MINUTES OF MEETING SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE January 4, 1977

The first meeting of the Judiciary Committee was called to order by Senator Turnage, Chairman, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 442 of the State Capitol Building. All members of the committee were present.

Senator Turnage introduced the new committee members and the aide, attorney and secretary for the committee. He then explained that, in theory, all bills accompanied by green sheets are recodification bills and should not have to be given much consideration as they should not contain substantive changes.

The following bills were placed before the committee and the following decisions made:

That S.B. 12 (the Montana Privacy Act) is to be held in committee for hearing at a later date. This was at the request of Senator Towe, sponsor of the bill.

That S.B. 20 (amending laws relating to recodification) be set for hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, January 7, 1977.

That S.B. 9, 27, 30, 33 and 34 be set for hearing on Tuesday, January 11, 1977 at 9:30 a.m..

That S.B. 32, and two or three more bills also dealing with sovereign immunity which are to be placed in this committee very soon, all be heard as a group at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 1977.

At this time, one committee visitor was introduced -- Gregg Morgan, an attorney from Bozeman, Montana, who is representing the State Bar Association during this session of the legislature. Mr. Morgan spoke shortly to the committee, offering the services of the State Bar Association in researching matters of interest to committee members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. to reconvene at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, January 7, 1977.

JEAN A. TURNAGE, Chairman