

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON (H) JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Rep. Jerry Schillinger-R, on January 26, 2023 at 9:06 AM, in 317 C

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Jerry Schillinger, Chair (R)
Sen. Jeffrey Welborn, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Kenneth Bogner (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Lyn Hellegaard (R)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Rep. Sharon Stewart Peregoy (D)

Staff Present: Jason Harlow, OBPP Staffer
Alice Hecht, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Christine Hultin, OBPP Staffer
Robert Miller, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Kathlyn Walker, Secretary

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:

Executive Action:

09:06:41 Chair Schillinger

09:07:03 Rob Miller, Legislative Fiscal Analyst,
Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

09:09:30 Sen. Ellis

09:09:44 Rob Miller, LFD

09:10:10 Amanda Kaster, Director, Department of
Natural Resources and Transportation (DNRC)

09:17:18 Wyatt Frampton, Acting Deputy Administrator,
Forestry Division, Department of Natural
Resources and Transportation
(DNRC)EXHIBIT

09:18:10 Sen. Bogner left the meeting.

09:35:49 Michael Freeman, Natural Resources Policy
Advisor, Governor's Office

09:38:34 Chair Schillinger

09:38:41 Rep. Read

09:39:50 Chair Schillinger

09:40:23 Michael Freeman, DNRC

09:40:34 Amanda Kaster, DNRC

09:42:25 Jason Todhunter, Montana Logging
Association (MLA)

09:48:28 Blake Henning, Chief Conservation Officer,
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF)

09:52:43 Chair Schillinger

09:52:43 Rep. Read left the meeting.

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09:53:00	Vice Chair Welborn left the meeting.
09:54:43	Jason Todhunter, MLA
09:56:36	Chair Schillinger
09:56:49	Rep. Hellegaard
09:58:27	Jason Todhunter, MLA
09:58:32	Paul McKenzie, Vice President, General Manager, FH Stoltze Land and Lumber
10:03:51	Rich Cowger, Fire Chief, President, Montana Fire Alliance
10:11:39	Amanda Kaster, DNRC
10:14:41	Clayton Elliot, Montana Trout Unlimited
10:15:27	Noah Marion, Wild Montana
10:16:31	Chair Schillinger
10:17:10	Julia Altemus, Montana Products Association
10:20:12	Amanda Kaster, DNRC
10:21:58	Chair Schillinger
10:22:35	Rob Miller, LFD
10:23:45	Chair Schillinger

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:23:57

Kathlyn Walker, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230126JNHaad\)](#)