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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MARCH 15, 1988

MEETING SUMMARY

APPROVED MARCH 22, 1988

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order in the Council Chambers by the Chair, Senator Pray, at 3:05 p.m..

ROLL CALL

Senators:

Sen. Clark, Sen. Dutremble, Sen. Perkins, Sen.

Pray, Sen. Webster

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

Murphy, Rep. Paradis

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The summaries of the Council's March 1 and March 8, 1988, meetings were approved and placed on file (Motion by Sen. Webster; second by Sen. Perkins; unanimous).

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Item #1: Resignation: Claire Pacquette, Secretary of Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Office.

Motion: That Ms. Pacquette's resignation be accepted with regret and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Clark; second by Rep. Gwadosky; unanimous).

Item #2: Recommendation to Award Step Increase to Haven
Whiteside, Deputy Director, Office of Policy and
Legal Analysis.

Motion: That this matter be referred to the Personnel Committee in accordance with Council policy. (Motion by Sen. Perkins; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

Item #3: Proposed Policy and Procedures Related to
Confidentiality of Legislative Workpapers pursuant
to 1 MRSA § 401 et seq (Draft Policy enclosed).

Ms. Diamond distributed a draft policy to Council members, noting that it represented the joint efforts of the Office Directors. Because it raises several important issues, she recommended that the Council consider tabling the item until members had had an opportunity to read it carefully.

Motion: That the item be tabled until the Council's March 22 meeting. (Motion Sen. Perkins; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Item #1: Committee on Allocation of Legislative Space

Sen. Pray, Committee Chair, reported that the Committee had met with the architects with the objective of identifying the specific projects to be undertaken during the coming interim. The architects have been asked to develop cost estimates for each of the projects to assist the Committee in developing its final recommendations for consideration by the full Council.

Copies of the list of projects under consideration were distributed, and Sen. Pray encouraged Council members to rank the projects in order of priority and return their completed form to Sally Diamond as soon as possible. Sen. Pray also reported that the Committee on State and Local Government has taken its final vote on the bill creating a State Capitol Commission, LD 148. The bill has been redrafted.

Motion: That the Council Chair be authorized to work with the Committee on behalf of the entire Council. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Webster; unanimous).

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Submission of Report Pursuant to Statute:

 Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance: Study of Nonprofit Service Agencies and Other Hard-to-Obtain Lines of Liability Insurance (authorized by Chapter 65 and Chapter 79, P. S. 1987).

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

Item #2: 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 3:36 p.m. (Motion by Sen. Dutremble; second by Sen. Webster; unanimous).