

MINUTES
FISH AND GAME COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

April 6, 1977

The twenty-seventh meeting of the Fish and Game Committee was called to order by Chairman Dunkle at 8:00 A.M., in Room 405 of the State Capitol Building, in Executive Session.

ROLL CALL: All members were present, with the exception of Senators Warden and Galt, who were excused.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 791, an act to make the Department head of the Department of Fish and Game a Director appointed by the Governor; to remove certain qualifications for the Director of the Department of Fish and Game; to re-allocate certain functions of the State Fish and Game Commission to the Department of Fish and Game; to state the powers of the State Fish and Game Commission; to provide a grievance procedure for employees of the Department of Fish and Game, and to change the name of the State Fish and Game Commission, along with providing an immediate effective date.

The proposed amendments were distributed and discussed. (Attachment #1).

Senator Lowe made a motion to adopt the amendments presented. Senator Bergren seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Senator Dunkle asked for questions. Senator Manley questioned game ranges and game farms, and Senator Dunkle said that section was untouched.

DISPOSITION OF HB 791: Senator Manley made a motion that HB 791 BE CONCURRED IN, AS AMENDED. The motion was seconded by Senator Lowe and passed unanimously.

Senator Manley requested a more detailed budget of the Montana Department of Fish and Game, saying he wanted to

know exactly where the money comes from.

Senator Dunkle said he would carry the bill on the floor.

Senator Dunkle wanted it recorded that the proposed amendments of Mr. Jack Cohn were presented, and the committee did not want to consider them.

DISCUSSION OF FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT BUDGET:

Senator Manley wanted to know just what general fund money goes to the department, along with what taxes, etc. from parks and recreation areas go to them.

Senator Dunkle asked Legislative Researcher Debbie Schmidt to find out the cost of the department magazine and ask for the Education and Information budget figures which will indicate film production.

Senator Lowe asked that the Sportsman's License income be included in the report.

Senator Bergren requested the budget for the Fisheries Division.

Senator Manley said if the Fish and Game Department is using taxpayers' money, it should not be biased.

Debbie Schmidt suggested that the Fiscal Analyst be present when the committee discusses the budget.

Senator Manley requested that the committee have this information several days in advance of the meeting for review.

Debbie Schmidt agreed to obtain all of the budget information requested, including information on the last biennium, and money spent for the purchase of land, which Senator Manley indicated he would like.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Chairman Dunkle adjourned the meeting at 8:50 A.M.


SENATOR FRANK DUNKLE, CHAIRMAN

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6,

1977

PRESIDENT

MR.

FISH AND GAME

We, your committee on of the
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having had under consideration HOUSE Bill No. 791

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE Bill No. 791,

third reading bill, be amended as follows:

1. Amend page 9, section 7, line 18.

Following: "Department"

Insert: "and commission"

2. Amend page 9, section 7, line 21.

Following: "department"

Insert: ", with the consent of the commission"

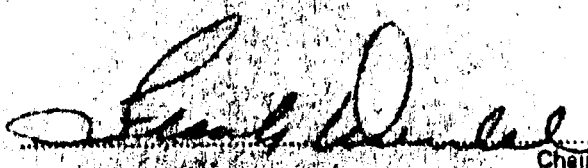
3. Amend page 9, section 7, line 23.

Following: "authority"

Strike: "of"

Insert: "or"

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Chairman.

House Bill 791, continued
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4. Amend page 10, section 7, line 1.

Following: "department"

Insert: ", with the consent of the commission"

5. Amend page 10, section 7, line 11.

Following: "department."

Strike: "The"

Insert: "Upon concurrence of the commission, the"

6. Amend page 10, section 7, line 20.

Following: "department"

Insert: ", with the consent of the commission"

7. Amend page 20, section 16, line 17.

Following: ","

Strike: "and"

8. Amend page 20, section 16, line 19.

Following: "office"

Strike: ","

Insert: "," and"

9. Amend page 20, section 16, line 20.

Following: line 19

Insert: "(7) review and approve construction projects whose estimated cost is more than \$1,000 but less than \$5,000."

AND AS SO AMENDED, BE CONCURRED IN


SENATOR FRANK DUNKLE, CHAIRMAN

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HB 791

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

| | Wildlife Program FY-78 | FY-79 | Fish Program FY-78 | FY-79 | Parks & Recreation FY-78 | FY-79 | Administration FY-78 | FY-79 |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Personal Services | \$3,414,049 | \$3,510,975 | \$2,461,873 | \$2,503,581 | \$1,268,873 | \$1,267,990 | \$113,507 | \$115,329 |
| Contracted Services | 480,627 | 500,061 | 380,349 | 408,648 | | | 18,070 | 19,907 |
| Supplies & Materials | 239,776 | 255,735 | 282,498 | 311,676 | | | 1,804 | 2,026 |
| Communications & Transp. | 204,541 | 253,591 | 72,434 | 92,726 | | | 2,440 | 2,220 |
| Travel | 718,020 | 788,310 | 447,544 | 508,053 | | | 19,780 | 22,748 |
| Rent | 288,245 | 301,486 | 79,963 | 85,054 | | | 9,460 | 10,346 |
| Utilities | 42,261 | 49,182 | 45,150 | 53,942 | | | | |
| Repairs & Maintenance | 92,031 | 101,426 | 60,142 | 68,499 | | | 247 | 301 |
| Other Expenses | 96,813 | 92,348 | 28,633 | 28,227 | | | 2,150 | 2,150 |
| Total Operating Exp. | 2,162,314 | 2,342,139 | 1,396,713 | 1,556,825 | 594,017 | 702,311 | 53,951 | 60,698 |
| Equipment | 109,861 | 100,091 | 107,297 | 90,800 | 26,858 | 30,084 | | |
| Total Operating Costs | 5,686,224 | 5,953,205 | 3,965,883 | 4,151,206 | 1,889,748 | 2,000,385 | 167,458 | 176,021 |
| Capital Outlay | 338,912 | 68,461 | | | | | | |
| Grants | 213,370 | 216,840 | 16,000 | 16,000 | | | | |
| TOTAL PROGRAM | \$6,238,506 | \$6,238,506 | \$3,981,883 | \$4,167,206 | \$1,889,748 | \$2,000,385 | \$167,458 | \$176,021 |

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HOUSE BILL 791

1. Amend page 1, title, line 15.
Change: "26-107" to "26-109"
2. Amend page 2, title, line 8
Strike: "26-106,"
3. Amend page 7, Section 5, lines 22 through 25.
Strike: lines 22 through 25 in their entirety
4. Amend page 8, Section 5, lines 1 through 19.
Strike: lines 1 through 19 in their entirety
5. Amend page 18, Section 13, line 10.
Strike: "26-108,"
6. Amend page 19, Section 15, line 24.
Strike: "26-106,"

HOUSE BILL 791

1. Amend page 5, Section 4, line 8.

Following: "CONSENT"

Insert: "AND APPROVAL"

2. Amend page 5, Section 4, line 11.

Following: "department"

Insert: ", with the consent and approval of the
commission,"

3. Amend page 6, Section 4, line 2.

Following: "CONSENT"

Insert: "AND APPROVAL"

4. Amend page 7, Section 4, line 12.

Following: "CONSENT"

Insert: "AND APPROVAL"

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Jack Collier

HOUSE BILL 791

1. Amend page 1, title, line 14.
Strike: "26-104,"
2. Amend page 1, title, line 16.
Strike: "26-121,"
3. Amend page 18, Section 13, line 10.
Strike: "26-104,"
4. Amend page 18, Section 13, line 11.
Strike: "26-121,"