

MINUTES

SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

The Senate Rules Committee met on March 29, 1977 in room 331 of the capitol. Senator Stephens called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m. All members were present. Also present were Nancy Aagenes; Bud Iwen, UPI; and Gary Moes, AP.

Senator Stephens said that the reason for the meeting was to discuss the motion to extend the transmittal deadline for appropriation and revenue bills.

Senator Murphy said that at joint rules committee meetings held earlier, the extension for appropriation and revenue bills was extended twice before. He then stated that it was his intention to move that they be extended again, but that this was the last time he was going to make the motion. He then expressed to the committee that he did not feel that there was any other alternative. Because he had heard of some opposition expressed to this motion, he wanted it discussed at a Rules Committee meeting. Senator Murphy then read excerpts from the minutes of the February 19th and March 14th meetings. In these minutes a definition of appropriations and revenue bills was discussed and agreed upon.

Senator Mathers asked if it could be made a part of the motion that the motion applies to revenue and appropriation bills as defined in the joint rules meetings.

Senator Murphy stated that this was his understanding.

Senator McOmber felt that maybe it should be left open and let the rules committee make the decision.

Senator Mathers stated that it would be fine to let the rules committee decide.

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Senator Murphy then said that as defined in the minutes of the joint rules, any bill if questionable will be referred to the rules committee.

Discussion. During the discussion it was decided that it would take a 2/3 vote on any rules committee recommendation.

Senator Turnage said he hoped that the rules committee will adopt a reasonable attitude toward the referred bills. He wanted it expressed that they would stick to the agreed upon definition. The committee agreed.

Senator Murphy moved that upon any bill transmitted before the 77th day, upon which a question arises as to its meeting the definition of a revenue or appropriation bill, it will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee for determination. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Senator McOmber then said that they would be voting on the appointment of George Lackman right after the recess. He wanted to know if amending the date of the term violates the one-day rule. The committee agreed that it didn't, since they would be amending from a letter from the Governor. A brief discussion followed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43, p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo Ann F. Owens, Secretary

Date approved 4/7/77



Senator Stan Stephens, Chairman

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ROLL CALL VOTE ON _____

DATE 3/29/77

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
✓		HAZELBAKER, Frank		-	
✓		McOMBER, Gordon			
✓		MATHERS, Bill			
✓		MURPHY, Terry V-Chm.			
✓		ROBERTS, Joe			
✓		STEPHENS, Stan, Chm.			
✓		THIESSEN, Cornie			
✓		TURNAGE, Jean			

C. J. Clegg
Secretary

MOTION: MandyBud Bacon, D.P.Mary Mac. R.P.