

**2013 HOUSE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**HB 1313**

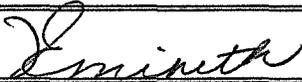
# 2013 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

House Energy and Natural Resources

Pioneer Room, State Capital

HB 1313  
Jan 25, 2013  
17742

Conference Committee



Related to nonresident waterfowl hunting.

**Minutes:**

Rep. Porter: We will open HB 1313.

Rep. J. Kelsh: There has been an early September Canada goose hunting season for several years in Sargent and Richland Counties. Last session it was amended to 3 other counties and there was a sunset put on the season. Game and Fish contacted me and the other 3 counties that are on the bill Benson, Ramsey and Towner were not interested in they being able to do it because they thought it was too warm to hunt geese. They contacted me to see if I would put a bill in that would extend it for Richland and Sargent Counties. The Canada geese have gotten to be a problem in Dickey County as well.

Randy Kreil: We did contact Rep. Kelsh about the expiration of the sunset clause on the legislation that you passed last session. We hadn't heard anything when we came to the session, the season that started out September and now has expanded from August 15 to September 12 has been in place for many years. We know of land owners in southeast North Dakota who value that season because they have friends and relatives that come to hunt and they see it as a way to control the Canada Geese. We contacted Rep. Kelsh and said "Do you want to do this because if somebody doesn't do it, it will sunset. The bill wasn't really introduced on our behalf it was a reminder to the legislature that the bill was due to sunset. We ask that a fee be attached to the nonresident hunting license.

Rep. Hofstad: What has your statistics shown; is this making an effect on the population?

Randy Kreil: Hunting is the tool that is the most beneficial and we maximized that hunting opportunity over the years. We have expanded it to the 15 bird a day limit.

Rep. Hofstad: The reason for the sunset is that last session we added Benson, Ramsey, and Towner Counties. We put the sunset on so that we could take a step and analyze this and see if it made a difference. Did we make a difference?

Randy Kreil: The problem with the assignment from the committee last session is that we only had one year of information is not enough to give a good answer.

Rep. Porter: We will close the hearing on HB1313.

# 2013 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

House Energy and Natural Resources

Pioneer Room, State Capital

HB 1313  
February 1, 2013  
18144

Conference Committee

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**Relating to Reclamation for pipelines facilities and for oil and gas gross production**

**Minutes:**

Rep. Porter: we have HB 1313 in front of us. This bill is the one that has the select area which is no longer needed. We have a motion for a do not pass on HB 1313 by Rep. Hofstad Secoded by Rep. Anderson.

Yes 12 NO 1 Absent 0 Carrier: Rep. Mock

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**01/15/2013**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1313

- 1 A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

|                | 2011-2013 Biennium |             | 2013-2015 Biennium |             | 2015-2017 Biennium |             |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
|                | General Fund       | Other Funds | General Fund       | Other Funds | General Fund       | Other Funds |
| Revenues       |                    |             |                    | \$55,900    |                    | \$55,900    |
| Expenditures   |                    |             |                    | \$0         |                    | \$0         |
| Appropriations |                    |             |                    | \$0         |                    | \$0         |

- 1 B. **County, city, school district and township fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

|                  | 2011-2013 Biennium | 2013-2015 Biennium | 2015-2017 Biennium |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Counties         |                    |                    |                    |
| Cities           |                    |                    |                    |
| School Districts |                    |                    |                    |
| Townships        |                    |                    |                    |

- 2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

The bill amendment adds a nonresident early Canada goose license fee of fifty dollars. It also updates the counties in which the fourteen-day and two 7-day hunting period restrictions do not apply to nonresidents during the early September Canada goose season.

- B. **Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

This bill amendment will have a positive fiscal impact on our revenue because it is adding an additional license fee for the nonresident early Canada goose season.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

- A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

It is difficult to estimate the fiscal impact affected by the amendment because we currently do not have a specific license for the early Canada goose season. In order to come up with a dollar amount, we estimated the number of NR early Canada goose hunters based on a 2011 survey of waterfowl hunters. The confidence margin in our survey is very wide, but it's the best estimate that we have available. We used an estimate of 559 hunters at \$50 a license. This would generate \$55,900 (\$27,950 x2) of revenue for the biennium.

- B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

None anticipated.

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

None anticipated.

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**Date Prepared:** 01/18/2013

Date: 2-1-  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2013 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE  
ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1313

House Natural Resources Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Rep. Mock

Motion Made By Hofstad Seconded By Anderson

| Representatives              | Yes | No | Representatives   | Yes | No |
|------------------------------|-----|----|-------------------|-----|----|
| Chairman Todd Porter         | ✓   |    | Rep. Bob Hunsakor | ✓   |    |
| Vice Chairman Chuck Damschen | ✓   |    | Rep. Scot Kelsh   |     | ✓  |
| Rep. Jim Schmidt             | ✓   |    | Rep. Corey Mock   | ✓   |    |
| Rep. Glen Froseth            | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. Curt Hofstad            | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. Dick Anderson           | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. Peter Silbernagel       | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. Mike Nathe              | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. Roger Brabandt          | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
| Rep. George Keiser           | ✓   |    |                   |     |    |
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Total (Yes) 12 No 1

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep Mock

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:  
Do not pass

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HB 1313: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman)**  
recommends **DO NOT PASS** (12 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).  
HB 1313 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.