

MINUTES
HOUSE RESOURCES & CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, February 13, 2012

TIME: Upon Adjournment of the Joint Committee Meeting

PLACE: WW02 Auditorium

MEMBERS: Chairman Stevenson, Vice Chairman Shepherd, Representative(s) Wood(35), Barrett, Moyle, Eskridge, Raybould, Bedke, Andrus, Wood(27), Boyle, Hagedorn, Harwood, Vander Woude, Gibbs, Pence, Higgins, Lacey

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None.

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office until the end of the session. Following the end of the session, the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Services Library.

Chairman Stevenson called the meeting to order at 2:57 p.m.

RS 21170: **Rep. Gibbs** said this proposed legislation is the same as **H 456** but the RS will change the age from 12 years in **H 456** to the age of 10 years to possess a firearm for hunting.

MOTION: **Rep. Raybould** made a motion to introduce **RS 21170**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 21140: **Rep. Boyle** said the proposed legislation comes from the Attorney General's opinion stemmed from the Task Force meetings that a clarification of legislative intent for the authority of the Department of Fish and Game regarding trail and road closures on federal land.

MOTION: **Rep. Wood(35)** made a motion to introduce **RS 21140**.
In answers to questions from the Committee, **Rep. Boyle** said this legislation will make it very clear that motor vehicles are not considered a tool for hunting.
Motion carried by voice vote, with **Rep. Gibbs** being recorded as voting **NAY**.

RS 21238: **Rep. Boyle** said this proposed legislation will provide for a wolf depredation account. She explained how the money would be distributed in the account and what the money would be used for.

MOTION: **Rep. Barrett** made a motion to introduce **RS 21238**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 21268: **Rep. Gibbs** said this proposed legislation relates to the previously introduced legislation. He said that legislation removes some funding from the Fish and Game account for wolf tags. He said this legislation will raise the wolf tag fee for residents and out-of-state hunters to replenish the funds to Fish and Game. He said the previous legislation had an emergency clause and this one also has an emergency clause.

MOTION: **Rep. Higgins** made a motion to introduce **RS 21268**. **Motion carried by voice vote** with **Reps. Barrett, Wood(35) and Harwood** being recorded as voting **NAY**.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

Representative Stevenson
Chairman

Susan Werlinger
Secretary