

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN TOM ZOOK**, on January 15, 1997, at 2:00 p.m., in Room 312.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Tom Zook, Chairman (R)
Rep. Edward J. "Ed" Grady, Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)
Rep. Joe Quilici, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Ernest Bergsagel (R)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Rep. Roger DeBruycker (R)
Rep. Gary Feland (R)
Rep. Don Holland (R)
Rep. John Johnson (D)
Rep. Royal C. Johnson (R)
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten (R)
Rep. Bob Keenan (R)
Rep. Matt McCann (D)
Rep. William T. "Red" Menahan (D)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)
Rep. William R. Wiseman (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Rep. Steve Vick (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division
Marjorie Peterson, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: HB 110 DO PASS

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 110

CHAIRMAN TOM ZOOK opened the hearing on HB 110, the Natural Resource Damage Litigation with ARCO on the Clark Fork River.

Motion/Vote: **VICE-CHAIRMAN ED GRADY** moved to reconsider HB 110. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: **REP. RED MENAHAN MOVED HB 110 DO PASS.**
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Discussion: REP. ROYAL JOHNSON offered an amendment to HB 110 and discussed the support of resolving the lawsuit with ARCO. Discussion followed with the committee members and Greg Petesch, Legislative Services Division, and Chris Tweeten, Chief Deputy Attorney General.

Motion/Vote: REP. ROYAL JOHNSON MOVED HB 110 AMENDMENT DO PASS.

Motion carried 14 - 2.

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Motion/Vote: REP. RED MENAHAN MOVED HB 110 DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Motion carried 12 - 4.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:30 p.m.



REP. TOM ZOOK, Chairman



MARJORIE PETERSON, Secretary

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