

MINUTES

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

The Joint Rules Committee met in room 331 of the capitol on January 4, 1977. Senator Stan Stephens called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. All members were present. Also present were Joann Woodgerd, office of the Secretary of State; Mr. Frank Adams, Great Falls Tribune; Rosie Weber, Director of the Legislative Council, Nancy Aagenes, Secretary of the Senate, and Senator Thomas Towe.

Senator Stephens informed the group that an agreement had been reached involving the chairmanship of the committee. The Senate is split 25/25 but the House had a majority of democrats, so they felt that the chairmanship should be given to a democrat. He then turned the meeting over to Senator Murphy, who will be the chairman.

Senator Murphy asked Mrs. Weber to explain the rule changes recommended in the Joint Rules meeting held prior to the convening of the Legislature. Mrs. Weber then explained the recommended changes. These changes are attached to the minutes as Appendix 1. Senator Hazelbaker moved that the changes to amend JR3-2, 3-11, 3-14, 6-6, 6-7, 6-19, 6-20, 7-4, 7-8 and 8-1 be approved. ^{§-2 Appendix 1} Senator Kvaalen seconded the motion. A lengthy discussion followed.

Representative Meloy moved that JR7-8 be amended to read, "a period (.) after the word 'time' in the last paragraph. A new sentence to start with 'Failure to make the announcement', strike out the word 'and' then the rest of the sentence continues as is. The motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote.

The discussion then returned to Senator Hazelbaker's previous motion before the committee. The question was called and the motion was approved by a voice vote, including the changes in JR7-8.

Representative Driscoll then moved that JR3-14 be modified. After considerable discussion, the wording of the motion was agreed upon. The motion will read "Contracts for purchase or lease of equipment and supplies made by the business manager during the legislative session shall be made on the approval of the legislative administration committee of each house, subject to the review of the presiding officer of the respective house."

The discussion then centered around how the purchasing was done and what changes were needed and why they were needed. Representative Bardanouve felt that if the business manager was trusted to purchase supplies before the session, that person should be trusted to purchase supplies during the session. He also stated that he felt they would be losing control of expenditures. Senator Hazelbaker stated that as it stands now, anyone could order supplies. Senator McOmber felt that no one in the Senate had abused the privilege. He felt that each house should be responsible for its purchases during the session. Senator Thiessen wanted the procedure of purchasing explained more fully. Senator Stephens stated that it is a common business practice to hire a purchasing agent. Representative Driscoll said that he felt legislators should go to their peers rather than a staff person.

Further discussion then centered around what expenditures the bill covered and where the purchasing requests were to start.

Senator Towe suggested that the rule be made as a new JR3-15 instead of adding subparagraph (5) to JR3-14. The motion was then amended to make it a new rule. The motion was seconded by Senator Turnage and approved by a vote of 13 aye's and 4 no's.

Senator Roberts then moved that JR7-1(2) be deleted in its entirety. The motion was seconded by Senator Turnage and approved unanimously by a voice vote.

Representative Meloy moved that a change in the rules previously recommended in the December 17th meeting be approved. A new Joint Rule 7-11 to read, "Accredited press representatives may not be excluded from any public legislative meeting or hearing and may not be prohibited from taking photographs, televising, or recording the committee or house hearings, subject to the discretion of the presiding officer in all matters of decorum and order." After a brief discussion, it was seconded by Senator Roberts and the motion was approved by a vote of 12 aye's and 5 no's.

A discussion was held on the addition to JR8-8. Joann Woodgerd explained the addition to the rule, by stating that a clarification of who should receive free sets of legislative proceedings was needed.

Representative Bardanouve moved that the addition be approved as a new paragraph, attached to minutes as Appendix 2, seconded by Representative Driscoll. The motion carried unanimously.

Senator Roberts moved that a new paragraph be added to JR6-6 to read as follows: "A bill which results from an interim study committee may be introduced in the name of the interim committee. The chairman of the interim committee, or a member designated by him, shall manage the bill." A brief discussion was then held and Representative Bardanouve seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved unanimously.

Senator Murphy then announced to the group that the Secretary of the Senate had copies of the State of the State message to be given by Governor Judge on January 5, 1977.

Representative Driscoll questioned the wisdom of having no limit on revenue bills. A discussion followed. Senator Mathers stated that a definition of a revenue bill should be in the rules. He then moved that a new paragraph be added to JR6-34, inserted after the first paragraph to read, "A revenue bill is one which would either increase or decrease tax collections." The motion was seconded by Senator Turnage and approved by a vote of 15 aye's and 2 no's.

Senator Turnage then requested that another meeting be held soon to consider a new joint rule.

There was no further business. Senator Murphy adjourned the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann F. Owens
Jo Ann F. Owens, Secretary

Date approved 1/14/77

Terry Murphy
Senator Terry Murphy, Chairman

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON Amended - JR 3-2, 3-11, 3-14, 3-6, 4-7, 4-19, 4-20, 7-4 DATE 4/4/77
7-8, 8-2, 8-20

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
		SENATE MEMBERS			
✓		HAZELBAKER, Frank			
✓		McCOMBER, Gordon			
✓		MATHERS, Bill			
✓		MURPHY, Terry <i>Chairman</i>			
✓		ROBERTS, Joe			
✓		STEPHENS, Stan,			
✓		THIESSEN, Cornie			
✓		TURNAGE, Jean			
		HOUSE MEMBERS			
✓		BARDANOUVE, Francis			
✓		BRADLEY, Dorothy M.			
✓		BRAND, Joe			
✓		DRISCOLL, John			
<i>late</i>	late	FAGG, Harrison			
✓		KVAALLEN, Oscar S.			
✓		MARKS, Robert L.			
✓		MELOY, Peter M. (Mike)			
✓		MOORE, Jack K.			

Robert J. Owens
 Secretary

MOTION:

*Amendments attached
 as appendix 1
 J.R. 7-8 amended*

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON #3

DATE 1/4/77

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
		SENATE MEMBERS			
		HAZELBAKER, Frank	✓		
		McCOMBER, Gordon	✓		
		MATHERS, Bill	✓		
		MURPHY, Terry		✓	
		ROBERTS, Joe	✓		
		STEPHENS, Stan,	✓		
		THIESSEN, Cornie		✓	
		TURNAGE, Jean	✓		
		HOUSE MEMBERS			
		BARDANOUE, Francis		✓	
		BRADLEY, Dorothy M.		✓	
		BRAND, Joe	✓		
		DRISCOLL, John	✓		
		FAGG, Harrison	✓		
		KVAALEN, Oscar S.	✓		
		MARKS, Robert L.	✓		
		MELOY, Peter M. (Mike)	✓		
		MOORE, Jack K.	✓		

MOTION:

New Rule JR 3-15

~~Approved~~


J. Owens
 Secretary

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON # 5

DATE 1/4/77

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
		SENATE MEMBERS			
		HAZELBAKER, Frank	✓		
		MCOMBER, Gordon		✓	
		MATHERS, Bill	✓		
		MURPHY, Terry		✓	
		ROBERTS, Joe	✓		
		STEPHENS, Stan,	✓		
		THIESSEN, Cornie		✓	
		TURNAGE, Jean		✓	
		HOUSE MEMBERS			
		BARDANOUE, Francis	✓		
		BRADLEY, Dorothy M.	✓		
		BRAND, Joe	✓		
		DRISCOLL, John	✓		
		FAGG, Harrison	✓		
		KVAALLEN, Oscar S.	✓		
		MARKS, Robert L.	✓		
		MELOY, Peter M. (Mike)	✓		
		MOORE, Jack K.		✓	

Robert F. Owens
Secretary

MOTION:

*new rule**GR 7-11*

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON #6

DATE _____

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
		SENATE MEMBERS			
		HAZELBAKER, Frank	✓		
		McOMBER, Gordon	✓		
		MATHERS, Bill	✓		
		MURPHY, Terry	✓		
		ROBERTS, Joe	✓		
		STEPHENS, Stan,	✓		
		THIESSEN, Cornie	✓		
		TURNAGE, Jean	✓		
		HOUSE MEMBERS			
		BARDANOUVE, Francis	✓		
		BRADLEY, Dorothy M.	✓		
		BRAND, Joe	✓		
		DRISCOLL, John	✓		
		FAGG, Harrison	✓		
		KVAALLEN, Oscar S.	✓		
		MARKS, Robert L.	✓		
		MELOY, Peter M. (Mike)	✓		
		MOORE, Jack K.	✓		

MOTION:

Secretary _____

amend JR 8-8
 appendix 2
 new paragraph

JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON

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DATE

1/4/77

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
		SENATE MEMBERS			
		HAZELBAKER, Frank	✓		
		MCOMBER, Gordon	✓		
		MATHERS, Bill	✓		
		MURPHY, Terry		✓	
		ROBERTS, Joe	✓		
		STEPHENS, Stan,	✓		
		THIESSEN, Cornie	✓		
		TURNAGE, Jean	✓		
		HOUSE MEMBERS			
		BARDANOUVE, Francis	✓		
		BRADLEY, Dorothy M.	✓		
		BRAND, Joe		✓	
		DRISCOLL, John	✓		
		FAGG, Harrison	✓		
		KVAALLEN, Oscar S.	✓		
		MARKS, Robert L.	✓		
		MELOY, Peter M. (Mike)	✓		
		MOORE, Jack K.	✓		

MOTION:

Secretary

amend 6-34

new paragraph defining reserve bill

JOINT RULES

3-2. Except as provided in Joint Rule 3-3 and Joint Rule 3-4, the business manager, subject to the supervision of the committee-on-legislative-administration-of-each-house legislative council and subject to the approval of the respective houses, shall be responsible for personnel.

3-11. A legislative aide or legislative intern is a person who has registered with the business manager and to whom the business manager has issued a distinctive identification form such as a name tag. The business manager may issue such identification only upon receiving written verification from a member that the person involved is serving him as an aide or intern. A person may not represent himself to be a legislative aide or intern unless he carries such identification. The sergeants-at-arms and doorkeepers shall enforce this rule.

Qualifications for legislative interns are specified in Section 43-720 through 43-731, R.C.M. 1947. Legislative aides must be of legal age.

3-14. A business manager, under the supervision of the legislative council, shall ~~be-employed-to~~ serve both the senate and house of representatives. ~~and-shall-be-under-the-supervision of-the-Joint-Legislative-Administration-Committee.~~

3-14. (n) verify guide service with legislative council; ~~General-Services-Division;~~

"8-8. Pursuant to the authority established in sections 43-901 through 43-904, the following fee schedule is established for the legislative proceedings:

One complete set of the proceedings of any regular session, \$200; an additional \$75 is required for mailing by first-class mail; an additional \$100 is required for airmail delivery.

One complete set of the proceedings of any special session, \$25.

Single copies of bills, resolutions or amendments may be purchased according to the length of the document as follows:

1-15 page	\$.25
16-40 page	\$.50
41-100 pages	\$.75
101-200 pages	\$1.00
Over 200 pages	\$2.00
Single copies of status sheets, status or proceedings, indices	\$.10
Copies of enacted bills	cost of reproduction.

Section 43-903, R.C.M. 1947, excludes certain groups and provides that they are entitled to receive a complete set of legislative proceedings without charge. 'Representatives of general circulation newspapers' is defined to include only those newspapers available to the general public through newsstand distribution. Newspapers circulated to an organization membership list and publications sponsored by organizations involved in lobbying do not qualify their representatives to receive free copies of the proceedings."