

January 11, 1977

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS:

A meeting of the House Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee was held on Tuesday, January 11, 1977 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 431 of the State Capitol. All members were present except Rep. Kimble, who was excused.

HOUSE BILL 30 was the only bill heard. The sponsor Rep. Bardonoue was unable to present the bill, so Mr. John Bobinski from Legislative Council explained it. What recodification is and what the bill does is referred to in the attached handout. This is not a recodification bill, but is only preparing for the 1979 legislative session, during which a complete recodification bill will be submitted. This bill is mainly a housekeeping bill, and is written pursuant to the Code Commissioner's mandate. There are no substantive changes in the bill; however Mr. Bobinski explained some of the more confusing changes in order to clarify as to their purposes. The green attachment to the bill goes through each amendment section by section.

During the bill's forming stages, a misunderstanding arose concerning sections 80-2701 and 80-2702. In a letter received from the Department of Institutions it was explained that there had been some confusion in that the Department had thought that section 80-2708 was being amended, and this would mean the loss of federal funding. Mr. Nick Rotering from the Dept. of Institutions spoke and explained his position as chief counsel. There is after all no substantive change to the act and the bill as it stands meets the Department's approval. One part of the bill, however, concerning section 38-210 of the R.C.M.'s, proposes to dress up the language of this act and the Department would rather just see the entire act repealed. If HOUSE BILL 30 were amended to do this, an additional bill would not be necessary.

There were no other proponents. There were no opponents. There were no questions. The committee then went into executive session.

The following amendments were proposed - see standing committee report. The motion to adopt all proposed amendments was made by Rep. Gould and seconded by Rep. Wyrick. Motion carried unanimously. Rep. Cooney then moved DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was then adjourned. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 18.

Wm 'Red' Menahan
Chairman Red Menahan

Debbie Johnson
Secretary