

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

June 4, 1993           Hearing Room D 1:00 p.m.   Tapes 101 - ?

MEMBERS PRESENT:           Rep. Liz VanLeeuwen, Chair Rep. Ray Baum Rep. Marilyn Dell Rep. Sam Dominy Rep. Bill Fisher Rep. Tim Josi Rep. Dennis Luke Rep. Bill Markham Rep. Chuck Norris

MEMBER EXCUSED:

VISITING MEMBER:

STAFF PRESENT:           Catherine Fitch, Committee Administrator Pat Zwick, Committee Coordinator Sue Nichol, Committee Clerk

MEASURES CONSIDERED:

SB 571 HB 2936 HB 3665 HB 3290 HB 3236 HM2 HB 2126 SB 63 HB 3450 HB 2775  
HJR 69 HB 3373 HB 3381 WITNESSES:

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005   CHAIR VanLEEuwEN:   Calls the meeting to order at 1:13.

033   CATHERINE FITCH:   (ExHB it A).

048   Sen Johnson:

100   KAY BROWN,

102   bf

108   SEN. JOHNSON:

bf

122   BROWN:

127   bf

129   BROWN

140   cn   Difference between

143 BROWN:

160 BROWN: Reads testimony (Exhibit B).

WORK SESSION ON HB 571.

BROWN:

SEN. JOHNSON:

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2936

230 FITCH (ExHB iit C, D)

340 RANDY (eXHIBIT E)

280 BROWN: (ExHB iit F)

305 dl

312 BROWN:That would solve the fiscal impact on the department. 317  
sd Line 17 .. Would you

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386 fitch: (Exhibit G)

400 BROWN: (Exhibit H).

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007 lv

027 JOHN ALTO: (Exhibit I).

049 cn Are the ??? whatever the market will bear?

050 ALTO: Yes.

053 cn

054 ALTO: Everyone who was chasing salmon, caught

132 bf

172 ALTO: There's still speculation as a result of the permit  
process.

183 cn What's happening with the state of maintenance of the fleet?

190 ALTO: Some fleets have deteriorated in terms of maintenance.

200 lv Closes public hearing on HB 3665. WORK SESSION ON HB 3665

PUBLIC HEARIN ON HB 3290 (ExHB iit J & K) 236 REP. PAYNE:

284 KILPATRICK: (Exhibit L)

PUBLIC HEARING ON HM2

367 fitch exhibit m

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010 TERRY WITT: exhibit n

105 lv

157 ccn Has anyone making a judicial challenge on this?

162 WITT:

165 cn Are there any crops we may lose in Oregon?

179 lv Does the Department of Agriculture support this bill?

182 PHIL WARD, Department of Agriculture: Yes.

WORK SESSION ON HM2

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 3290 AND 3236 FITCH (EXHIBIT o) 221 Woman:  
(Exhibit P

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080 dl

098 woman:

104 DL

106 WOMAN: We have found that the deer have no desire to come in.

125 REP. CLARNO, District

158 RICHARD PATTERSON: Shows slides of elk farm. Testifies in favor of HB 3290 and HB 3236. Believes they should have the right to sell...

279 dl

280 PATTERSON:

300 dl Llamas are a lot different than

311 LONNIE WOOSLEY: Testifies in favor of HB 3236.

364 cn How do you profit from the elk?

368 WOOSLEY: Prior to 1993 we could sell elk. Our objection is to be able to sell to anyone.

387 cn

388 WOOSLEY: That's something I haven't been involved in.

397 We've never had animals escape.

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011 MIKE BABCOCK: Testifies in favor of HB 3290 so that elk farms can be used by small farmers to make money.

054 ROBERT SPOKLIE, Montana Elk Breeders: Testifies in favor of HB 3236 as elk raising can be done safely. Poaching can be prevented. Has never

had an elk jump a fence. This program has been working in Montana.

156 lv

163 SPOKLIE: We test for more disease than cattle. Veterinarians say that the health concern with elk is not a problem with them.

174 SPOKLIE: They don't escape. Ninety nine percent of elk that are out have gone out through an open gate.

185 lv Interbreeding is a problem?

189 SPOKLIE: Domestic elk is healthier.

199 LOIS JORDAN: Louise Jordan testifies in favor of HB 3236 and HB 3290 as it is an infringement on her rights to tell what she can do on her

property.

219 VONNIE COUCH: Reads testimony in favor of HB 3290 (ExHB iit Q). Current ODFW rules are discriminatory.

324 dl Are you restricted

327 COUCH:

330 dl If Oregon ...

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338 COUCH: As a hunting ranch, the hunters would come in and take the meat to their home.

353 SHARON HARMON, Oregon Humane Society: Testifies in opposition to HB 3290 and HB 3236 as it would ..(EXHB IT r

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017 Velvet sales are not painless. Concerned with canned hunts, that wild elk will be put behind the fence.... Concerned that wild elk will be

taken and sold.

053 bf Tame and wild ducks intermingle, and there doesn't seem to be a problem with that. How is game ranching different.\?

064 HARMON:

066 bf

067 HARMON:

070 bf Cattle ranchers take horns off. How is that different than an elk?

079 HARMON:

082 GEORGE ELSER: The state has regulations concerning anesthetizing for antler removal. Testifies in favor of HB 3290. Elk will bring revenue

to the state.

167 bf

171 ELSER: WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO THAT.

178 dl Why do you cut the antlers?

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207 PAUL DRAKE, ( ExHB it S)

270 ROY ELICKER, The Wildlife Society: Opposed to HB 3290 and HB 3236 because we have concerns with escapement and potential disease problems.

370 bm Can the wild elk get tb as well as those in captivity?

381 ROD HARDER, Oregon Sportsmen Defense Fund: There is a difference of opinion amount the experts. Reads testimony (Exhibit T).

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015 There is the opportunity for elk owners to take elk out of the wild.

023 Regulations that are in place now must be kept in place until this is worked out. Funding should not come forom

038 bm

040 HARDER: The producer is currently paying ...

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047 HARDER: The enforcement is coming from ???/

052 bm Would it allevia

054 HARDER: Yes.

055 bf How much of this is over concern?

070 HARDER: I believe escapement is a problem. Our concerns are being addressed under current law. It makes no difference who uenforces it. 083 KEN EVANS, Oregon Hunters Association: Reads testimony in support of current regulation of the cervid production industry (Exhibit U).

Opposes HB 3236 and HB 3290.

137 If disease and other issues are worked out, we would be happy to come back and negotiate concerning these issues.

147 bf Do you have aactual instances of the disease going from tame to wild animals.

153 EVANS: Can't answer that by the data I've come across. The risk is too high though.

167 bf That's happened with domestic stock. It seems .....

175 REP. SOWA, District 26:

261 Concerned with who will pay for monitoring the elk.

286 The TB test is only 80% effective.

330 Opposes moving jurisdiction away from the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

358 bf As a veterinarian, will tb in cattle transmit to other

animals.

373 REP. SOWA: The disease is transmitted in close proximity.

381 bf

388 REP. SOWA:

394 bf It seems that we can keep on top of these things.

399 REP. SOWA: We are just now getting this under control after the 30 years I've been a veterinarian.

TAPE 104, SIDE B

010 ROD INGRAM, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife:  
Summarizes testimony in opposition to HB 3290 and HB 3236 (ExHB iit V).

115 bm Does New Zealand have problems?

120 INGRAM: New Zealand has TB problems in game farms and in the wild.

122 bm

127 INGRAM: As far as we know we have clean elk, both in the wild and in farms.

133 bm

137 INGRAM:

142 INGRAM: From the standpoint of disease ....

147 We did have a reported case of TB in Montana, with an animal moved from that area. Wedo have hybred in Oregon.

160 bm

163 INGRAM: Domestic livestock have no indication of TB or brucellosis in their herds. Cattle with brucellosis can .....

178 bm The rules are too restrictive.

182 INGRAM: The 300 acres is arbitrary. There is an appeal process in place.

199 dl What were they allowed to do before your rules?

203 INGRAM: Meat cannot be sold because it's a game animals. Oregon regulations do not pertain to other states. They could ship these

species to another state and then slaughter them.

218 bf There doesn't seem to be a great concern with disease?

230 INGRAM: The Department should have sent out a person to look the sick animal.

244 MIKE KILPATRICK: Testifies in favor of HB 3290 and 3236. This is a major industry. The Department of Agriculture has rules concerning elk.

360 Department of Agriculture should be in charge of health issues of the animals.

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002 bf Have you had any knowlege of hybredization?

012 KILPATRICK: No.

021 bf

023 KILPATRICK:

aSK cATHERINE ABOUT TESTIMONY (eXHIBIT W)

043 ROD INGRAM (ExHB iit X)

100 dl

129 lv For the record testimony from Laurnece Kraft (Exhibit Y)

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146 lv Closes public hearing on HB 2126.

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 63

157 FITCH: (Exhibit Z).

160 JOHB \N BEAULIEU: (Exhibit AA).

211 REP. BILL MARKHAM, District 46: Believes this is justifoied.

247 dl How many compalints have you received from Deschutes County.

250 BEAULIEU: About half our complaints come from Deschutes County.

WORK

286 LV Closes work session

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 3450

292 lv Closes public hearing on HB 3450.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2776

295 lv Closes public hearing on HB 2776.

PUBLIC HEARING ON HJR 69



298 lv Closes public hearing on HJR 69.

Meeting is adjourned at 5:15.

Submitted by:

Reviewed by:

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Administrator

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EXHIBIT LOG:

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