HOUSE BILL NO. 33

INTRODUCED BY O'KEEFE

IN THE HOUSE

| DECEMBER 27, 1990 | INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FISH & GAME. |
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| JANUARY 7, 1991 | FIRST READING. |
| JANUARY 23, 1991 | COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED. |
| JANUARY 24, 1991 | PRINTING REPORT. |
| JANUARY 26, 1991 | SECOND READING, DO PASS AS AMENDED. |
| JANUARY 28, 1991 | ENGROSSING REPORT. |
| JANUARY 30, 1991 | THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 78; NOES, 19. |
| | TRANSMITTED TO SENATE. |
| IN | THE SENATE |
| JANUARY 31, 1991 | INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FISH & GAME. |
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| FEBRUARY 16, 1991 | COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED. |
| MARCH 5, 1991 | SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN. |
| | ON MOTION, SEGREGATED FROM COMMITTEE OF WHOLE REPORT. |
| MARCH 6, 1991 | SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. |
| MARCH 7, 1991 | THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 49; NOES, 0. |
| | RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS. |

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| MARCH 7, 1991 | RECEIVED FROM SENATE. |
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| MARCH 16, 1991 | SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS NOT CONCURRED IN. |
| | ON MOTION, FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REQUESTED AND APPOINTED. |
| APRIL 19, 1991 | CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTED. |
| APRIL 20, 1991 | SECOND READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED. |
| | IN THE SENATE |
| APRIL 21, 1991 | ON MOTION, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REQUESTED AND APPOINTED. |
| | IN THE HOUSE |
| APRIL 22, 1991 | THIRD READING, CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED. |
| | IN THE SENATE |
| APRIL 23, 1991 | CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED. |
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| APRIL 24, 1991 | SENT TO ENROLLING. |
| | REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED. |
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INTRODUCED BILL
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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0033, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

This legislation: 1) creates the offense of illegal posting of public land; 2) provides that a person who knowingly posts state or federal land as private property or as being closed to hunting or trespassing is guilty of a crime; and 3) provides a penalty for illegal posting.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. There would be no revenue associated with this bill. The Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks has no enforcement authority for Title 45, Chapter 8, MCA, and there is no impact on other state agencies.
- 2. The department will receive the majority of complaints statewide and will need to refer some complaints to proper authorities.
- 3. Some complaints will occur year around, but most will occur during hunting season.
- 4. Department wardens currently are unable to handle all complaints received during hunting season.
- 5. Assume that the department will receive an average of three (3) calls per county per week during September, October and November. Each call will require 15 minutes to respond to. (56 counties x 3 calls x 12 weeks = 2,016 calls)
- 6. The increased workload will require an additional 0.25 FTE and \$9,459 per year as detailed below based upon average warden costs: personal services \$6,834, operations and equipment \$2,625, for total increased expenditures of \$9,459 per year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks:

| <u>Expenditures:</u> | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| | | FY '92 | | | FY '93 | |
| | Current Law | Proposed Law | Difference | Current Law | Proposed Law | Difference |
| Personal Services | 0 | 6,834 | 6,834 | 0 | 6,834 | 6,834 |
| Operating Expenses | 0 | 2,625 | 2,625 | 0 | 2,625 _ | 2,625 |
| Total | 0 | 9,459 | 9,459 | 0 | 9,459 | 9,459 |
| Funding: | | | | | | |
| State Spec Rev. (Gen Lic Acct) | 0 | 9,459 | 9,459 | 0 | 9,459 | 9,459 |
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RÓD SUNDSTED, BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Fiscal Note for HB0033, as introduced

APPROVED BY COMM. ON FISH AND GAME

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SECOND READING

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Page 1 of 1 February 16, 1991

MR. PRESIDENT: 4

We, your committee on Fish and Game having had under consideration House Bill No. 33 (first reading copy -- white), respectfully report that House Bill No. 33 be amended and as so amended do pass:

1. Title, line 5. Strike: "PUBLIC"

Insert: "STATE AND FEDERAL"

2. Page 1, line 11. Strike: "public"

Insert: "state and federal"

3. Page 1, line 13. Strike: "public"

Insert: "state or federal"

4. Page 1, lines 15 and 16.

Strike: "PUBLIC" on line 15 through "LANDS" on line 16

Insert: "state or federal land"

5. Page 1, line 20. Strike: "public"

Insert: "state or federal"

Bob Williams, Chairman

Jac 2-16-91 And. Coord. <u>5B 3-16</u> 12:15 Sec. of Senate

HB 33 SENATE

SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT

March 6, 1991 9:14 am Mr. Chairman: I move to amend House Bill No. 33 (third reading copy -- blue) as follows:

1. Title, line 8. Following: "CRIME;"
Insert: "PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION;"

2. Page 1, line 20. Following: line 19

Insert: "(2) The provisions of subsection (1) do not apply to the
 posting of state lands by the leaseholder."
Renumber: subsequent subsection

ADOPT

REJECT

Signed: Separor Aklestad

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NEW SECTION. Section 2. Codification

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THIRD READING
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| 22 | (2) THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) DO NOT APPLY TO |
| 23 | THE POSTING OF STATE LANDS BY THE LEASEHOLDER. |
| 24 | (2)(3) A person convicted of illegal posting of public |
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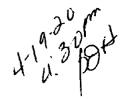
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Free Conference Committee on House Bill 33 Report No. 1, April 19, 1991



Page 1 of 1

Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

We, your Free Conference Committee met and considered House Bill 33 and recommend that House Bill 33 (reference copy -- salmon) be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 8.

Strike: "PROVIDING AN EXCEPTION;"

2. Page 1, lines 22 and 23.

Strike: subsection (2) in its entirety

Renumber: subsequent subsection

And this Free Conference Committee report be adopted.

For the House:

For the Senate:

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Rep. Spring

Sen. Bianchi

Sen. Grosfield

ADOPT

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