

2005 HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES
HB 1269

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1269

House Natural Resources Committee

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 20, 2005

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Chr. Nelson: Opened the hearing on HB 1269; called roll, 1 absent; the clerk read the title.

Rep. Bill Amerman, Dist. 26: The ND Wild Turkey Federation is requesting a license to auction off a turkey license, either at the National Convention or in any way they deem appropriate, to raise money for their projects. The organization has been in the state for about eight years; there are 11 chapters. I belong to two chapters. One Sunday, my wife and I helped one of the chapters to plant 102 trees to enhance the habitat for the area turkey population. That is the type of projects they do and I believe the funds raised by the proposed auction would go to similar projects. I understand that you get hit by many of these requests. I would only say that this wildlife organization would enhance wildlife projects and scholarships to high school students. I hope you give favorable consideration of this bill.

Chr. Nelson: Are there any questions?

Rep. Hanson: When does this auction take place? You have it in here that you can't have a ND license the same year as you win.

Amerman: I'm not sure if I can answer that. It might be better left up to the Game & Fish and the Governor as to places and times that the Governor prescribes.

Rep. Hunskor: Would a substantial amount of money be raised? Would someone pay an amount of money that would be worth it to your organization to be involved?

Amerman: I'm not sure. I know that turkey hunting in the state and on the national level is growing, as are the turkey populations. The interest in turkey hunting is growing. It's always been a big issue in the southern states. Maybe if you get it at a national convention and somebody has ties you could make money.

Rep. Nottestad: There is a group in the U.S. that has the idea of hunting a wild turkey in every state. ND does not permit out of state hunters to hunt wild turkeys, therefore this license being sold out of state could be a very valuable commodity.

Chr. Nelson: Are there further questions?

Rep. DeKrey: It says that the license would be issued to the National Wild Turkey Federation.

Amerman: I handed out an amendment to this bill which would zero it down to the spring hunting season. That's a more valuable hunting, when the turkeys are mating you can use a call. I don't know it the Game & Fish would have a problem with that.

Chr. Nelson: The amendment has been distributed to all committee members. Seeing no further questions, I'll take further testimony in favor of HB 1269. Any opposing testimony?

David Munsch: Non residents can't hunt turkeys in ND. Turkeys are a commodity (in the nation). The game belongs to the people of the state. I don't have any problem competing with other hunters that live here, but I don't want to compete with someone from out of state. This is

just another thing for the guys with big bucks to come to make videos of turkeys. I'm against it all together.

Chr. Nelson: Are there any questions for Mr. Munsch? Seeing none, thank you. Is there further testimony opposing HB 1269?

Mike Donahue, United Sportsmen of ND and the ND Wildlife Federation: I don't have written testimony, but we ask for a Do NOT Pass on this bill. We don't see the necessity to establish a turkey program. There seems to be a growing stream of special interests nibbling at the various public meetings to fund *their* interests. We think such actions should be stopped.

Chr. Nelson: Mr. Donahue, in the examples that you used, that non residents can hunt both of those species, turkeys and pheasants?

Donahue: That's correct. We think there is getting to be too much of this selling of tags to put money in pockets.

Chr. Nelson: What criteria would your organization support when a group comes in asking for a raffle or an auction of a license. Is there a criteria or checklist of groups that would meet your approval?

Donahue: Not that I'm aware of.

Chr. Nelson: Any further questions of Mr. Donahue? Seeing none, thanks Mike. Is there further testimony opposing HB 1269? Seeing none, I'll close the hearing on HB 1269.

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Chr. Nelson: Let's open HB 1269. That is Rep. Amerman's bill for the wild turkey hunt. He had asked me to hold on to this for a period of time. The amendment offerred was to include the spring season. Are there there any desires to amend this bill? Does anyone have other amendments to attach to this bill? Hearing none, what's the committee's wishes?

Rep. DeKrey: Motion to Do Not Pass.

Rep. Norland: Second

Chr. Nelson: There has been a motion and a second to a Do Not Pass, is there any discussion?

Rep. Nottestad: Question.

Chr. Nelson: Question has been called. Will you call the roll?

Do Not Pass - Vote: 13-Yeas; 0-Nays; 1-Absent; Carrier: Norland



FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/12/2005

Bill/Resolution No.:

HB 1269

1A. **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.

v	2003-200	5 Biennium	2005-200	7 Biennium	2007-2009 Biennium		
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	
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1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

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2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

Four wild turkey licenses would be provided for a raffle each biennium. These cost \$8 each.

Raffle revenue is not known, but it would probably not come to the ND Game and Fish Department. It would be used directly for turkey management and related projects.

- 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.

The four licenses provided to the National Wild Turkey Federation would cost \$8 each.

- 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.
- C. **Appropriations:** Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1269

Page 1, line 8, after "year" insert "for the spring season"
Renumber accordingly

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2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 48 / 269

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) January 28, 2005 4:57 p.m.

Module No: HR-19-1380 Carrier: Norland Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1269: Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Nelson, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1269 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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2005 TESTIMONY HB 1269

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TESTIMONY REFERENCING HB 1269

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House Natural Resources Committee January 20, 2005

The United Sportsmen of North Dakota and the N.D. Wildlife Federation do not support HB 1269 and ask for a **Do Not Pass**.

We do not see the necessity to establish this turkey program. There seems to be a growing stream of special interests nibbling at the various public game in order to fund their interests.

We think such actions should stop.