

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
JANUARY 12, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Senator Towe, Chairman at 11:05 a.m. in Room 410 of the Capitol Building. Committee members present were Senators Towe, Story, Brown, Rasmussen, Roskie, Jergeson, Blaylock and Devine.

The following bill was discussed: SB 38.

SB 38 Senator Murphy, District 40, sponsor of the bill, stated the bill was basically a formality which had been overlooked since 1963. In that year the United States Congress retroceded the authority over the Big Hole National Battlefield to the state of Montana. It is necessary for the State Legislature to agree to the retrocession before it is effective. At present, the Sheriff of Beaverhead County is not able to make arrests in the Big Hole Battlefield, only rangers from Yellowstone National Park have that authority.

There were no proponents or opponents to the bill. Questions and discussion by committee members followed. The committee researcher, John Hollow, was asked to check on the language "retrocession of concurrent jurisdiction" to determine if that phrase establishes or negates concurrent jurisdiction. He will also check on any other areas in the state which may need to be included in the bill.

The hearing was closed on SB 38.

Senator Towe presented a copy of a public announcement regarding the hearings on the Governor's appointees to the committee. There being no objections by committee members, Senator Towe will read the announcement from the floor and distribute it to the Senate and House members and the press. (attached)

Senator Towe assigned the following appointees to committee members for investigation:

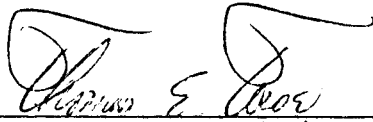
Jack Crosser, Department of Administration - Towe
Maj. Gen. John Womack, Adjutant General - Story
George Lackman, Director of Agriculture - Jergeson
Kent Kleinkopf, Director of Business Regulation - Devine
Harold Fryslie, Director of Community Affairs - Story
Dr. Robert Wombach, Director of Fish and Game - Roskie
A. C. Knight, Acting Director of Health and Environmental Sciences - Blaylock
Harry Anderson, Director of Highways - Rasmussen

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Lawrence Zanto, Director of Institutions - Devine
David Fuller, Commissioner of Labor and Industry - Towe
Leo Berry, Jr., Commissioner of State Lands - Roskie
John Orth, Director of Natural Resources and Conservation -
Jergeson
Ed Carney, Director of Professional and Occupational
Licensing - Rasmussen
William Groff, Acting Director of Revenue - Blaylock
Raymon Dore, Director of Revenue - Brown
Patrick Melby, Director of Social and Rehabilitation
Services - Brown
Norman H. Grosfield, Administrator of the Workers'
Compensation Division - Blaylock
William Hunt, Workers' Compensation Judge - Towe

All of the appointees and the Governor will be notified that the hearings will be held starting January 21 and will continue until completed. The hearing for Mr. Kleinkopf, Mr. Orth, Mr. Fryslie, and Mr. Lackman will be January 21 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 410.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to reconvene Friday, January 12, 1977.



Thomas E. Towe, Chairman

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ROLL CALL

STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Senator Thomas E. Towe, Chrm.	✓		
Senator Pete Story, V. Chrm.	✓		
Senator Bob Brown	✓		
Senator A.T. "Tom" Rasmussen	✓		
Senator George F. Roskie	✓		
Senator John W. Devine	✓		
Senator Greg Jergeson	✓		
Senator Chet Blaylock	✓		

Each day attach to minutes.