2021 HOUSE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 1113

2021 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

HB 1113 1/21/2021

relating to obtaining a landowner's permission before baiting, relating to trail cameras and to provide a penalty

2:04 PM

Chairman Porter opened the hearing on HB 1113. Present: Representatives Porter, Damschen, Anderson, Bosch, Devlin, Heinert, Keiser, Lefor, Marschall, Roers Jones, M Ruby, Zubke, Guggisberg, and Ista.

Discussion Topics:

- Using bait to attract wildlife on unposted land
- A conversation between landowner and hunter is often warranted
- Corn is often used as bait. Using GMO corn could put a landowner's certification at risk.

Rep Thomas, #1610, #1611, #2109 Julie Ellingson, EVP, ND Stockmen's Association #2076

Additional written testimony:

John Bradley, exe dir, ND Wildlife Federation #2091 Bea Streifel, ND CPAC #1385

Closed the hearing at 2:19 PM

Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk

21.0343.01001 Title. Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for Representative Thomas January 18, 2021

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

Page 1, line 23, remove "If an individual is guilty of a second or subsequent"

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Renumber accordingly

Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

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- b. If the <u>The</u> device does not have <u>has</u> a permanently affixed metal or plastic tag with
 a registration number issued by the game and fish department, or the individual's
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January 21, 2021

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Thanks for your consideration of HB 1113 and I urge a do pass.

Chairman Porter and House Energy and Natural Resources Committee members, my name is Julie Ellingson and I represent the North Dakota Stockmen's Association. The Stockmen's Association stands in support of HB 1113.

I intend to testify in person at the Jan. 21 hearing.



Testimony of John Bradley North Dakota Wildlife Federation House Bill 1113 House Energy & Natural Resources Committee January 21, 2021

Chairman Porter, members of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee,

For the record, I am John Bradley, Executive Director of the North Dakota Wildlife Federation (NDWF). I am here today representing our 1,500 members and 15 affiliated wildlife and sportsmen's club across North Dakota.

NDWF last session supported HB 1503. We again rise in support of HB 1113 which requires landowner permission to bait on private land. We would like to offer a friendly amendment to add written permission in Section 2, line 19, on page 1. This would better mirror the language used in Section 1. This bill would require a little more homework for sportsmen and women, but hopefully will improve relationships between landowners and hunters in the long term.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions that the committee might have.

Thank you for your work on this bill! I support HB 1113. As both a hunter/fisher and a landowner, I realize the importance of this bill. Please pass this bill!

Thank you!

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9:07 AM

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Rep Roers Jones moved amendment 01001, seconded by Rep Ista. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Rep Roers Jones moved to further amend (01002), seconded by Rep D. Anderson. Voice vote. Motion carried.

| Representatives | Vote |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Representative Todd Porter | Y |
| Representative Chuck Damschen | Y |
| Representative Dick Anderson | Y |
| Representative Glenn Bosch | Y |
| Representative Bill Devlin | Y |
| Representative Ron Guggisberg | AB |
| Representative Pat D. Heinert | Y |
| Representative Zachary Ista | Y |
| Representative George Keiser | Y |
| Representative Mike Lefor | AB |
| Representative Andrew Marschall | Y |
| Representative Shannon Roers Jones | Y |
| Representative Matthew Ruby | Y |
| Representative Denton Zubke | Y |

Rep Roers Jones moved a Do Pass as Amended, seconded by Rep M Ruby.

Motion carried. 12 - 0 - 2 Rep Ista is carrier.

#1611 Rep Paul Thomas – amendment 01001

9:16 AM

Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk

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Adopted by the Energy and Natural Resources Committee

February 5, 2021

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- HB 1113: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1113 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
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Hearing called to order all Senators Present: **Roers, Bell, Schaible, Piepkorn, Patten, and Kreun.** [10:28]

Discussion Topics:

- Invasive Species of Crops and Weeds
- Invasive specimen mitigation practices

Rep. Paul Thomas testified in Favor #7249 [10:28]

Julie Ellingson, ND Stockman's Association testified in Favor [10:44]

Scott Winkelman, ND Game and Fish provided Neutral Testimony [10:48]

Senator J. Roers Moved a DO PASS [10:54] Senator Piepkorn Seconded the Motion [10:54] Vote Passed 6-0-0 Senator Schaible Carried the Bill

| Senators | Vote |
|----------------------------|------|
| Senator Curt Kreun | Y |
| Senator Jim P. Roers | Y |
| Senator Dale Patten | Y |
| Senator Merrill Piepkorn | Y |
| Senator Donald Schaible | Y |
| Senator Jessica Unruh Bell | Y |

Additional written testimony:

John Bradley, ND Wildlife Federation provided testimony in favor #7503

Hearing Adjourned [10:56]

Dave Owen, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1113: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Kreun, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1113 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

#7249

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