimony:**

15:50:00 Stephen LePage, Montana Bowhunters Association (MBA)

**[EXHIBIT\(fis17a03\)](#)**

15:53:51 Tim Roberts, Traditional Bowhunters of Montana (TBM)

15:56:47 Jerry Davis, MBA

**[EXHIBIT\(fis17a04\)](#)**

16:00:24 Paul Kemper, TBM

16:02:44 June LePage

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a05\)](#)

16:05:42 Mitchell LePage, Lewistown

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a06\)](#)

16:07:28 John B. Sullivan III, Missoula, Montana Chapter of Backcountry Hunters and Anglers

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a07\)](#)

16:08:52 Marcus Strange, Montana Wildlife Federation

16:11:30 Marlon Clapham, MBA

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a08\)](#)

16:15:24 Dan Vermillion, Livingston

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a09\)](#)

16:18:02 Shane Colton, Billings

16:21:16 Mark Schwomeyer

16:23:17 Brian Koelzer, MBA

16:26:40 Steve Kamps

16:29:16 Stephanie Prater, MBA

Additional Testimony Received:

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a10\)](#)

Informational Testimony:

16:33:52 Robert Zink, Walton, NE

[EXHIBIT\(fis17a11\)](#)

16:36:07 Quentin Kujala, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks (FWP)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

16:37:07 Sen. Brown

16:37:55 Mr. Davis, MBA

16:41:39 Sen. Brown

16:42:20 Mr. Davis

16:42:40 Mr. Stephen LaPage, MBA

16:43:57 Sen. Brown

16:43:35 Rep. Loge

16:47:10 Sen. Flowers

16:47:55 Rep. Loge

16:49:01 Sen. Flowers

16:49:44 Rep. Loge

16:51:47 Sen. Flowers

16:52:05 Rep. Loge

16:51:29 Sen. Ellsworth entered the meeting.

16:53:19 Sen. Jacobson  
16:54:03 Mr. Kujala, FWP  
16:54:19 Sen. Jacobson  
16:55:22 Mr. Roberts, TBM  
16:56:20 Sen. Jacobson  
16:57:26 Mr. Kujala  
16:58:22 Sen. Jacobson  
16:58:54 Rep. Loge  
17:00:57 Sen. Hertz  
17:01:19 Mr. Davis  
17:01:55 Sen. Hertz  
17:02:28 Mr. Davis  
17:05:18 Sen. Hertz  
17:05:35 Mr. Davis  
17:06:02 Chair Hinebauch  
17:06:14 Mr. Olszewski  
17:08:27 Chair Hinebauch  
17:06:32 Mr. Olszewski

**Closing by Sponsor:**

17:09:16 Rep. Loge

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 5:15 PM

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([fis17aad.pdf](#))