

**MINUTES**  
**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**  
**COMMITTEE ON (H) FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Ross Fitzgerald-R, on April 20, 2023 at 4:02 PM, in Room 172

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Rep. Ross Fitzgerald, Chair (R)  
Rep. Tom France, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Jedediah Hinkle, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Denise Baum (D)  
Rep. Edward Butcher (R)  
Rep. Lee Deming (R)  
Rep. Neil Duram (R)  
Rep. Paul Fielder (R)  
Rep. Jonathan Karlen (D)  
Rep. Marilyn Marler (D)  
Rep. Eric Matthews (D)  
Rep. Russel Miner (R)  
Rep. Gary Parry (R)  
Rep. Bob Phalen (R)  
Rep. Tyson Running Wolf (D)  
Rep. Tanner Smith (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Brandon Ler (R)  
Rep. Denley Loge (R)  
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

**Staff Present:** Toni Henneman, Research Analyst  
LJ Jennings, Secretary  
Rolf Johnson, 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:

Executive Action:

SB 298 TO TABLE

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 298 - Revise laws related to hunting by disabled persons**

16:04:25 **Motion:** Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle moved that **SB 298 BE CONCURRED IN.**

**Discussion:**

16:05:04 Rep. Edward Butcher

16:05:50 Rep. Neil Duram

16:06:37 Vice Chair Tom France

16:07:22 Rep. Jonathan Karlen

16:08:05 Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle

16:08:53 Rep. Denley Loge joined the meeting.

16:10:22 Rep. Denise Baum

16:12:18 Rep. Paul Fielder

16:13:24 Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle

16:13:49 Rep. Paul Fielder

16:14:38 Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle

16:15:08 Rep. Paul Fielder

16:16:11 Rep. Tanner Smith

16:16:48 Rep. Edward Butcher

16:04:25 **Vote:** Motion failed 13 - 6 by roll call vote with Rep. Deming, Rep. Duram, Rep. Hinkle, Rep. Karlen, Rep. Loge, Rep. Matthews, voting yes.

16:19:01 **Motion:** Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle moved that **SB 298 TO TABLE.**

16:19:01 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

16:19:38 **Committee Discussion:** Reminder of Committee Dinner

16:19:58 Vice Chair Jedediah Hinkle

16:20:14 Chair Ross Fitzgerald

16:20:40 Rep. Bob Phalen

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 16:20:59

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LJ Jennings, Secretary

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