

MINUTES OF MEETING  
HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE  
MONTANA STATE LEGISLATURE

April 15, 1977

The meeting of the House Rules Committee was called to order by Rep. Meloy, Chairman, on the above date in Room 343 at 2:25 P.M.

Members of the committee present were:

Rep. Bradley	Rep. Marks
Rep. Driscoll	Rep. Meloy
Rep. Kvaalen	Rep. Moore

Representatives Bardanouve, Brand, and Fagg were absent.

Also present was Ms. Diana Dowling from the Legislative Council.

Rep. Meloy explained that he had asked Ms. Dowling to explain Senate Bill 450 which was before the committee for consideration.

Ms. Dowling said that when they recodified the firemen's provisions in the laws, they enacted a new definitional section. When another bill went through, it provided that funds would go into the agency fund. This bill amends the first bill to define "fund" as an agency account so that wherever it appears it will be defined right. She explained that agency funds do not belong to the state, that the rights are vested in someone else. There is a conflict and the first bill was signed by the governor.

Rep. Meloy said that this just confirms the new section so that both laws read the same.

Ms. Dowling explained that the amendments just strike out duplicate wording and clarified that the funds were dispersed by the state as a custodial agent.

Rep. Moore moved that Senate Bill 450 do pass.

A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Peter M. Meloy, Chairman

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. Speaker,

## Rules

We, your committee on.....

## Senate

having had under consideration ..... Bill No. .... 450....

**A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN CHAPTER 95 OF LAWS, 1977, AND SECTIONS 19, 21, and 29 OF  
CHAPTER 157 OF LAWS, 1977, REGARDING THE AGENCY FUND AND THE  
VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S FUND."**

## Senate

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Respectfully report as follows: That..... Bill No. ....

DO PASS