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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

April 17, 1986

MEETING SUMMARY

(Approved and placed on file
June 18, 1986)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order in the Council Chambers by the Chairman, John N. Diamond, at 10:25 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators: Sen. Clark, Sen. Gill, Sen. Pray, Sen. Violette
Absent: Sen. Perkins

Representatives: Rep. Davis, Rep. Diamond, Rep. Hayden, Rep. Martin, Rep. Murphy

Legislative Officers:

Sally Diamond	Executive Director, Legislative Council
Lynn Randall	Acting Law Librarian
Bent Schlosser	Director, Office of Fiscal and Program Review
Helen Ginder	Director, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
David Silsby	Revisor of Statutes

SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No report.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Item #1: Committee on Allocation of Legislative Space

Sen. Pray, Committee Chair, reported that the Committee had reviewed the plan for redesigning the Office of the Executive Director whose purpose is to make room for an additional staff member.

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

Item #2: Personnel Committee

Rep. Martin, Committee Chair, recommended that the position of Associate Law Librarian which was established as a project position for the purpose of cataloguing the Law Library's collection, be extended for one year. He noted that the Committee's recommendation was based on the fact the Jane Edwards, who occupies this position, has been diverted from the special project due to the extended vacancy in the position of Law Librarian.

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

Rep. Martin also recommended the approval of the proposal from NCSL for the study of legislative staff compensation.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Allocation of Budgets for Interim Studies

Agriculture: Study of Farm & Open Space Law

Number of meetings: 3

Number of members: 5

Motion by: Rep. Martin; second by Rep. Hayden; unanimous

Business and Commerce: Enabling the Availability
of Credit through Finance Companies in the
State

Number of meetings: 1
Number of members: full committee
Motion by: Rep. Martin; second by Sen.
Violette; unanimous

Education: Substitute Teacher Compensation

Number of meetings: 2
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Sen. Pray; second by Rep. Martin;
unanimous

Energy and Natural Resources: To Investigate the
Implementation of the Wood Measurement Law

Number of meetings: 4
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Sen. Pray; second by Sen.
Violette; unanimous

Human Resources: Proposed Driver Education
Evaluation Program Study (DEEP)

Number of meetings: 3
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Sen. Violette; second by Rep.
Davis; unanimous

Human Resources: Study Proposal on Insurance Pools
for High Risk Groups

Number of meetings: 4
Number of members: 7
Motion by: Sen. Pray; second by Sen.
Violette; unanimous

Legal Affairs: Recodification of the Liquor Laws,
Title 28, MRSA

Number of meetings: 3
Number of members: 3
Motion by: Sen. Clark; second by Rep. Martin;
unanimous

Local and County Government: Recodification of
Title 30

Number of meetings: 3
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Sen. Clark; second by Sen.
Violette; unanimous

Marine Resources: Mussel Industry and Related
Conservation Issues

Number of meetings: 5
Number of members: 4
Motion by: Sen. Pray; second by Rep. Murphy;
unanimous

State Government: Legislative Veto of
Administrative Rules

Number of meetings: 3
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Rep. Martin; second by Sen.
Violette; unanimous

Transportation: Government Subsidy of
Transportation Modes in Maine

Number of meetings: 4
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark;
unanimous

Utilities: Electric Power Transmission & Purchases

Number of meetings: 4
Number of members: 5
Motion by: Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Pray;
unanimous

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Submission of Final Report on Study of Health Insurance for Retired State Employees and Retired Teachers from the Joint standing Committee on Aging, Retirement, and Veterans (letter from Sen. Gauvreau, Study Committee Chair)

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

Item #2: Study request from Joint Standing Committee on State Government: Legislative Veto of Executive Branch Rules

Motion: That the Committee's request be approved (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Violette; unanimous).

Item #3: David Silsby, Revisor of Statutes

Rep. Diamond informed members of the Council that Mr. Silsby

Motion: That the Executive Director arrange to have a pink gloxinia plant sent to Mr. Silsby (Motion by Rep. Diamond; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).

Item #4: Deadline for Committee Work on Authorized Studies

Council members discussed the need to establish a deadline for Committee work on the studies just authorized so that staff have time to complete bill drafts and final reports before they begin general drafting.

Motion: That all Committees be notified that they must complete all work on their studies no later than September 30, 1986.

ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. (Motion by Rep. Martin; second by Sen. Clark; unanimous).