

TAXATION COMMITTEE
45TH LEGISLATURE

On February 24, 1977, at 8:00 a.m. Rep. Herb Huennekens, Chairman of the Taxation Committee called the meeting to order in room 434 of the Capitol Building, Helena. All members of the committee were present. This was an executive meeting.

HOUSE BILL 231 - This bill would change the date the department of revenue would furnish tax valuation information to local governments to the 2nd Monday in May. This was unworkable with the DOR, and proposed amendments to change the date to February was unworkable to the industry. Present law sets the date as the first week in April, which date is acceptable to the industry.

Rep. Fabrega moved that HOUSE BILL 231 DO NOT PASS. The motion carried with Representatives Lien, Vincent and Fagg absent, and all other members voting for a DO NOT PASS recommendation.

HOUSE BILL 599 - Representative Verner Bertelsen moved that HB 699 be recommended by the committee as DO PASS. Rep. Dassinger moved amendments, copy of which is attached, be adopted. Motion was unanimously adopted. Motion for HOUSE BILL 599 to be recommended DO PASS AS AMENDED, was unanimously adopted by the committee.

HOUSE BILL 552 - Rep. Ernie Dassinger moved amendments to HB 552 as proposed be adopted. Copy is attached. Recommendation was adopted unanimously; Rep. Fagg was absent. Rep. Dassinger moved that HOUSE BILL 552 AS AMENDED DO PASS. Representatives Elmer Severson, Verner Bertelsen, Mel Underdal, Jack Uhde voted No; Rep. Fagg was absent, so motion of AS AMENDED DO PASS carried 11 - 4.

HOUSE BILL 85 - Rep. Dassinger recommended HB 85 DO PASS. The motion carried by all 17 members of the committee.

HOUSE BILL 191 - Rep. Fagg moved that HB 191 be removed from tabling status. Motion was adopted. Rep. Fagg moved that HOUSE BILL 191 DO NOT PASS. Motion carried with all members voting for DO NOT PASS except Reps. Severson and Underdal who voted No.

HOUSE BILL 706 - Rep. Sivertsen moved that HB 706 be removed from tabling status. Motion unanimously adopted. Rep. Sivertsen moved that HOUSE BILL 706 DO PASS. Motion carried unanimously. Reps. Dassinger, Lien, Vincent and Hirsch were not present.

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HOUSE BILL 281 - Rep. Dan Harrington moved that HOUSE BILL 281 DO NOT PASS. Rep. Jack Uhde made a substitute motion that HB 281 DO PASS. With Rep. Uhde voting Yes, and all other members voting No on the Do Pass motion, the motion failed. So HOUSE BILL 281 recommendation will be DO NOT PASS.

Rep. Steve Waldron had moved proposed amendments to HB 281 be adopted. The amendments would just repeal keno. With Waldron voting Yes, Reps. Lien, Hirsch, Vincent and Dassinger absent, and all other members voting No, the motion on amendments had failed.

HOUSE BILL 555 - Rep. Robert Sivertsen moved that HOUSE BILL 555 DO NOT PASS. Rep. Fabrega made a substitute motion that HOUSE BILL 555 DO PASS in order to consider proposed amendments. Because of lack of time to properly consider the amendments and HB 555, the committee passed consideration of this bill for the day.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.



REP. HERB HUENNEKENS, CHAIRMAN

For copy of amendments, please refer to Standing Committee Reports in Book #1