

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission
Special Meeting
January 31, 2013
Boise, Idaho**

Present in the Director's Office: Deputy Director Sharon Kiefer, Dallas Burkhalter, Deputy Attorney General; Mary Boyer, Executive Assistant; and Jon Heggen, Enforcement Chief; Mike Demick, Conservation Information Supervisor; Jeff Gould, Wildlife Chief; and Lorraine Mallett, Administrative Assistant.

Director Moore and Deputy Director James Unsworth participated via conference call.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Budge with Commissioners Hurlock, Trevey, Barowsky, Anderson, McDermott and Naillon participating.

LEGISLATION

Sharon Kiefer, Deputy Director, provided a brief legislative update.

Confirmation Update

Ms. Kiefer reported that the Senate has voted and Commissioner Naillon's confirmation is a completed action.

Status of Fish and Game Rule Dockets

Ms. Kiefer provided a summary and status handout of the IDFG rule dockets as of January 30, 2013 (Appendix 46, Exhibit 23). She noted that the rule dockets have been reviewed by both the Senate Resources and Environment Committee and the House Resources and Conservation Committee. There were two rule dockets dealing with Land Owner Appreciation (LAP) which were rejected by both committees.

Department Sponsored Bills:

Senate Bill 1001 - Amends existing law relating to fish and game to revise provisions relating to disease research and to remove obsolete language.

Senate Bill 1002 - Amends existing law relating to fish and game to exempt specified classes of licenses from requirements relating to the deposit of certain proceeds from the sale of the licenses into the Fish and Game Set-aside Account; to provide for class 9 licenses; to provide for the replacement of lost or mutilated permits; and to provide that trapping licenses shall entitle the purchaser to trap wolves.

Senate Bill 1003 - Amends existing law relating to fish and game to revise provisions relating to class 2 and class 6 licenses; to remove provisions relating to youth small game licenses and youth hunter education graduate licenses; to provide that a trapping license shall entitle the purchaser to trap wolves; to revise provisions relating to certain nonresident licenses; and to revise fees.

Senate Bill 1004 - Amends existing law relating to fish and game to provide for specified resident and nonresident three year licenses and to provide for fees.

Status of Fish and Game Sponsored Bills

Ms. Kiefer reported that the Department sponsored bills were heard in the Senate Resources & Environment Committee on Wednesday, January 30th. She provided an update on the status of each bill (Appendix 46, Exhibit 24). Senate Bills 1001, 1003, and 1004 received a do pass. Senate Bill 1002 was held in Committee pending further information regarding the statement of purpose. The Chairman has the authority to bring back the bill for a hearing.

MISCELLANEOUS

Appointment to Winter Feeding Advisory Committee

Jeff Gould, Wildlife Chief, reported that this item is a follow up from the January Commission meeting. At the January meeting there was a question regarding the residency for the appointment of Janet Kellam to the Winter Feeding Advisory Committee representing the Salmon Region. An endorsement and credential letter was received from Senator Michelle Stennett regarding this appointment. After reviewing and confirming with Brent Stansberry, regarding the selection of this individual Commissioner Naillon is supportive of the appointment.

13-11 Commissioner Naillon moved and Commissioner Anderson seconded a motion to appoint Janet Kellam to the Winter Feeding Advisory Committee representing the Salmon Region. All Commissioners voted in favor.

Adjournment

13-12 Commissioner McDermott moved and Commissioner Barowsky seconded a motion to adjourn. All Commissioners voted in favor.