

**Idaho Fish and Game Commission**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Legislative Conference Call**  
**February 18, 2016**  
**Boise, Idaho**

Present: Commissioner Blake Fischer, Commissioner Dan Blanco, Director Virgil Moore, Sharon Kiefer, Mike Keckler, Dallas Burkhalter, Jon Rachael, Greg Wooten, Toby Bourdeau, and Mary Boyer. Participating from Regions 3 and 7 were Scott Reinecker, Viki Harber and from the public Bob Minter and Billy-Jo Beck.

A special meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission was held by telephone conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Will Naillon with Commissioners Brad Corkill, Dan Blanco, Lane Clezie, and Derick Attebury participating. Commissioner Doerr was excused.

Acting Chairman Naillon called the meeting to order with all Commissioners participating on the call.

**Status of Fish and Game Rule Dockets**

Deputy Director Sharon Kiefer provided the update.

No change in status same as February 11, 2016 conference call.

**Status of Fish and Game Sponsored Bills**

Deputy Director Kiefer referenced the Bill Tracking Tables (Appendix 49, Exhibit 21). HB 350 Increases the age for WMA Upland Game Bird Permit and is waiting to be heard in the Senate Resources and Environment Committee (SRC).

SB 1213 Amends existing law to prohibit the use of unmanned aircraft systems for hunting, molesting or locating game animals, game birds and furbearing animals. Has passed on the House floor and is waiting Governor action.

**Status of Legislator Bills considered by Commission**

See the bill tracking tables Exhibit 21.

HB 349 FY16 Budget Supplemental has been signed by the Governor.

HB 378 Amends existing law to clarify that the Fish and Game commission shall prescribe and administer education programs in trapping. The bill is waiting for a hearing in in the Senate Resources and Environment Committee.

### **New Bill Analysis for Discussion / Action for Policy Position**

SB 1340 Establishes process for claims due to bear damage to bees and beehives.

**16-23** Commissioner Fischer moved and Commissioner Clezie seconded a motion to support House Bill 1340. All Commissioners voted in favor.

### **New Bills of Interest or Pending Analysis**

HB 462 Amends existing law to remove age limitations for certain exceptions to take predatory and unprotected wildlife and muskrats.

**16-24** Commissioner Fischer moved and Commissioner Blanco seconded a motion to monitor House Bill 462. All Commissioners voted in favor.

HB 497 Adds to existing law to provide for reports by certain state entities with exceptions to the Secretary of State under the stat Sunshine Law.

HB 510 Provides that specified law shall not apply to prospecting and small-scale dredge mining.

SB 1305 Provides a process for the IDFG to have an independent entity carry out drawing for controlled hunts.

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**16-25** Commissioner Corkill moved and Commissioner Attebury seconded a motion to oppose House Bill 489 and House Bill 490. All Commissioners voted in favor.

**16-26** Commissioner Fischer moved for a substitute motion to oppose House Bill 489 and to monitor House Bill 490. The motion did not carry due to a lack of a second.

House Joint Memorial 13 Requests Congress to ensure federal sage-grouse conservation is consistent with state plan and to restrict any funding for inconsistent measures.

**16-27** Commissioner Blanco moved and Commissioner Attebury seconded a motion to monitor House Joint Memorial 13. All Commissioners voted in favor.

### **Other Discussion**

Acting Chairman Will Naillon reported that Commissioners were invited to attend the Senate Resources and Environment Committee Depredation hearing on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

He noted that an agenda item on the Depredation Program would be added to the March Commission meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Mark Doerr  
Chairman

Virgil Moore  
Secretary