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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

JANUARY 19, 1988

MEETING SUMMARY

APPROVED FEBRUARY 2, 1988

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order in the Council Chamber by the Chair, Senator Pray, at 3:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Clark, Sen. Perkins, Sen. Pray, Sen. Dutremble
Absent: Sen. Webster

Representatives: Rep. Gwadosky, Rep. Martin, Rep. Paradis
Rep. Murphy
Absent: Rep. Diamond

Legislative Officers:

Sally Diamond	Executive Director, Legislative Council
Peter Siegel	Law Librarian
Bent Schlosser	Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
Helen Ginder	Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
David Silsby	Revisor of Statutes
John H. Bailey	Director, Information Systems

SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Items #1: Approved Step Increases

Sally Diamond, Executive Director, reported that she had approved step increases for the following employees based on the recommendations of their respective Office Directors:

Janet Jean, Secretary (Salary Range 3), Office of Policy and Legal Analysis, from Step A to Step B, effective January 27, 1988

Jennifer Locke, Office Assistant (Salary Range 2), Law & Legislative Reference Library, from Step B to Step C, effective December 28, 1987

Margaret Reinsch, Legislative Analyst, (Salary Range 10), Office of Policy and Legal Analysis, from Step C to Step D, effective January 11, 1988

Stephanie Ralph, Assistant Law Librarian, (Salary Range 8), from Step C to Step D, effective January 4, 1988.

Motion: That the Executive Director's report be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous.)

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Submission of Annual Report

Regional Fuel Tax Agreement, by Anthony J. Neves, State Tax Assessor.

Motion: That the report be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Perkins; unanimous.)

Item #2: Submission Of Study Reports

Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance:
Study of the Feasibility of Establishing a 3-Member
Insurance Commission to Perform the Functions of
Superintendent of Insurance

Joint Standing Committee on Economic Development:
Study on Regional Economies in Maine.

Joint Standing Committee on State and Local
Government: Maine's Conflict of Interest Laws.

Joint Standing Committee on Legal Affairs: Final
Report on Law Enforcement Training

Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary: Study on
Surrogate Parenting.

Motion: That all the aforementioned reports be
accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Rep.
Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous.)

Item #3: Request to Extend Deadline for Electric Power
Planning Study from Joint Standing Committee on
Utilities.

Motion: That the request to extend the reporting
deadline be extended to February 15, 1988. (Motion
by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous.)

Item #4: Request from Joint Standing Committee On Economic
Development to conduct a study of Maine's
participation in international trade and the effect
of international trade on Maine's economy.

Motion: That the request be tabled pending further
information regarding the staffing and budget
resources required, and that the Executive Director
be directed to work with the Committee Chairs to
develop this information for Council review.
(Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark;
unanimous.)

Item #5: After Deadline Requests

The Legislative Council considered After Deadline
Requests. A summary of the Council's action is
attached.

Motion: That the Legislative Council consider no further After Deadline requests unless the request is accompanied by a letter from the Sponsor explaining: 1) why the request is late and 2) the reason the request cannot wait until the First Regular Session of the 114th Legislature. (Motion by Rep. Martin: WITHDRAWN.)

Motion: That the Office of the Revisor of Statutes and the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis be directed to accept no further bill requests from legislators until all of those bills already authorized for introduction, including the Governor's bills and study bills, have been drafted in final form. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Rep. Murphy; approved 6-2.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: That the Legislative Council go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel.

RECONVENE

Sen. Pray reconvened the Council at 4:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).