



## Legislation Summary for the week of Jan. 17-21, 2005

The third week was a busy week. Tuesday mornings during this legislative session, we will meet at the Game & Fish office at 10:00 AM and go over the bills that have been or will be introduced and will be heard during this weeks session.

**HB 1296** – Would amend the North Dakota Century Code by allowing suspension of hunting and fishing privileges to persons with felony convictions only. It also repeals the laws that prohibit hunting under the influence. House Judiciary Committee to hear on Thursday, Jan. 19, 05, 9:00 AM in the Prairie Room. This bill is still in committee

**SB 2141** – Would amend the North Dakota Century Code by revising the boating under influence law. Senate Transportation Committee to hear on Thursday, Jan. 20, 05 at 9:45 AM in the Lewis & Clark Room. The result of my inquiry is that we will be supporting this bill. I testified in support of the bill and this bill has not come out of committee yet.

The bills that I will be following this coming week of Jan 24-28 will be:

The bills mentioned above, plus **SB 2294**.

**SB 2294** – Increases bait vendor fees and requires equipment tags. Relating to license fees for nonresident wholesale bait vendor licenses; relating to the regulation and licensing of wholesale bait vendors. Senate Natural Resources Committee will hear the bill on Jan. 27, 05 in the Fort Lincoln Room at 10:15 AM

Thanks to all of you that took time to attend the COE at the Bismarck Civic Center on Jan 20<sup>th</sup>, 05. There was a lot of good information presented by the Corps on the Emergent Sandbar Habitat for the Least Terns and Piping Plover. The room was filled and they had to bring in extra seating, we showed the COE that we do care what happens to the Mighty Missouri. There were a lot of concerns presented and hopefully our concerns will be addressed before they proceed with the project.

- If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached at 701.351.0260 or by email at [duaine\\_ash@yahoo.com](mailto:duaine_ash@yahoo.com) during this legislative session.

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