

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 16, 1988

### MEETING SUMMARY

SEN. NANCY RANDALL CLARK  
SEN. DENNIS L. DUTREMBLE  
SEN. THOMAS R. PERKINS  
SEN. CHARLES M. WEBSTER  
REP. JOHN N. DIAMOND  
REP. DAN A. GWADOSKY  
REP. THOMAS W. MURPHY, JR.  
REP. EUGENE J. PARADIS

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

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
David Silsby	Revisor of Statutes

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Sally Diamond, Executive Director, presented a summary of legislative expenditures through January 31, 1988.

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

**REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Item #1: Submission of Study Report from Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary: Driving Under the Influence of Illegal Drugs

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

Item #2: Request from Blue Ribbon Commission on the Regulation of Health Care Expenditures for Authorization to Enter a Contract for Technical Services.

The Commission requested Council authorization to engage the services of Graham Atkinson, a consultant from Washington D.C., to provide expert consultation through December, 1988, for a total proposed amount of \$67,980.00 plus expenses. A work plan describing the scope of Mr. Atkinson's services was distributed.

Council discussion focussed on two issues: 1) why it was necessary to rely on outside resources to such an extent; and 2) why the proposed budget for Mr. Atkinson's services exceeded the total amount appropriated to the Council.

Motion: That the Commission's request be tabled pending further information, to be assembled by the Executive Director. (Motion by Sen. Clark; second by Rep. Diamond; unanimous).

Item #3: 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 4:13 (Motion by Sen. Pray; second by Rep. Gwadosky; unanimous).