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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
October 17, 1980

CALL TO ORDER

A scheduled meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327, and called to order by Sen. Richard H. Pierce, Chairman, at 2:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Conley, Sen. Katz, Sen. Pierce, Sen. Pray,
Sen. Sewall

Representatives: Rep. Garsoe, Rep. Martin, Rep. Mitchell,
Rep. Tarbell

Staff: William Garside - Legislative Administrative Director
David S. Silsby - Legislative Research Director
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer
Helen Ginder - Legislative Assistant Coordinator
Edith Hary - Law Librarian

Guests: Steve Diamond - Deputy Attorney General
Carl Weston, III - Central Computer Services

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved to accept the minutes of the meeting of September 19, 1980 as presented.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Garsoe and carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Rep. Georgette Berube, Chairman of the Maine-Canadian Advisory Council submitted to the council, for approval, a recommendation for a one-step merit increase for Donat Boisvert, Director, Maine-Canadian Legislative Advisory Office.

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Donat Boisvert	\$288.08	\$302.48	7/16/80

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request for the recommended merit increase be approved.

The motion was seconded and carried. One opposed.

William Garside, Legislative Administrative Director, recommended the Council's approval for merit increases for the following employees:

	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Jonathan Hull	\$416.17	\$435.48	9/13/80
Kevin Madigan	\$338.84	\$358.17	9/26/80
Ronald H. Lord	\$644.30	\$675.90	10/18/80
David S. Silsby	\$644.30	\$675.90	10/18/80
Edith L. Hary	\$644.30	\$675.90	10/18/80

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request for the recommended merit increases be approved.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously. Further discussion.

Rep. Martin recommended the Council's approval for a one-step increase for William Garside, Legislative Administrative Director, from \$714.57 to \$749.67 to become effective October 18, 1980.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request for the recommended merit increase be approved.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously.

Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistant Coordinator, submitted to the Council a letter of resignation from Jonathan Hull, effective December, 1980, and requested permission to hire a replacement for him.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter of resignation be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Sewall and carried unanimously. Further discussion.

The Council further expressed their appreciation to Jonathan Hull and directed a letter be sent to him from the Council expressing their thanks.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that Helen Ginder be authorized to hire a replacement for the vacated position.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously.

Helen Ginder, also presented a letter from Christine Holden, Legislative Assistant, concerning an invitation to attend a workshop at the Institute on Man and Science in Rensselaerville, New York from November 16th to November 22, 1980. No action required.

Also presented was a request from Lars Rydell to attend the New England Wide Conference on Early and Periodic Screening and Diagnosis and Treatment Program and School Health Services Conference to be held in Somerville, Massachusetts on November 5th and November 6th, 1980, the cost to be about \$177.00.

MOTION

Rep. Mitchell moved to accept the request for Lars Rydell to attend the conference.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously.

David Silsby, Legislative Research Director, recommended the Council's approval for a one-step merit increase for Charlotte Carrie from \$278.84 to \$291.60 to become effective October 18, 1980.

MOTION

Rep. Garsoe moved that the request for the recommended merit increase be approved.

The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Edwin Pert, Clerk of the House, was submitted to the Council concerning document service charges.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the fees schedule be accepted with a notation that the rates may have to be increased if postal increases occurs.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Pray and carried unanimously.

Letter of information from Governor Joseph E. Brennan regarding Federal Assistance Award Data System was received and placed on file. (No action necessary.)

William Garside provided the Council with three proposals for a Pre-Legislative Conference on December 2, 1980.

After some discussion proposal number I was accepted.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved to accept proposal number I as presented.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and carried unanimously.

David Silsby presented a report on Rules and Procedures for the Council's consideration. The report suggested a temporary schedule to guide the 110th Legislature until it convenes and takes appropriate action.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the temporary schedule be accepted and distributed to all parties concerned and that study legislation be submitted by January 1, 1981, as amended.
Further discussion.

In response to questions by the Council, concerning distribution, the Director indicated that he would be notifying all members-elect by letter as in the past.

The motion was seconded by Rep. Garsoe and carried unanimously.

Mr. Silsby submitted a report to the Council on expanding the On-Line Computer Services to include the private sector. Carl Weston of Central Computer Systems and Steve Diamond of the Attorney General's Office answered questions on the various mechanical and legal aspects of the proposed expansion of the system.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that this matter be referred to the next Legislature and the Judiciary Committee.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Rep. Martin informed the Council that he had received the Report of the Judicial Department audit which was completed June 30, 1979 and made available to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House. He further informed the Council that the President and Speaker will have staff review the law and then copies will be distributed to the members of the Legislature.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Motion was made that the Council meeting be adjourned. (2:50 P.M.)

The motion was duly seconded and unanimously approved.