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117th MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MEETING SUMMARY

March 22, 1995

Approved May 5, 1995

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Senator Amero, called the Council to order at 11:54 a.m. (following a work session on the legislative budget).

ROLL CALL

Senators:	President Butland, Sen. Kieffer, Sen. Bustin, Sen. Amero Absent: Sen. Lawrence
Representatives:	Speaker Gwadosky, Rep. Jacques, Rep. Whitcomb, Rep. Mitchell, Rep. Carleton
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REPORTS FROM COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Committee on Allocation and Improvement of Legislative Facilities

Rep. Mitchell, Committee Chair, reported that members of the Committee had discussed the need for additional working space for members of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Referring to a diagram of both the space currently assigned to the Committee Chairs and of adjacent space which had previously been occupied by staff for the Committee on Audit & Program Review, she reported the Committee's unanimous recommendation that the space formerly assigned to the 2 Analysts be converted to a general working area for all members of the Committee and that Room 233, the office previously occupied by Cheryl Ring, be returned to the Information Systems staff.

Motion: That the Committee's report be accepted. (Motion by Rep. Jacques; second by Sen. Kieffer; unanimous).

NEW BUSINESS

Item #1: Requests for Council Approval to Introduce After Deadline Bills

The Chair, Senator Amero, drew members' attention to a list of three bill requests that had been filed by the newly-elected Representative Michael Saxl. Following brief discussion that the Council should consider establishing a policy regarding bill filing by members who are elected to fill vacancies, the Council voted unanimously to approve the introduction of all 3 requests. A summary of the Council's action on these requests is attached to this meeting summary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS

Members agreed to reconvene their work session at 3 p.m. that afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT

The Council meeting was adjourned at 12 noon.