

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OCTOBER 5, 1988

### MEETING SUMMARY

APPROVED NOVEMBER 28, 1988

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order in the Council Chambers by the Chair, Senator Pray, at 4:15 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

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

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

#### Legislative Officers:

Sally Diamond	Executive Director, Legislative Council
Lynn Randall	State Law Librarian
Bent Schlosser	Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
Martha Freeman	Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
John H. Bailey	Information Systems Director

## SECRETARY'S REPORTS

The summary of the Council's September 14 and September 15, 1988, meetings were approved and placed on file. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 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:

John Knox, Legislative Analyst (Salary Range 10), from Step F to Step G, effective October 31, 1988.

Hartley Palleschi, Research Assistant (Salary Range 7), from Step B to Step C, effective October 3, 1988.

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

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Motion:** That the Council go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

The Legislative Council proceeded to go into Executive Session at 4:20 p.m.

## RECONVENE

The Legislative Council was reconvened by the Chair at 5:05 p.m.

## REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

## Personnel Committee

**Motion:** That the staffing plan proposed for the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis by Martha Freeman, Director, be approved. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

(Note: The proposal included the following):

- Organization of the Office staff into three working groups
- Appointment of 3 Principal Analysts, each of whom would have primary responsibility for one of the three working groups as well as a particular aspect of overall office administration. These are not new positions, but involve reclassification of two existing positions.
- Appoint of the following individuals to these three positions:
  - Julie Jones, Principal Analyst for Legal Services
  - Tim Glidden, Principal Analyst for Policy Research and Administration
  - David Elliott, Principal Analyst for Bill Drafting Coordination
- Conversion of one Research Assistant position to an Analyst position and appointment of Annika Lane to that position.

## OLD BUSINESS

None.

## NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Request for Additional Meetings of the Study Subcommittee on Municipal Solid Waste. (Letter from Rep. Carter, Study Committee Chair).

Rep. Carter's letter requested Council approval of two additional meetings, including a trip to a solid waste disposal site in New Hampshire.

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

Item #2: Notification of Disposal of Surplus Real Property pursuant to Statute. (Memoranda from John Cashwell, Director, Bureau of Forestry).

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

Item #3: Request for Technical Assistance from NCSL in Child Care/Early Childhood Education.

Rep. Martin reported that the members of both the Joint Standing Committee on Education and the Special Commission on Early Childhood Development & Education had been polled; and both committees have expressed support. Rep. Paradis pointed out the letter from Representatives Dellert and Pines expressing concern that appropriate Department of Education staff be involved in the project if Maine is selected as one of the recipients of an NCSL Technical Assistance award.

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

Item #4: Request from Helen Ginder for authorization to participate in a special seminar at Harvard University.

Motion: That the matter be referred to the Executive Director for action. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

Item #5: Legislative Ethics

Motion: That the presiding officers be authorized to engage the assistance of an attorney both for the purpose of addressing the issues raised in the preliminary report of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices and to work with the special panel appointed by the presiding officers; and that the total amount to be expended for this purpose not exceed \$10,000. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

#### ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m. upon the motion of Senator Dutremble.