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STATE OF MAINE

116th LEGISLATURE

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 30, 1993

MEETING SUMMARY

Approved April 6, 1993

CALL TO ORDER

The Council meeting was called to order by the Chair, Rep. Gwadosky, at 3:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Senators:	Sen. Dutremble, Sen. Esty, Sen. Cahill, Sen. Bustin, Sen. Carpenter
Representatives:	Speaker Martin, Rep. Gwadosky, Rep. Whitcomb, Rep. Paradis, Rep. Zirnkilton
Legislative Officers:	Sally Tubbesing, Executive Director, Lynn Randall, State Law Librarian John Wakefield, 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 Joseph Mayo, Clerk of the House

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Summary of the March 16, 1993, Council meeting was approved and placed on file. (Motion by Sen. Dutremble; second by Sen. Cahill; unanimous).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sally Tubbesing noted that David Kennedy and Martha Freeman were prepared to give Council members a general status report on both bill drafting and committee work at the appropriate time. The Chair asked the two Office Directors to proceed.

Mr. Kennedy reported that of the 2,250 legislative instruments filed to date, only 150 remain to be drafted, of which 103 are pre-cloture bills. Ms. Freeman noted that the work load had now shifted to the committees. She reported that while committees were, at this point, keeping pace with the session 2 years ago, they still have about 80% of the total bills referred before them. She suggested that the Council consider establishing staggered deadlines for completion of committee work as previous Councils had, noting that this has been a useful way to encourage the small workload committees to complete their work so their staff can be reassigned to the larger committees. Sen. Dutremble observed that the Committee workload had been increased this year by the new rules related to consideration of the budget. Ms. Freeman concurred, noting that most committees had already reached the level of activity that usually comes only in the closing weeks of the session.

The Chair, Rep. Gwadosky, thanked Ms. Freeman and Mr. Kennedy for their reports and asked that they keep Council members posted.

No formal Council action was required on this item.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Legislative Budget Committee

The Chair, Sen. Dutremble, reported that the Committee would be meeting.

Personnel Committee

Rep. Gwadosky, Committee Chair, reported that he would be scheduling a meeting within the next week to review the draft regarding the development of a Sick Leave Bank.

OLD BUSINESS

Item #1: Revenue Forecasting Committee Created by Executive Order 4 FY 92/93. (Tabled at February 2 Council meeting)

Motion: That this item be placed on file. (Motion by Speaker Martin; second by Sen. Dutremble; unanimous).

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: After Deadline Bill 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 Council meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m., on the motion of Sen. Cahill.