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M I N U T E S

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Legislative Council Chamber

December 18, 1974

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chairman at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Berry, MacLeod, Sewall

Representatives: Birt, Martin, Simpson

Staff: Mrs. Suzanne Havens, Chief of Legislative Staff
Miss Edith L. Hary, Law Librarian
Mr. David S. Silsby, Director, Legislative Research
Mr. Charles R. Priest, Assistant Director, Legislative
Research
Mr. William H. Garside, Legislative Finance Officer

Guests: Hon. Minnette H. Cummings
Hon. Mary Najarian
Hon. John McKernan
Hon. Neil Rolde
Hon. William Garsoe

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Sen. Berry: That the secretary's report be accepted as mailed with the exception that on page 6, the final motion should reflect that the motion was seconded by Sen. MacLeod instead of Representative Martin.

Seconded: Rep. Birt

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Letter from Governor-Elect James B. Longley accepting return of Maine Management and Cost Survey files.
2. Correspondence from Mrs. Clifford G. McIntire thanking the Council for resolution in memoriam of Hon. Clifford G. McIntire.
3. Letter concerning intern program from Dartmouth College.
4. Letter from Rhode Island General Assembly concerning a New England Legislative Conference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Legislative Administrative Director - Oral Report.
2. Legislative Staff - Oral report
3. Legislative Reorganization
Recommended rules changes and legislation
4. Collective Bargaining - Final report submitted on "Municipal Employees Labor Relations Law" HP 1574 (attached)
5. State Employees Collective Bargaining Designee - Oral report.
6. Disaster Planning - See attached interim report with recommendations
7. Excise Tax Study - No report
8. Appropriations & Financial Affairs - Oral report
9. Business Legislation - Final report on Assigned Risk Study submitted(HP 2033) (attached)
10. Education - No report
11. Health & Institutional Services - Correspondence from Committee Chairman is attached.
12. Human Resources - Studies complete.
13. Judiciary - Final reports submitted on "An Act Relating to Trespass on Certain Land Surrounding Lakes and other Bodies of Water - HP 1634, and an Order to study Initiative Referendum Process - HP 1644
14. Labor - Studies complete
15. Legal Affairs - Reports previously completed.
16. Liquor Control - No report
17. Natural Resources - No report
18. Public Lands - No report
19. Public Utilities - Work has been completed. Oral report.
20. State Government - No report
21. Taxation - Correspondence attached.
22. Transportation - No report
23. Veterans & Retirement - No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS (Continued)

MOTION

Rep. Martin: That the Committee Reports be accepted as presented.

Seconded: Sen. Berry

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

The chairman advised members that the Ethics Committee should meet prior to January 1st.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION

Sen. Berry: That the request from Dartmouth College concerning an intern program for the Legislature be referred to the new Legislative Council.

Seconded: Rep. Martin

Discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

Sen. Berry: That the proposal from the Rhode Island General Assembly requesting that a New England Legislative Conference be set up be referred to the next Legislative Council.

Seconded: Rep. Martin

Discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

Sen. MacLeod: That the request from the University of Maine's Librarian in Orono for printouts available through the Legislative Information Office be granted and that the information be made available at no cost as part of our services for the 107th Maine Legislature.

Seconded: Sen. Sewall

Discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

Rep. Martin: That we move into executive session.

Seconded: Sen. MacLeod

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

Rep. Martin: That we rise from executive session

Seconded: Sen. Sewall

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION

Rep. Martin: That all requests for salary increases as presented by the Legislative Finance Director and Legislative Staff be referred to the next Legislative Council.

Seconded: Sen. Sewall

Discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council adjourned its meeting at noon.