

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

**Call to Order:** Chair Steve Hinebauch, on March 11, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422  
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. Mark Blasdel (R)  
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  
Alex Colafrancesco, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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**Committee Business Summary:**

Executive Action: SR 62, HB 202, HB 224, HB 225, HB 260, HB 353, SB 208

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 62**

15:01:51 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **SR 62 BE NOT ADOPTED.**

**Discussion:**

15:02:28 Sen. Jacobson

15:02:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson and Sen. McClafferty voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 202**

15:03:58 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 202 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:04:05 Chair Hinebauch

15:04:26 Sen. Cohenour

15:04:46 Sen. Brown

15:05:09 Sen. Flowers

15:05:48 Chair Hinebauch

15:06:05 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jacobson made a substitute motion that **HB 202 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan were excused.

15:06:48 Sen. Brown

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 224**

15:07:09 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 224 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:07:22 Sen. McClafferty

15:08:07 Chair Hinebauch

15:08:23 Sen. Jacobson

15:09:23 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson and Sen. McClafferty voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy. Sen. Brown will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 225**

15:10:58 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 225 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:11:23 Sen. Jacobson

15:12:04 Sen. Cohenour

15:12:30 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Cohenour, Sen. Flowers, Sen. Jacobson and Sen. McClafferty voting no. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy. Sen. Brown will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 242**

15:13:24 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 242 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:13:40 Sen. Hertz  
 15:13:47 Sen. Brown  
 15:14:08 Chair Hinebauch  
 15:14:35 Sen. Cohenour  
 15:15:25 Sen. Hertz  
 15:16:19 Sen. Jacobson  
 15:17:19 Chair Hinebauch  
 15:17:31 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

15:17:37 **Motion:** Sen. Jacobson moved that **HB 242 BE AMENDED CONCEPTUALLY.**

**Discussion:**

15:18:10 Mr. Kolman, LSD  
 15:18:15 Sen. Brown  
  
 15:18:29 Sen. Brown withdrew the BE CONCURRED IN motion.  
  
 15:18:48 Sen. Hertz  
 15:19:10 Sen. Jacobson  
 15:20:12 Sen. Brown  
 15:20:23 Chair Hinebauch

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 260**

15:20:49 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 260 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:21:37 Sen. Jacobson  
  
 15:21:51 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan were excused. Sen. Hertz will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 353**

15:22:21 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **HB 353 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

15:23:38 Sen. Jacobson  
  
 15:24:02 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan were excused. Sen. Hinebauch will carry the bill.

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 208**

15:24:54 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 208 DO PASS.**

15:25:05 **Motion:** Sen. Brown moved that **SB 208 BE AMENDED.**  
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**Discussion:**

15:26:21 Sen. Cohenour  
 15:27:35 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
 15:28:12 Sen. Brown  
 15:28:46 Mr. Kolman, LSD  
 15:29:08 Sen. Hertz  
 15:29:33 Sen. Cohenour  
 15:30:30 Mr. Kolman  
 15:30:50 Sen. Hertz  
 15:31:04 Mr. Kolman  
 15:31:10 Chair Hinebauch

15:31:31 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan were excused.

15:31:57 **Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 208 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

15:32:12 Sen. Brown

15:32:47 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel, Sen. Ellsworth, Sen. Howard and Sen. Keenan were excused.

**Discussion on SB 255:**

15:33:26 Chair Hinebauch  
 15:33:45 Sen. Flowers  
 15:35:13 Chair Hinebauch  
 15:35:25 Sen. Brown  
 15:35:37 Chair Hinebauch

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 3:36PM

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Izmerai Alvarado, Secretary

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