MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AGENCY 1 LABOR AND INDUSTRY

January 10, 1977 8:30 A.M. Room 428 State Capitol Bldg.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Representative Dorothy Bradley. All members were present. Representative Marks was late, excused.

Fiscal Analyst, Curt Nichols was introduced and made some opening statements. He explained how the figures were arrived at in developing the budget.

Workers' Compensation Agency Administrators were introduced and Administrator Jim Murphy explained the 1977-1979 Workers' Compensation Biannual budget summary and passed out a fact sheet, which is attached.

The meeting was open to discussion, and questions were asked of the Administrators. When asked about the Judge's budget, they felt it was inadequate.

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Senator Roberts asked about expenditures each year on silicosis. Jim Murphy explained how the benefits are raised each year and number of claimants paid. There are now 277 claimants receiving \$175.00 per month and 256 receiving half benefits of \$87.50 per month. He did not feel the budget was sufficient.

Representative Bradley asked about the operating expenditures shown on page 387. She also asked about the travel budget and why it was so high. Mr. Murphy explained that the Auditors and Rehab. Counselors are the biggest users, explaining some of the reasons.

Other discussion followed.

Because two of the members had another meeting scheduled, the Agency Administrators were asked to return tomorrow morning.

Senator Roberts moved the meeting be adjourned. No objection.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Dorothy Bradley, Chairwoman

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