

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Call to Order: By **VICE CHAIRMAN REP. PAUL CLARK**, on March 3, 2005 at 3:45 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Paul Clark, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Scott Sales, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. John Balyeat (R)
Rep. Arlene Becker (D)
Rep. Dee L. Brown (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Rep. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Tom Facey (D)
Rep. George G. Groesbeck (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Larry Jent (D)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Roger Koopman (R)
Rep. Mike Milburn (R)
Rep. Art Noonan (D)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)
Rep. Bill Warden (R)

Members Excused: Rep. George Golie, Chairman (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch
Audio Technician

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 55, 2/22/2005; SB 76, 2/22/2005;
SB 91, 2/22/2005

Executive Action:

HEARING ON SB 91

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:27 SEN. FRANK SMITH (D), SD 16, opened the hearing on SB 91, Allocation of special wild buffalo licenses to Montana Indian tribes.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:50 Dan Antonietti, State Affairs, Veterans of Foreign Wars

00:04:37 Michael DesRosier, Country Commissioner, Blackfeet Tribe

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:05:33 Larry Peterman, Chief of Field Operations, Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

EXHIBIT (fih47a01)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:58 REP. ROBERTS

00:07:38 REP. WARD

00:11:12 REP. WARDEN

00:12:45 VICE CHAIR CLARK

00:18:34 REP. MILBURN

Closing by Sponsor:

00:21:17 SEN. FRANK SMITH (D), SD 16 closed the hearing on SB 91.

00:22:20 REP. GOLIE arrived at hearing.

HEARING ON SB 76

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:22:35 SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 76, Allow limited development of Lost Creek state park for camp host pad.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:26:14 Doug Monger, Administrator of the Parks Division,
Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

[EXHIBIT\(fih47a02\)](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:28:03 REP. WARD
00:31:19 REP. BROWN
00:40:14 VICE CHAIR CLARK

Closing by Sponsor:

00:44:41 SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D), SD 43 closed the hearing
on SB 76.

HEARING ON SB 55

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:47:34 SEN. BILL TASH (R), SD 36, opened the hearing on
SB 55, Clarify free conservation license for
active duty National Guard and Reservists.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:50:30 Col. Brad Livingston, Chief of Staff, Air National
Guard
00:51:47 Roger Hagan, Montana Enlisted & Officer
Associations of the National Guard
00:54:51 Col. Jim Jacobson, U.S. Army, (retired)
Legislative Chairman of the American Legion
00:55:42 Dan Antonietti, State Legislative Chairman,
Veterans of Foreign Wars

[EXHIBIT\(fih47a03\)](#) [National Guard Information Sheet](#)

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

00:56:43 Larry Peterman, Chief of Field Operations, Fish,
Wildlife & Parks

[EXHIBIT\(fih47a04\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:54 REP. KOOPMAN
01:01:47 REP. BECKER

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:22 **SEN. BILL TASH (R), SD 36** closed the hearing on **SB 55**.

Discussion on HB 172:

01:05:28 **REP. COHENOUR**

EXHIBIT(fih47a05)

01:07:36

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

REP. GEORGE GOLIE, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([fi47aad0.PDF](#))