

Legislation Summary for the week of Feb. 19-23, 2007

The week of Feb. 19- 23 both Chambers were in recess for the first part of the week as the bills crossed over week. On Thursday, Feb. 22 at 2:00 p.m., the North Dakota Game & Fish Appropriations (SB 2017) was heard in the House Education & Environment Appropriations Committee. I testified for the NDSFC that we didn't think that G&F funds should be used as a funding tool for the marina. We are in agreement that a marina is needed but with general funds money as it is a big benefit for the whole state. I indicated that this one of five or six more marinas that we hope to see built in the future. There are rumors flowing around that the \$800,000 from NDG&F funds for boat ramps for Lake Sakakawea is part of the Marina funding. It is not true; the \$800,000 is still in the budget for boat ramps. I have contacted individual legislators to make sure that they understand the funding.

This coming Monday, Feb. 26, 2007, Parks & Recreation Appropriations (SB 2019) will be heard in the Sakakawea Room at 2:15 PM. The Fort Stevenson Marina funding is part of the appropriations.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at 701.351.0260 or by email at dash@gondtc.com

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