**1999 HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES** 

HCR 3055

#### 1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### **BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 3055**

House Natural Resources Committee

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 2/25/99

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Minutes: REP. DROVDAL introduces the bill. DROVDAL suggests that you go out and see some of the damage done to the rural landowners. DROVDAL states that this bill is not against the game and fish department.

REP. HANSON asks where do the numbers come from in this resolution? DROVDAL replies that they came from legislative council.

REP. MARTINSON asks what is the ultimate goal of this bill? DROVDAL replies that it is a bill that would solve depredation.

SUPPORT

RON WANNER, GOLDEN VALLEY, ND, KNIFE RIVER RANCH. WANNER states that the wildlife on his ranch is out of control. The turkey population is exploding and desperately needs to be harvested. WANNER says that turkey licenses are hard to come by and that ND is the only state that does not let nonresidents hunt turkeys. WANNER provides food plots for the turkeys

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on his ranch. He is also a guide. WANNER then passes pictures around for the committee to see the population explosion of wildlife on his ranch. The wildlife is ruining the for the cattle.

REP. NELSON asks if he was providing food plots prior to becoming a guide. WANNER replies

that yes he was. NELSON asks how many private landowners are providing habitat for wildlife?

WANNER replies that he is not quite sure, but 99% of land is privately owned.

REP. HANSON asks WANNER if he posts his land. WANNER replies that yes he does.

HANSON asks if he charges ND hunters a fee to hunt on his land. WANNER replies that yes he does, to recoup some of the loss.

SUPPORT

REP. KEMPENICH also testifies that he is in support of this resolution. He thinks that it should be looked into a little bit more. He urges the committee for a do pass on this measure. OPPOSE

PAUL CRARY, CASS COUNTY WILDLIFE CLUB. CRARY doesn't like the numbers in the bill.

REP. PORTER asks if the finger pointing was taken away, would he then be in favor of this bill. CRARY replies that yes he would be.

REP. NELSON comments about the depredation of wildlife and it being an issue. CRARY states that game doesn't belong to hunters, it belongs to the public.

The hearing was then closed until later in the day.

Reopen to committee work.

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REP. DEKREY motions for DO PASS, seconded by REP. NELSON. The roll call vote was

taken, with 14 YES, 1 NO, 0 ABSENT. The motion carries. The CARRIER of the bill on the

floor will be REP. DROVDAL.

Date: 3.35.99Roll Call Vote #: 1

## 1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

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### **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

HCR 3055: Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Grosz, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (14 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3055 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar. 1999 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES

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#### 1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### **BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR3055**

Senate Natural Resources Committee

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 11, 1999

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Minutes:

SENATOR TRAYNOR opened the hearing on HCR3055: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO STUDY THE EXTENT OF AND REMEDIES FOR DAMAGE CAUSED TO LANDOWNERS FROM DEPREDATION BY BIG GAME ANIMALS, WATERFOWL, AND TURKEYS AND DAMAGE CAUSED TO PROPERTY BY HUNTERS.

MIKE DONAHUE, ND Wildlife Federation testified as neutral.

SENATOR TRAYNOR asked why are you neutral.

MIKE DONAHUE replied the figures in the resolution come from the Game and Fish Dept. or US Dept. of Agriculture on depredation, but if you look at where the difficulties are at in the whole game management arena as far as violations in just 1998, the area that should be studied



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would be in boating and fishing because there are more violations than what is listed in this resolution.

DEAN HILDEBRAND, ND Game and Fish Dept. explained that when you consider large numbers of hunters in ND and the large population of ducks and geese going through the state of ND and have under \$50,000 of depredation, that is minusumal. For people with chronic problems with deer, we have a deer-proof hayrack we provide to farmers at no cost and the Game and Fish will deliver the hayrack to the farmer.

SENATOR REDLIN asked what was spent by ND Game and Fish Dept. for feeding deer.

DEAN HILDEBRAND replied under \$150,000 this year.

SENATOR REDLIN asked if there is compensation from waterfowl depredation.

DEAN HILDEBRAND replied waterfowl depredation is related almost exclusively to swathed grain and presently there is no compensation.

SENATOR REDLIN asked if wild turkeys are giving problems.

DEAN HILDEBRAND replied turkey permits have increased by 25% and turkeys are a nuisance to food supplies.

REP. DROVDAL stated this is a study resolution and this came by because we hear a number of bills every year from the landowners and the hunters which generally are out of frustration. This will get members of the Legislature out to discuss these problems with the people of ND.

SENATOR TRAYNOR asked where did you get the figures on waterfowl depredation.

REP. DROVDAL replied from the Legislative Council.

PAUL CRARY, Cass Co. Wildlife Ass'n. testified neutral.

SENATOR TRAYNOR closed the hearing on HCR3055.

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SENATOR FREBORG moved for a DO PASS, seconded by SENATOR HEITKAMP. Roll call

vote indicated 6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 Absent and not voting. SENATOR TRAYNOR volunteered

to carry the bill.

Roll Call Vote #: /

Date: 3-/1-99

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#### **REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

HCR 3055: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Traynor, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3055 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.