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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 9, 1988

MEETING SUMMARY

The meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order in the Council Chambers by the Chair, Senator Pray, at 3:38 p.m..

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

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

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
John H. Bailey	Information Systems Director

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The summary of the Council's February 9, 1988, meeting was approved and placed on file (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

DIRECTORS' REPORT

Item #1. Additional Items for Supplemental Budget Request

Sally Diamond, Executive Director, presented Council members with a revised summary of the Legislature's Supplemental budget request. The revision includes the amount necessary to fund actions taken by the Legislative Council since the Supplemental request was originally submitted in December. These additional items include 1) moving the Assistant Clerk of the House, Deborah Bedard Wood into the step in the salary range to which her position is assigned by statute, which reflects her length of service in the position; 2) salaries for two interns, students from the University of Maine System, who are participating in a pilot program during this legislative session; and 3) award of cost-of-living increases to session employees, whose salaries were established in January, at the beginning of the Second Regular Session. The total amount required for these items is \$53,000.

Motion: That the revised supplemental request be accepted and recommended to the Appropriations Committee. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

Item #2. Requests from Standing Committees for Presentations by Non-partisan Staff

Ms. Diamond reported that two committees had requested presentations from members of the non-partisan staff not regularly assigned to those committees. Council policy requires these to be reviewed and approved in advance.

- Joint Standing Committee on State & Local Government

Request that Helen Ginder and Peter Siegel attend a work session regarding LD 1651, which proposes changes in the process for review and dissemination of administrative rules.

Motion: That the request be approved. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

- Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources

Request that John Wakefield, Deputy Director, and Kathryn Van Note, Analyst, Office of Fiscal and Program Review, present an overview and analysis of the supplemental budget requests submitted by the Departments of Human Services and Mental Health & Mental Retardation to members of the Committee in a work session.

Motion: That the request be approved. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Maine State Government Financial and Administrative Systems Plan: Submission of Executive Summary from Jean Mattimore, Commissioner of Finance.

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

Item #2: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Planning Committee's Annual Report

The Memorandum from Rollin Ives, Commissioner of Human Services, requested Council approval to introduce a bill extending the deadline which is set by statute, for the report.

Motion: That the request be approved. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Rep. Murphy, unanimous).

Items #3: Letter from Stephen R. Crockett, Chair, State Compensation Commission

In his letter Mr. Crockett requested that the Council Chair appoint a subcommittee to meet with members of the Compensation Commission for the purpose of undertaking a more comprehensive study of current legislative workload and its relationship to compensation.

Motion: That the request be referred to the Personnel Committee for appropriate action. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

Item #4: After Deadline Requests

After deadline requests were considered by the Legislative Council. The Council's action on these requests is included on the attached list.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m. (Motion by Rep. Diamond; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).