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STATE OF MAINE

114th LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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REP. FRANCIS C. MARSANO

SARAH C. DIAMOND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MARCH 12, 1990

MEETING SUMMARY

APPROVED MARCH 20, 1990

CALL TO ORDER

The Legislative Council meeting was called to order in the Council Chambers by the Chair, Representative Martin, at 10:38 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators:

Sen. Pray, Sen. Clark, Sen. Webster, Sen.

Dutremble, Sen. Cahill

Representatives:

Rep. Martin, Rep. Mayo, Rep. Webster, Rep.

Gwadosky, Rep. Marsano

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

David Kennedy, Revisor of Statutes Joy O'Brien, Secretary of the Senate

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Summary of the March 5, 1990, Council meeting was accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Cahill, second by Sen. Pray; unanimous).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sally Diamond, Executive Director, brought Council members' attention to two items:

Item #1: Approved Step Increases

Ms. Diamond reported that she had approved a step increase for Elizabeth F. Bartlett, Administrative Secretary, Office of Fiscal and Program Review, (Salary Range 6), from Step G to Step Q, effective March 19, 1990, based on the favorable recommendation of her Office Director, Bent Schlosser. Ms. Diamond also noted that Elaine Choate, Senior Secretary in that same office, had completed another year of service, but is not yet eligible for advancement to the next step, which is a longevity step.

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

Item #2: Revisor's Drafting Status Report

David Kennedy noted that all of the After Deadline bills accepted by the Council at its meeting the previous week had been finally drafted and either referred to Committee or were awaiting sponsor signature.

Motion: That the Revisor's Report be accepted and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Clark; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Request for Funds for Additional Outside Consultation to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary regarding Malpractice Insurance and Related Tort Issues.

Council members had received a letter from the Judiciary Committee Chairs. Speaker Martin noted that neither of the Chairs was present at the meeting to respond to questions; he further noted that the funds

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requested by the Judiciary Committee were not available in the legislative budget. Rep. Marsano, who had been a member of the Oversight Committee appointed for the Study of Medical Malpractice Liability, agreed to discuss the request with the Committee Chairs and report to the Council at its next meeting.

Motion: That the request be tabled pending further discussion with the Committee Chairs. (Motion by Sen. Clark; second by Rep. Marsano; 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m. on the motion of Sen. Dutremble.