

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
FISH AND GAME COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

March 26, 1985

The fifteenth meeting of the Senate Fish and Game Committee was called to order at 12:30 P.M. on March 26, 1985 by Chairman Max Conover in Room 402 of the Capitol Building.

ROLL CALL: All members were present, with Senator Severson and Senator Smith arriving late.

ACTION ON HB 282: Senator Jacobson made a MOTION THAT HB 282 BE CONCURRED IN.

Senator Yellowtail said he thought it was a nice idea to make some effort to improve the situation of the mountain sheep. Although he feels there has to be some other way that is less distasteful than something like this that just caters to the rich. The testimony indicated that this has the potential of a double income tax right-off for some rich guy. The proposal to raise the fee for licenses across the board is something he could go along with.

Senator Anderson said he couldn't visualize this being a right-off on income tax.

Senator Yellowtail said the testimony was that a person pays whatever that person pays for this and then could right it off from their tax as a donation.

Senator Jacobson said she could understand Senator Yellowtail's feelings about this. Her feelings are that there are surrounding states that are doing just this and money is being raised for the benefit of the mountain sheep.

Tony Schoonan said we would like to have reviewed that about the double income tax right-off but we did not and as a result do not know whether you can take it off or not. He does not think you can do that twice. The funds are not available now to study the sheep habitat without going this route. It would take years and years. The sportsmen do try to pay their fair share but it just isn't enough. These are rich people that if they don't spend their money here they would spend it elsewhere for a tax write-off.

A roll call vote was taken on Senator Jacobson's motion. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 6-1. See attached roll call vote sheet.

ACTION ON HB 763: Senator Jacobson asked Andi Merrill to read the suggested amendment to the statement of intent concerning the negotiations between the park service and the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

Andi Merrill read the statement that is on the attached standing committee report on HB 763.

Senator Yellowtail made a MOTION THAT THE AMENDMENT SUGGESTED BY SENATOR JACOBSON BE ADOPTED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Senator Jacobson made a motion that HB 763 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.

Senator Smith said he is not totally opposed to this bill but the Director of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks has indicated this could be handled with the rules they have now. He said sometimes the legislature thinks if they pass a bill it will solve the problem and of course this is not always true. If this could be handled without a law, and we have been assured that it would be handled, then why do we need to pass a law.

Senator Jacobson said if we pass the bill the fees from the permits would pay for most of the cost of the control of the buffalo. Mr. Flynn said it would take 18 months to get started with this and she would hope the bill would encourage them to get started a little sooner.

Senator Conover said if we don't pass the bill and do as Senator Smith suggests, then all we will receive is a \$2 fee for the permits. With the bill they would get \$200 for a resident license. That is the difference between passing and not passing the bill.

Senator Smith said if you put it up for the drawing at \$2 per license you will probably get more money than at the \$200 per license.

A roll call vote was taken on Senator Jacobson's motion. THE MOTION PASSED WITH A VOTE OF 5-2. See attached roll call vote.

ACTION ON HB 764: Senator Jacobson said she has talked to Representative Harp about this bill several times and she also has talked with Jim Flynn. She said she thinks this is important that these people be allowed, within the constraints of their disability, to hunt.

Senator Smith made a MOTION THAT HB 764 BE CONCURRED IN. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH MEMBERS PRESENT. Senator Severson had not arrived at the hearing as yet.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 770: Representative Ream, District 54, presented this bill to the committee. He stated this bill was introduced as a way of restricting the introduction of exotic wildlife, that is wildlife species that are not native to Montana, and to provide a mechanism whereby the Department can keep a control of these animals. There have been some serious problems in the United States and all over the world with the introduction of species that are not native to a particular area.

Chairman Conover asked for proponents.

Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, gave testimony in support of this bill. A copy of his testimony is attached as Exhibit 1.

Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Council, said the Department of Agriculture has a law that restricts the introduction of plants into the state and this is also important as far as wildlife goes. Everybody knows the problem of the knapweed and we do not want a problem like this. She stated some problems that have come about from the introduction of animals to a different environment. She furnished the committee with an amendment to the bill which is attached as Exhibit 2. She stated she thinks this is a positive bill and as Montana continues to grow there are bound to be problems with people trying to introduce wildlife into the state and this will allow them to plan ahead as much as possible.

Lorna Frank, representing the Montana Farm Bureau, gave testimony in support of this bill. A copy of her testimony is attached as Exhibit 3.

Chris Hunter, American Fisheries Society, supports this bill. This bill establishes a systematic approach that will insure that all information will be reviewed before introduction is made.

Tony Schoonen, Montana Wildlife Federation, supports this bill. A copy of his testimony is attached as Exhibit 4.

Stuart Doggett, Montana Stockgrowers Association, supports this bill.

Don McKamey, Montana Woolgrowers Association, would strongly urge support of this bill.

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Cary B. Lund, President, Montana Audubon Society in Helena, supports this bill on behalf of the membership.

There were no opponents. Chairman Conover opened the hearing for questions from the committee.

Senator Anderson asked Jim Flynn if there were many mute swan around that he had referred to in his testimony.

Mr. Flynn said there are enough around to be of some concern but he does not think a major problem at this time. He said their primary concern is in the Yellowstone system around Livingston.

Senator Smith asked what control measure the Fish and Game Department was using at the present time.

Mr. Flynn said at the present time we do not have the authority to do anything directly.

Senator Jacobson asked Mr. Flynn to comment on the amendments.

Mr. Flynn said he had been told that the attorneys in his office concur in the amendments.

Senator Jacobson said it means that you have to go through a public hearing.

Mr. Flynn said he has no problem with that.

Representative Ream closed by stating he sees this as a preventive mechanism for preventing problems in the future.

CONSIDERATION OF HJR 36: Representative Grady, District 47, said this resolution is the result of two bills that were introduced in the House Fish and Game Committee and voted down until this study can be done. It was the feeling of the committee that more study should be taken into the problem of game damage because it is becoming a multi million dollar cost to the agriculture community and other people in the state.

Chairman Conover opened the hearing for proponents.

Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, gave testimony in support of this bill. A copy of his testimony is attached as Exhibit 5.

Hal Price, Montana Wildlife Federation, supports this bill. A copy of his testimony is attached as Exhibit 6.

Robert VanDerVere supports this bill.

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Lorna Frank, Montana Farm Bureau Federation, supports this bill. A copy of her statement is attached as Exhibit 7.

Ann Humphrey, Montana Audubon Council, supports this bill. She stated we recognize there is a problem and it is in the best interest of the wildlife and the landowner to work the problem out. We support the study because there is no clear cut solution. They would urge the committee to consider long term solutions to the problem.

Stuart Doggett, Association of Grazing Districts, supports this bill.

Don McKamey, Montana Woolgrowers Association, supports this bill. He noted that with the mild winters the last few years, the game population has been very high. The results have been a lot of game damage within the state.

Tony Schoonen, representing the Skyline Sportsmen of Butte, is in support of this study because there is a big problem and we are in support of anything that would create better land owner/sportsmen relations.

There were no opponents.

Chairman Conover asked for questions from the committee.

Senator Smith said we are having some real serious problems with wildlife and he likes the idea of a study to solve some of the problems. He thinks this kind of thing should have been done a long time ago.

Senator Anderson agrees with Senator Smith. In his area there is a problem with Whitetail deer. He is glad to see the sportsmen groups and rancher groups supporting a resolution such as this. He thinks this is the only way to address these kind of problems.

Senator Conover said he thinks this resolution is right on target.

Representative Grady closed by stating this will be a useful tool for the Department in solving the problem.

ACTION ON HJR 36: Senator Severson made a MOTION THAT HJR 36 BE CONCURRED IN. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ACTION ON HB 770: Senator Lane MADE A MOTION THAT THE AMENDMENTS PRESENTED FOR HB 770 BE ADOPTED. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Senator Yellowtail referred to page 6, line 20. He made a MOTION TO AMEND THE BILL by inserting "consistent with the provisions of Section 4" after the word "rule".

Senator Smith said that is probably addressed in Section 1, page 1, lines 18 and 19, which states, "unless done in accordance with the provisions of [Sections 2 through 13]."

Senator Jacobson said Senator Yellowtail's motion would probably clarify it.

Senator Yellowtail's MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Senator Severson made a MOTION THAT HB 770 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 611: Representative Devlin, District 25, chief sponsor, said this bill requires that certain bears, wolves, mountain lions or coyotes captured or held in captivity be permanently tattooed or otherwise permanently identified. If these animals should escape there will be a listed record of the owner of the animal and a penalty for any damage the animal does can be assessed to the owner.

Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, gave testimony in support of this bill. A copy of his testimony is attached as Exhibit 8.

Don McKamey, Montana Woolgrowers Association, supports this bill. He read a statement from the association indicating they wanted a bill such as this introduced this session. See attached Exhibit 9.

Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Council, supports this bill as it reads now. They feel that this would be a positive step towards improving land owner and wildlife enthusiasts relations.

Lavina Lubinus, Women Involved in Farm Economics, supports this bill. See attached Exhibit 10.

Glenn Sanders supports this bill as he considers it will improve relations between hunters and ranchers.

Robert VanDerVere supports this bill.

Teddy Thompson thinks this bill should pass if it is at all possible.

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There were no opponents. Chairman Conover opened the hearing for questions from the committee.

Senator Smith said there is a fellow in his district that runs a feed store and has mountain lions as guards for his feed plant at night. In order to tattoo the animals you would have to tranquilize them and he is concerned that the animals might die from the drug or whatever.

Senator Jacobson referred to the back of the fiscal note on technical or mechanical defects and wondered if there was a definition of hybrids.

Mr. Flynn said that verbiage in the fiscal note does get into a potential gray area and we do not know what to do about it. Some people will not acknowledge their animal is part wolf or coyote and it is difficult to be 100% sure. It is a gray area but we do not know how to address it.

Senator Jacobson asked who will sedate and tattoo the animals.

Mr. Flynn said it would be my assumption this would be done by the local veterinarian.

Senator Jacobson said if the animal dies it would be the veterinarian's problem.

Mr. Flynn said there is not a terribly large possibility of fatality.

Senator Smith asked if there is any other way of permanently identifying those mountain lion than with a tattoo.

Representative Devlin said there is a way of nose printing or paw printing the animals. He is not really sure if there is some way available here to permanently catalog an animal.

Representative Devlin closed by stating the Department should have some handle on a lot of these animals that are kept in captivity.

ACTION ON HB 611: Senator Smith made a MOTION THAT HB 611 BE CONCURRED IN. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 2:15 P.M.


MAX CONOVER, Chairman

SENATE FISH AND GAME COMMITTEE

Date 3-26-85

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Each day attach to minutes.

COMMITTEE ON

DATE

Senate Fish and Game

3/26/85

VISITORS' REGISTER

HB 611/HB 770/HJR 36

NAME	REPRESENTING	BILL #	Check One	
			Support	Oppose
Robert Vandellere	Self	HB 611	X	
Tony Schorne	Skyline	HJR 36	X	
Angie A. Schorne	Montana Wildlife Fed.	HJR 36 HB 770	X	
Don McKamey	Mont. Woolgrowers Assn.	HB 611	X	
Gary B. Lund	Last Chance Audubon	HB 770	X	
Janet Ellis	MT Audubon Council	HB 770 HB 611	X	
Lorna Frank	MT. Farm Bureau	HB 770 HJR 36	X	
CHRIS Hunter	Am. Fish. Soc	HB 770	X	
Ann Humphrey	MT Audubon Council	HJR 36 HB 770	X	
Layina Lubinus	WTFE	HB 611 HJR 36	X	
Tom Skis	MT Fish & Game			
Teddy Thompson	My self	611	X	
Jim Hoduer	My self	611	X	
Jim Brunna	Self	36	X	
Dal Price	Mont. Wildlife Fed.	HJR 36	X	
Stuart Daggett	mt. State Grazing Dist.	HB 770 HJR 36 HB 611	X	

NAME Lavina Lubinus Bill No. HJR 36
ADDRESS 1501 Chestnut Helena DATE 3/26/85
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT Women Involved in Farm Economics
SUPPORT ✓ OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

In spite of increased hunting the game control
has gotten out of hand.

Agriculture has had a hard time feeding
their own live stock needs and it is
getting very expensive feeding the wild life.

There has to be a solution.

We urge the committees support of HJR 36.

Thank You
Lavina Lubinus

EXHIBIT 1

HB 770

Testimony presented by Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

March 26, 1985

House Bill 770 amends Section 87-3-105, MCA, which clearly defines the department's authority in authorizing the transplanting or introduction of fish into any state water. However, in the case of wildlife, the current law appears to require department authorization only for introduction from outside the state.

This legislation proposes to formalize not only the introduction to the state, but also the transplanting within the state of all wildlife and establishes the Fish and Game Commission as a body to which appeals can be made on department decisions.

It should be pointed out that the amendment does not, in itself, require that any particular species be controlled, but provides authority for such control, should the commission consider it advisable.

An example of how this measure would work, if it were to become law, is to look at the mute swan. The department currently recognizes that a problem exists with feral mute swans in the Yellowstone Valley. The mute swan is not protected by federal regulations under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and therefore falls under state jurisdiction. However, the department's ability to control this species is limited under current law.

The Trumpeter Swan Society and the Trumpeter Swan subcommittee of the Pacific Flyway Council have both identified feral mute swans as a potential threat to the indigenous trumpeter swan in Montana. They have encouraged states to actively pursue the elimination of these feral swans before they become competitive with other species of swan. House Bill 770 would allow us to address this concern.

This legislation expands our present authority and would do so to the potential benefit of our wildlife populations.

We would urge your favorable consideration.

Proposed Amendment to HB 770 - Third Reading Copy

Page 4, Line 3: insert after "wildlife":
"or feral"

Page 4, Line 5: insert after "wildlife":
"or feral"

Page 4, Line 13: insert after "wildlife":
"or feral"

Page 5, Lines 1 - 4, Strike Section 8.

EXHIBIT 3



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Phone (406) 587-3153

TESTIMONY BY: Lorna Frank

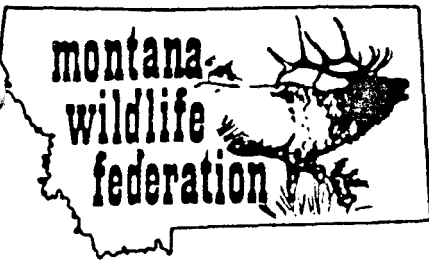
BILL #: HB 770 DATE: 3/26/85

SUPPORT XX OPPOSE

Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee,
for the record my name is Lorna Frank
representing Montana Farm Bureau.

Farm Bureau supports HB 770, we feel
this bill is needed to protect agricultural
production in Montana. This is a bill
that ~~should~~ ^{has} been needed for sometime and
we urge this Committee to recommend a
do pass.

SIGNED:



Montana Wildlife Federation

AFFILIATE OF NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION

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TESTIMONY FOR HB 770
March 26, 1985

My name is Tony Schoonen, here today representing the Montana Wildlife Federation in support of HB 770.

While exotic wildlife can provide exceptional opportunities and benefits to the state, they can also hold potential for ecological disaster.

For example, the pheasant and the rainbow trout have been resounding successes in our state as introduced exotic species. The introduction of the carp, on the other hand, has been distasteful. The Mute Swan has recently escaped captivity in Montana and presents a threat to our native Trumpeter Swan.

There is evidence in other states as well as in Montana. The Barbary Sheep, for example, was introduced in New Mexico and eventually displaced the native Desert Bighorn Sheep while at the same time destroying thousands of acres of habitat.

There is need in our state for such legislation as HB 770. The bill does not close the door to captivity. It simply provides the authority and the procedures necessary to make intelligent management decisions.

The Montana Wildlife Federation would urge this committee to give HB 770 a do pass recommendation.

EXHIBIT 5

HJR 36

Testimony presented by Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks
March 26, 1985

Mr. Chairman, the Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks supports House Joint Resolution 36.

During the last three legislative sessions, I have appeared before this committee several times to discuss bills related to the broad issue of game damage. This recurrence is a reflection of the on-going and frustrating nature of this problem.

Many of the causes of game damage are deep-rooted, intertwined with tradition and with strong feelings on both sides of the issue. On two occasions it has been a topic deliberated by the Montana Supreme Court. Solutions, to be effective and long-term, must be developed with all factors in mind.

The broad and complicated issue of game damage needs and deserves a thorough and close scrutiny. We would welcome the opportunity to assist in this endeavor over the next two years.

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The Montana Wildlife Federation is strongly supportive of HJR 36. HJR 36 is a direct result of several factors which have, during the past three years, combined to cause us to focus our attention on game damage to crops and private property. Those factors are: 2 to 3 years of continuing drought in some parts of the state; the generally dismal state of our agricultural economy; and sky rocketing game populations. These factors, in combination, have caused substantial damage to farmers and ranchers ^{at a time} when they can least afford it.

Representative Tom Asay, in response to these problems, introduced HB 191, providing for reimbursement for game damage. The bill was killed in the House, not because of a lack of concern for the problem, but because of the many questions left unanswered by the bill. HJR 36 is an attempt to get answers to those questions.

HJR 36 would establish an interim committee to deal with such issues as: what constitutes damage beyond that which landowners must expect from simply owning land in Montana? Are we doing the best we can with preventive measures, such as fencing, herding and repellents? What is the impact of game management policies of the Department? What can be done when some landowners provide a haven for big game animals that feed on a neighbors property? Would damage payments solve the problem?

if there is a bill to pay, who should pay it? And how much will it cost?

These, and many other related questions should be addressed, as they would be, through an interim study looking at the overall problem.

The Montana Wildlife Federation represents 1000's of sportsmen across throughout the state. We are keenly aware of our dependence, in many cases, on the good will of agriculturalists in order to pursue our sport on private land. Thus, our support of HJR36. We urge this committee to ~~pass~~ approve this resolution and to support its funding when the ranking decisions are made.

thank you

Hal Price

Montana Wildlife Federation



EXHIBIT 7

502 South 19th

Bozeman, Montana 59715

Phone (406) 587-3153

TESTIMONY BY: Lorna Frank

BILL #: HJR 36 DATE: 3/26/85

SUPPORT XXX OPPOSE

Mr Chairman, members of the Committee,
for the record my name is Lorna Frank
representing Montana Farm Bureau.

There has been several bills before the
legislature this year requesting compensation
to the land owners for wild life damage.
Farm Bureau members are very concerned
about this problem and would like to
be a part of the study Committee to help
any way we can.

SIGNED: Lorna Frank

EXHIBIT 8

HB 611

Testimony presented by Jim Flynn, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks

March 26, 1985

The bill has merit in that it would provide a mechanism to allow the state to get a handle on the number of these species which are in captivity in the state. At the present time, no such mechanism exists.

These particular species are not covered under the state's game farm laws and thus are not accounted for as are deer, elk, exotic species and captive furbearers and game birds.

We feel the bill has merit and support its passage.

All approved unanimously.

EXHIBIT 9 - Submitted by Don McKamey, March 26, 1985

PREDATOR COMMITTEE:

Support of Dick Christy, #1 -- Because of increased depredation from threatened and endangered species and because Montana state law gives livestock owners the right and ability to protect their livestock from stock-killing predators,

Be it resolved thte MWGA supports efforts toward determining the constitutional rights of an individual to protect their domestic livestock from predation by threatened and endangered species.

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Mark Predatory Wildlife When Released, #2 -- The MWGA recommends efforts to pass a state law or to have included in any pertaining regulations, state or federal, that any captured, caged, or re-introduced predatory wildlife must have a permanent identification and that individuals or agencies responsible for said animals be held liable for damages caused by these animals.

Uniform Bear Management Policy, #3 -- Because of increased bear depredation, the MWGA urges the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management, together with the livestock industry, develop a uniform depredatory bear policy.

Commend Department of Livestock, #4 -- The MWGA commends and supports the Montana Board of Livestock in their continuing efforts tin predator control and recommend the continued use of helicopters in the predator control program.

Resolution #5 -- The Predator Control Committee urges the board of directors of the MWGA to work with its membership to increase county sheep levies to a minimum of 35 cents to fund a more adequate and uniform predator control program.

PRODUCTION AND MARKETING COMMITTEE:

Knapweed, #1 -- Knapweed poses a grave threat to the range livestock industry, to wildlife habitat, watersheds, and environmental values in Montana.

Be it resolved that the MWGA request that the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station conduct in-depth research into the use of sheep to control the spread of knapweed.

Ked Eradication, #2 -- Keds pose an economic threat to Montana sheep producers and improved preventive treatment is available.

Be it resolved that a program for eradication in five years of keds in Montana be established.

Brucellosis, #3 -- Brucellosis in the Yellowstone National Park elk and bison herds pose an economic threat to Montana's livestock industry.

Be it resolved that the MWGA request the National Park Service to initiate a control and/or containment program for brucellosis in the Park elk and bison herd.

Wool Act Renewal, #4 -- The Wool Act as part of the 1981 Farm Bill has been a self-supporting program and has helped to provide and ensure a domestic supply of wool.

Be it resolved the MWGA supports renewal of the Wool Act in the present form.

Resolution #5 -- Whereas the Montana State University Department of Range and Animal Science and Agricultural Experiment Station have done an exceptional job experimenting with sheep to control larkspur and leafy spurge on Montana ranges,

Therefore be it resolved that the MWGA commend the University for its efforts in this area.

PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE:

Grazing Fees, #1 -- Reaffirmation of 1983 -- The MWGA views the present grazing fee formula on BLM and Forest Service lands as both equitable and acceptable.

We urge that the same fee formula be applied to all U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service refuges for grazing permits.

The MWGA support the Public Lands Council grazing fee task force in their efforts to negotiate an equitable grazing fee formula after 1985.

Land Swaps, #2 -- The MWGA supports the concept of land exchanges between the Department of Interior and private landowners when through the exchange the management of the land in question is made easier for both the federal land agency and private landowner.

State Grazing Fee, #3 -- The MWGA supports the present grazing fee formula used by the Montana Department of State Lands.

Stream Access, #4 -- The MWGA supports legislation which will clearly define the unanswered question in the two Supreme Court rulings regarding stream access -- particular definition of:

- high water mark
- reasonable recreation
- landowner liability/trespass

Grazing Permits, #5 -- The MWGA opposed the alteration or elimination of established (federal) grazing permits because of the presence or possible presence of an endangered or threatened species.

The MWGA membership thanks those who were speakers at the 1984 convention and we thank the Northern Hotel staff for helping to ensure a successful meeting.

Be it further resolved past resolutions passed by the membership shall be policy unless in conflict with those passed at the 1984 convention.

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Lavina Lubinus HB 611
 ADDRESS 1501 Chestnut Helena BILL NO. 611
 WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT? Women Involved in Farm Economics DATE 3/26/85
 SUPPORT X OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

With the advent of the fashion for exotic pets there needs to be some ^{ways to identify them} ~~control~~ over who owned them. So often when they quite being cute they are turned out to make their own way with no fear of humans they tend to make their way in our pastures hen houses - pig pens - knowing full well that domestic animals are easy to catch. This bill will help place the financial burden where it rightly belongs.

We urge your support of HB611

Thank You
 Lavina Lubinus

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on..... **SENATE FISH AND GAME**

having had under consideration..... **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION** No. **36**

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(SMITH WILL CARRY)

GAME DAMAGE PREVENTION STUDY

Respectfully report as follows: That..... **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION** No. **36**

BE CONCURRED IN

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MAX CONOVER,

Chairman.

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on **SENATE FISH AND GAME**

having had under consideration **HOUSE BILL** No. **282**

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(LANE WILL CARRY)

AUTHORIZES AUCTION OF SINGLE MOUNTAIN SHEEP PERMIT

Respectfully report as follows: That **HOUSE BILL** No. **282**

BE CONCURRED IN

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MAX CONOVER,

Chairman.

ROLL CALL VOTE

SENATE COMMITTEE FISH AND GAME

Date March 26, 1985 Bill No. HB 282 Time 12:40 P.M.

NAME	YES	NO
Senator Anderson	✓	
Senator Jacobson	✓	
Senator Lane	✓	
Senator Severson	✓	
Senator Smith	✓	
Senator Yellowtail		✓
Senator Conover	✓	

Agnes Hamilton
Secretary

Senator Conover
Chairman

Motion: HB 282 BE CONCURRED IN

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MR. PRESIDENT

SENATE FISH AND GAME

We, your committee on

HOUSE BILL

No. 611

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(SMITH WILL CARRY)

REQUIRING TATTOO ON CERTAIN BEARS, WOLVES, MOUNTAIN LIONS, AND
COYOTES

Respectfully report as follows: That

HOUSE BILL

No. 611

BE CONCURRED IN

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MAX CONOVER,

Chairman.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on SENATE FISH AND GAME

having had under consideration HOUSE BILL No. 764

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(JACOBSON WILL CARRY)

**ALLOW DISABLED HUNTERS TO HUNT FROM SHOULDER OF CERTAIN PUBLIC
HIGHWAYS**

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE BILL No. 764

BE CONCURRED IN
DEFENSE

~~CONCURRED~~

MAX CONOVER,

Chairman.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on SENATE FISH AND GAME

having had under consideration HOUSE BILL No. 770

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(YELLOWTAIL WILL CARRY)

**CONTROL IMPORTING FOR INTRODUCING; INTRODUCING; & TRANSPLANTING
WILDLIFE**

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE BILL No. 770

be amended as follows:

1. Statement of intent, line 6.

Following: "section"

Strike: "11"

Insert: "10"

2. Statement of Intent, line 8.

Following: "Section"

Strike: "11"

Insert: "10"

3. Page 1, line 12.

Following: "section"

Strike: "12"

Insert: "11"

4. Page 1, line 20.

Following: "through"

Strike: "13"

Insert: "12"

5. Page 2, line 15.

Following: "through"

Strike: "13"

Insert: "12"

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Chairman.

March 26, 1985

6. Page 3, line 22.
Following: "section"
Strike: "10"
Insert: "9"

7. Page 4, line 3.
Following: "wildlife"
Insert: "or feral"

8. Page 4, line 4.
Following: "section"
Strike: "10"
Insert: "9"

9. Page 4, line 5.
Following: "wildlife"
Insert: "or feral"

10. Page 4, line 13.
Following: "wildlife"
Insert: "or feral"

11. Page 5, lines 1 through 5.
Strike: section 8 in its entirety
Re-number: subsequent sections

12. Page 6, line 20.
Following: "rule"
Insert: "and subject to the provisions of [section 4]"

13. Page 6, line 25.
Following: "7 and"
Strike: "10"
Insert: "9"

14. Page 7, line 7.
Following: "sections 5"
Strike: ", "
Insert: "and"
Following: "6"
Strike: ", and 8"

15. Page 7, line 12.
Following: "through"
Strike: "13"
Insert: "12"

16. Page 8, line 1.
Following: "through"
Strike: "13"
Insert: "12"

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17. Page 3, line 9.
Following: "through"
Strike: "13"
Insert: "12"

18. Page 8, line 11.
Following: "through"
Strike: "13"
Insert: "12"

And, as amended
BE CONCURRED IN

.....
MAX CONOVER, Chairman

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 26, 1985

MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on **SENATE FISH AND GAME**

having had under consideration **HOUSE BILL** No. **763**

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PROVIDES FOR SPECIAL WILD BUFFALO LICENSES

Respectfully report as follows: That **HOUSE BILL** No. **763**

statement of intent be amended as follows:

1. Statement of intent.

Following: line 22

Insert: "It is the intent of the legislature that the regulated hunting of wild buffalo allowed by House Bill No. 763 be considered only one of many solutions available to the department and the national park service for controlling the migration of wild buffalo across the boundaries of Yellowstone National Park. The legislature encourages further negotiations and cooperation between the department and the national park service to seek other methods of controlling, as soon as possible, the migration of wild buffalo into Montana from Yellowstone National Park."

AND AS AMENDED

BE CONCURRED IN

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MAX CONOVER,

Chairman.

ROLL CALL VOTE

SENATE COMMITTEE FISH AND GAME

Date March 26, 1985 Bill No. HB 763 Time 12:50 P.M.

NAME	YES	NO
Senator Anderson	✓	
Senator Jacobson	✓	
Senator Lane	✓	
Senator Severson	✓	
Senator Smith		✓
Senator Yellowtail		✓
Senator Conover	✓	

Agnes Hamilton
Secretary

Senator Conover
Chairman

Motion: HB 763 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED