

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON RULES

Call to Order: By Chairman Harper, on January 18, 1989 at 2:45 PM.

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rep. Hal Harper, Rep. Kelly Addy, Rep. Dave Brown, Rep. Jerry Driscoll, Rep. John Mercer, Rep. Jack Ramirez, Rep. John Vincent, Rep. Joe. Quilici, and Rep. Dennis Iverson.

Members Absent: Rep. Tom Hannah

Staff Present: Bob Person, Legislative Council

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS:

##### I. SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1

A Joint Resolution of the Senate and The House To Adopt Joint Rules To Govern Their Proceedings.

Senator Del Gage spoke as a proponent on behalf of the Senate Rules Committee, which did not amend the rules, and explained the following:

1. These rules do not bind the next legislative session.
2. Added "Appendix A" to provide a handy reference of questions which require more than a majority vote.
3. Does provide for a revenue estimating committee.

Rep. John Vincent passed out a printed proposed amendment to SJR 1 providing provisions for oversight of permanent legislative agencies. This idea was presented to the House and Senate leadership during an interim meeting with administration and legislative agencies. Rep. Marks thinks this is not strong enough. Vincent explained the committee would have only informal authority under this amendments, hiring and firing can only be handled by legislative leadership.

Rep. Mercer said he though this was an excellent idea and it should be done, but wondered if the committee shouldn't adopt joint rules and then add the amendment as a separate bill.

MOTION - By Rep Kelly Addy: I move that Senate Joint Resolution 1 be concurred in. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

MOTION - By Rep. John Vincent: I move the committee draft and introduce as a bill the language contained in the proposed amendment. Motion carried with Rep. Brown voting no.

II. House Bill 40  
Establish Five Bill Limit by Constitutional Amendment.

Rep. Daily described his bill as addressing the need to spend less time on frivolous issues, relieve stress to members, and reduce the bills request load for Legislative Council.

C.B. Pearson of Montana Common Cause spoke as an opponent.

MOTION; By Rep. Quilici: I move the Committee table HB 40. Motion CARRIED by unanimous vote.

III. House Bill 52  
Defining a Legislative Day, Revise the Method of Computing Legislators' Compensation, Granting Increased Compensation and Expense Reimbursement for Legislative Leadership.

Rep. Rehberg spoke on the purposes of the bill, which was requested by the Legislative Reorganization and Improvement Commission composed of public and legislative members. The bill will compensate legislative leaders for extra expenses associated with leadership work, and give legislators from the far corners of the state assistance with costly travel expenses.

Proponents speaking were Roger Tippy, Kay Foster, Mike Voller and Roland Pratt, members of the LRIC Committee

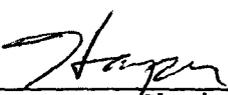
The fiscal impacts of the bill as presented, wording of the bill regarding "legislative days", and the intent of the bill were thoroughly discussed by the Committee and the sponsor.

Rep. Harper proposed the Committee take under advisement the portion of the amendment still unclear after today's discussion. General agreement by the members, no formal vote.

MOTION - By Rep. Driscoll: On page 3, line 14, change "three" to "five". On page 4, line 22, change "1990" to "1991". Motion CARRIED by unanimous vote.

Adjournment at 4:00 PM.

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Hal Harper, Chairman

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HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL

DATE: 1-18-89

ROOM: 420

TIME: 2:45

	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED	
HARPER, Hal (D), Chairman	✓			
VINCENT, John (D), Vice Chair	✓			
ADDY, Kelly (D)	✓			
BROWN, Dave (D)	✓			
DRISCOLL, Jerry, (D)	✓			
QUILICI, Joe (D)	✓			
HANNAH, Tom (R)		✓		
IVERSON, Dennis (R)	✓			
MERCER, John (R)	✓			
RAMIREZ, Jack (R)	✓			

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on Rules report that SENATE  
JOINT RESOLUTION 1 (third reading copy as introduced -- blue)  
be concurred in.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Hal Harper, Chairman

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Amendments to Senate Joint Resolution No. 1  
Third Reading Copy

Requested by John Vincent

Prepared by Robert Person  
January 12, 1989

1. Page 10, line 21.

Following: line 21

Insert: "30-70. Oversight of permanent legislative agencies. The

President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and the minority leaders of the Senate and the House comprise a legislative management committee which shall meet from time to time at the request of one of its members to review and oversee the activities of joint agencies and committees of the legislative branch established by law or resolution. The committee may consider, without limitation, matters concerning jurisdictional disputes between joint agencies and committees, agency salary schedules and employment policies, and any other matter bearing upon the efficient operation of the legislative branch. The committee may make such recommendations as it chooses to the appropriate authority or the legislature."

FOR REVIEW ONLY

ACTUALLY BASED ON FIRST READING VERSION

LINE NUMBERS MAY BE WRONG

NOT ON "E"

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DATE: January 23, 1989  
TO: Representative Dennis Rehberg  
FROM: Roger Tippy  
RE: House Bill 52 - Amendments

p. 1, line 21  
Following: day  
Insert: "(i)"

p. 1, line 22  
Following: meets,  
Insert: "and (ii) the presiding officer of that house has  
designated such meeting to constitute a legislative  
day,"

p. 2, line 18  
Following: session.  
Insert: "The weekly salary shall be prorated in any week  
when each house is not in session more than one  
day, including Sunday, by dividing the number of  
days each house is in session by six."

7. Page 2, line 13.  
Following: "legislature is in"  
Insert: "special"

8. Page 2, line 16.  
Strike: "\$30"  
Insert: "\$5"

9. Page 2, line 17.  
Strike: "week"  
Insert: "day"  
Strike: "each week"  
Insert: "those days"

10. Page 2, line 18.  
Following: "legislature is in"  
Insert: "special"

11. Page 3, line 14.  
Strike: "three"  
Insert: "five"

12. Page 4, line 13.  
Strike: Section 4 in its entirety  
Renumber: subsequent section

13. Page 4, line 17.  
Strike: "Effectives"  
Insert: "Effective"

14. Page 4, line 18.  
Strike: "Section 1, section 2(3), section 3,"  
Insert: "Section 1(6)(a)"

15. Page 4, line 22.  
Strike: "Section 2(1) is"  
Insert: "Sections 1(1), 1(2), 1(4), and section 2 are"  
Strike: "1990"  
Insert: "1991"