

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
February 1, 1983

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Legislative Council Chambers, Room 327 and called to order by Chairman Charles P. Pray at 1:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Carpenter, Sen. Collins, Sen. Conley  
Sen. Gill, Sen. Pray

Representatives: Rep. Davis, Rep. Diamond, Rep.  
Higgins, Rep. Martin, Rep. Mitchell

Legislative Officers and Staff:

William Garside - Acting Leg. Administrative Director  
Ronald Lord - Legislative Finance Officer  
Sarah Diamond - Legislative Administrative Director  
Martha Palmer - Law Librarian  
David Silsby - Legislative Research Director

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the minutes of January 13, 1983 be accepted.

Rep. Diamond seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND STAFF REPORTS

A letter from Martha Palmer, Law Librarian, requesting approval to appoint Lynn Randall, as Deputy Law Librarian at a salary range of \$419.47 per week effective February 1, 1983, was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be approved.

Sen. Carpenter seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

David Silsby, Legislative Research Director, submitted a letter from the Department of Conservation requesting access to the Honeywell Legislative Bill Status System.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be approved.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A study report from the Maine Forest Fire Control Study Commission was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the report be accepted and placed on file.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A tabled memo from Helen Ginder, Legislative Assistants Director, concerning production costs of the film of the State House, estimated at \$215.00 per tape, was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the matter be referred to the Legislative Administrative Director.

Rep. Higgins seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

After deadline bills (see attached list) were presented to the Council and voted upon.

A letter from the Statehouse News Association requesting use of Room 502 was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the request be approved.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

A letter from the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C. was submitted to the Council.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the letter be approved.

Rep. Davis seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Rep. Martin brought to the Council's attention that the Clerk of the House, Assistant Clerk of the House, the Secretary of the Senate and the Assistant Secretary of the Senate's salaries have never been set.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the salaries be set for the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate in Range 32, step F, at a salary of \$31,262.40 per year and that the salaries for the Assistant Secretary of the Senate and the Assistant Clerk of the House, be set in Range 24, step F, at a salary of \$22,796.80 per year effective December 1, 1982. Discussion followed.

The motion was seconded by Sen. Conley and a vote was taken with 8 yeas and 2 nays, motion carried.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the partisan assistants salary scale be repealed.

Sen. Conley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

MOTION

Rep. Martin moved that the partisan assistants be paid at a rate to be set as other partisan employees are set.

Rep. Mitchell seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Sen. Gill moved that the Council meeting be adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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