## MINUTES OF THE MEETING PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MONTANA STATE SENATE

January 13, 1977

The third meeting of the Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee was called to order by Chairman Stephens on the above date in Room 405 of the State Capitol Building at 11:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL: All members were present, excepting Senator Watt.

Since the Committee had no bills scheduled for hearing on this date, Chairman Stan Stephens used the meeting to cover miscellaneous Committee matters, including ascertaining the Senators' preference on Committee Minutes filed in Committee books, coffee fund, etc.

Three new bills, SB76, SB77 and SB83, are currently in Committee and awaiting hearing - dates for hearings were discussed. The Chairman indicated sponsors for Senate Bills 76 and 77 have requested a delay for hearings, inasmuch as bills dealing with the same subject (i.e., raising the legal age for alcoholic consumption to 19 years of age) are now in the House. By delaying these hearings until action is taken on the bills in the House, the Senate Public Health Committee can avoid unnecessary duplication of hearings and testimony.

January 20, 1977, is the date set for SB83 (short title: "Montana Disaster Act of 1977") which is sponsored by Public Health Committee member, Senator Rasmussen. Senator Lee asked Chairman Stephens to be excused from this meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: With no bills set for immediate hearing, Chairman Stan Stephens announced there would be no meeting on Saturday, January 15. Tuesday, January 18, 1977, will be the next meeting at which time SB22 will be heard.

ADJOURN: With no further business being discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

STAN STEPHENS, Chairman

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## ROLL CALL

## PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

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DATE: <u>JAN. 13-77</u>

NAME:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:	EXCUSED:
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2. NORMAN, Bill - V. Chairman	`		
RASMUSSEN, Tom	V		
. HIMSL, Matt	<u> </u>		
o. OLSON, Stuart	٧.		
6. WATT, Robert		7	
7. ROBERTS, Joe	٧		
B. LEE, Robert	7		