

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH, WILDLIFE, & PARKS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN DOUGLAS T. WAGNER**, on January 16, 1997, at 3:00 P.M., in Room 312-1.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Douglas T. Wagner, Chairman (R)
Rep. William Rehbein, Jr., Vice Chairman (Majority) (R)
Rep. Emily Swanson, Vice Chairman (Minority) (D)
Rep. Shiell W. Anderson (R)
Rep. Haley Beaudry (R)
Rep. Marian W. Hanson (R)
Rep. Hal Harper (D)
Rep. Chase Hibbard (R)
Rep. Dick Knox (R)
Rep. Rod Marshall (R)
Rep. Brad Molnar (R)
Rep. Robert J. "Bob" Pavlovich (D)
Rep. Bob Raney (D)
Rep. Robert R. "Bob" Ream (D)
Rep. Diane Sands (D)
Rep. Paul Sliter (R)
Rep. Bill Tash (R)
Rep. Allan Walters (R)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Doug Sternberg, Legislative Services Division
Alberta Strachan, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HJR 1 (1/8/97); HB 133
(1/9/97); HB 151 (1/9/97)
Executive Action: HB 151

HEARING ON HJR 1

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. SAM KITZENBERG, H.D. 96
introduced the bill. EXHIBIT 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D.
{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 3.2; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Jim Rector, Valley County Sportsmen's Club. EXHIBIT 2.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 9.3; Comments: None.}

John Daggett, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 20.4; Comments: None.}

Jim Powell, Jefferson Valley Sportsmen's Club and the Montana Sport Hunting Coalition.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 22.1; Comments: None.}

Rick Willis, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 24.6; Comments: None.}

Gary Hobeck, Ravalli County Fish & Wildlife Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 27.1; Comments: None.}

Steve Wilson, Ravalli County Fish & Wildlife Association and the Mule Deer Foundation.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 30.3; Comments: None.}

Skip Erickson, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 33.3; Comments: None.}

Kent Morehouse, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 36.8; Comments: None.}

Steve Schindler, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 38.0; Comments: None.}

Paul Cornwell, Valley County Sportsmen's Club.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 38.5; Comments: None.}

Vince Fischer, Skyliner Sportsmen.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 42.2; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony:

Mick Robinson, Governor's Office. EXHIBIT 3.

{Tape: 1; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 43.2; Comments: None.}

Stan Meyer, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks Commission. EXHIBIT 4.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 4.7; Comments: None.}

Jim Flynn, Anaconda resident. EXHIBIT 5.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 13.2; Comments: None.}

Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitter and Guide Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 17.8; Comments: None.}

Tony Schouen, Anaconda resident.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 24.3; Comments: None.}

Jim Posewitz, Helena resident. EXHIBIT 6.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 25.8; Comments: None.}

Ron Moody, Southeast Montana Sportsmen's Association. EXHIBIT 7.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 29.2; Comments: None.}

Jim Bradford, Montana Bowhunters Association. EXHIBIT 8.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 31.9; Comments: None.}

Bill Holdore, Skyliner Sportsmen.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 32.4; Comments: None.}

Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Society. EXHIBIT 9.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 33.2; Comments: None.}

Peter Funk, Montana Trails Unlimited.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 33.6; Comments: None.}

Sam Babich, Montana Action For Access.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 35.7; Comments: None.}

Jason Campbell, Montana Stockgrower's Association.

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 37.3; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 1; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 38.1; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. KITZENBERG closes.

{Tape: 2; Side: 1; Approx. Time Count: 44.2; Comments: None.}

HEARING ON HB 133

**Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. RED MENAHAN, H.D. 57
introduced the bill.**

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 2.5; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

Les Graham, Mega Ag Group.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 3.5; Comments: None.}

Tony Schouen, Anaconda resident.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 4.2; Comments: None.}

Sam Babich, Montana Action For Access.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 6.4; Comments: None.}

Roger Larsen, Walleyes Unlimited. EXHIBIT 10.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 6.9; Comments: None.}

Jason Campbell, Montana Stockgrower's Association

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 8.5; Comments: None.}

Bill Holdord, Skyline Sportsmen.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 9.4; Comments: None.}

**Patrick Graham, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks.
EXHIBIT 11.**

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 11.1; Comments: None.}

Jim Richard, Montana Wildlife Federation.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 12.9; Comments: None.}

Vince Fischer, Skyline Sportsmen.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 13.1; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 13.8; Comments: None.}

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 14.9; Comments: None.}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. MENAHAN closes.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 27.3; Comments: None.}

HEARING ON HB 151

**Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. ROD MARSHALL, H.D. 28
introduced the bill.**

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 29.3; Comments: None.}

Proponents' Testimony:

**Patrick Graham, Director, Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks.
EXHIBIT 12.**

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 31.0; Comments: None.}

Les Graham, Mega Ag Groups.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 32.7; Comments: None.}

Jim Bradford, Montana Bowhunters Association. EXHIBIT 13.

{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 33.2; Comments: None.}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions From Committee Members and Responses:

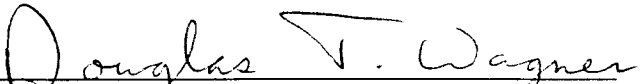
{Tape: 2; Side: 2; Approx. Time Count: 33.9; Comments: None.}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 151

Motion/Vote: REP. HARPER MOVED HB 151 DO PASS. The question was called. Motion carried 19-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 6:10 P.M.


REP. DOUGLAS T. WAGNER, Chairman


ALBERTA STRACHAN, Secretary

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