

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

April 11, 1979
12:15 p.m.
Room 104
State Capitol Building
Subject: Long Range Building

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 by Chairman Francis Bardanouve with all members present. Also present were John LaFaver and Judy Rippingale, Fiscal Analysts.

As chairman of the Long Range Building Subcommittee, Rep. Yardley presented the recommended program. He said the committee tried to put together a plan to meet the needs of Montana. He explained that the Executive Office put together a proposal in priorities for the Long Range Building projects. This consists of a \$10,000,000 cash portion and a \$10,000,000 bonding program which corresponds with HB 425.

Rep. Yardley then explained the committee's recommended amendments to HB 417 (see attached addendum). The first amendment deleted the renovation of the legislative restrooms in the Capitol Building.

The committee recommended the appropriation to provide cathodic protection for state owned gas lines. This is to protect the lines that Montana Power will no longer be servicing.

The bill contains an item totaling \$1,300,000 to retrofit state owned buildings for energy conservation.

The committee recommends \$46,500 to modify the corridor in the Capitol to better accommodate the Governor's offices. This comes from special earmarked money from timber sales.

Land acquisition in the Capitol Complex area was reduced to \$145,000 from \$170,000. This is also timber sale earmarked money.

Included under the Department of Administration is \$25,000 for the demolition of buildings. This will make room for building and more parking.

The appropriation for handicapped accessibility was reduced to \$75,000. This will be for state owned buildings, not to include the University System and will show that the state is attempting to meet federal obligation. Rep. Yardley explained that this is really a token amount.

The last two items in the Department of Administration include \$18,000 for elevator repair in the Surplus Property Warehouse and \$25,000 for roof repair at the Records Center which was added by amendment.

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The Department of Community Affairs requested \$190,000 for airport improvements at West Yellowstone and \$500,000 for runway improvements. This was recommended by the committee.

The Board of Education will receive \$58,000 for roof repair on the Vocational Building at the School for the Deaf and Blind. The subcommittee deleted the \$70,000, pre-planning money for the State Library. This proposal is to be included in the Supreme Court Building construction project. The 2 lower floors will be for the library. If this does not go through, the committee will have to put the pre-planning money back in the bill. The lease has been terminated and the State Library will have to be out of their present location by 1983.

The Department of Fish and Game will receive authority to spend \$100,000 for miscellaneous Coal Tax Park improvements. This will include the Rosebud Battlefield, Banik State Park and others.

Fishing Access Site improvements were left in the bill at \$250,000, as was the Snowmobile facilities development at \$25,000.

The Makoshika State Park project was deleted because of an earlier appropriation in this session for emergency road repair.

The Roche Juane Recreation Area improvements were recommended at \$15,000. This is the only site on the Yellowstone River that area people can put boats into the river. This will be federal money.

In addition, the committee added, by amendment, the Black Sandy project at \$195,000. This area is owned by Montana Power and is on a long term lease to the state. This is heavily used and the department felt this was a good project.

The committee also added an appropriation for a new headquarters building in Missoula. This will be about \$186,000 federal money and \$500,000 from the department.

On page 8, section 8, the department's fishing access site acquisition appropriation was raised to \$1,000,000 from \$300,000. This involved fishing license fees that are specially earmarked for fishing access site acquisition. The total amount available is \$1,300,000. This amount will be matched with \$1,000,000 federal funds.

Lines 20, 21, and 23 on page 8 were deleted and the \$125,000 was applied to the need for the Headquarters in Missoula.

Big Game Habitat was reduced from \$375,000 to \$300,000 and the \$75,000 was applied to the Headquarters in Missoula. In addition, the committee deleted the \$125,000 appropriation for Small Game Habitat Acquisition.

Rep. Bengston was concerned with how this would go over with the sportsmen. She did not think they would approve of this money being spend to build buildings, rather than purchase habitat. Rep. South

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explained that the Director was asked to set priorities and he would not do it. Therefore, the committee had to set priorities.

The Department of Highways was appropriated \$240,000 for basic maintenance repair items.

The largest item in this department is on line 17, page 5, appropriating \$2,330,000 for the Helena Headquarters Shop complex. Of this amount, \$830,000 is to be federal money for a solar energy system. If they do not get this grant, they will only spend \$1,500,000 on the complex. This will be adjacent to the new Highway Building.

The subcommittee approved a weigh station on the Idaho boarder which is to be 90% federal funds.

The Department of Institutions was asked to rearrange their priorities to accomodate the prison population problem. The Senate included \$3,000,000 in HB 483 and asked that the department come up with something to match this. The department was willing to eliminate a number of projects and it was agreed to cut \$1,000,000. Lines 5 and 6, page 6, appropriating \$490,0000 to renovate Crockett-Terril Hall at Galen was taken care of in a supplemental with \$100,000. The Warehouse at Mountain View was eliminated at \$216,000 and the roof repair was left in the bill. On page 7, lines 1, 2, and 3 were deleted. This was the Treatment Unit for Emotionally disturbed children which is no longer being considered by the department for this biennium. The total for this project was \$884,000, now available for the prison problem. This totals over \$1,000,000 eliminated from the department and the subcommittee decided to advise the conference committee that this amount was available in the Long Range Building Program for the Prison package.

In addition, the committee added an amendment of \$24,000 to tile the kitchen and showers at the Swan River Youth Camp. This was a recommendation from the Institutions Subcommittee.

The Budget Office has recommended that buildings be maintained and repaired rather than build new buildings. For this reason, the Department of Military Affairs received money for roof repairs, seal coating of roofs, sewer modifications and painting.

In the Department of Natural Resources program, lines 13 and 14, page 7 were eliminated and reinstated in HB 824 at \$46,300.

Under the University System program, the figures for maintenance were changed from \$22,000, to \$276,400 and \$927,800 to \$613,400. This is taking student funds that the committee did not think should be used for this purpose and was a Budget Office recommendation.

Rep. Bengston asked if this included all campuses and it was explained that yes it did.

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Rep. Hand asked why the amendment appropriating \$30,000 for the roof repair of the Old Gym at WMC was not included. It was explained that the members of the committee thought they ought not to be using the Old Gym at all, let alone be putting on a new roof.

On page 8, line 3, the committee re-worded and deleted \$235,000 from Long Range Building and put in federal and other funds. They changed it to be just planning for Film and Television Buildings, eliminating MSU. This puts the decision in the hands of the Board of Regents as to where and how to build the buildings.

Rep. Bardanouve said he thought the Regents made a mistake when they put the new facility at MSU. It could have been one way to bring more students to UM.

Line 5, page 8 concerning the handicapped accessibility was changed to \$525,900, Long Range Building, because they were using student funds that would not normally be used for this purpose.

Amendment #20 adds \$79,500 planning money for the Social Science building at UM and \$30,000 for the Clinical Psychology building at UM. Also, the committee appropriated \$1,000,000, Long Range Building funds, and \$1,500,000 other funds for the purchase and site renovation for a computer. The present computer is obsolete.

The committee included authorization to solicit nonstate funding and to begin construction contingent upon receipt of such funding for three projects: Classroom-Lab Building at MCMST, Yellow Bay Lab at UM and Lubrecht Forest at UM.

Rep. Bardanouve cautioned that the language should be clear enough to avoid them coming back for more money to complete the projects.

The committee struck section 9 in it's entirety and are likely to reconsider this action. The Senate has never passed HB 425 from the Finance and Claims Committee. The committee did not want to set the programs until they knew how much money they had.

The committee recommended changing the appropriation for the Justice Building from \$4,300,000 to \$6,500,000 to include the State Library in the construction.

The last amendment to HB 417 authorized geothermal development at Warm Springs State Hospital. Under this bill, no facilities may be constructed or modified without the express approval of the Department of Administration.

HOUSE BILL 824: Renewable Resource Money. Amendments are listed in detail in attached addendum 2.

Rep. Yardley explained that wording was changed on line 20, page 1, to read an appropriation to the Agriculture Experiment Station at Corvallis. Line 21 was changed from \$113,000 to \$38,200 due to HB 410 which makes up the difference.

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Amendment #3 uses renewable resource money, \$275,000, to restore the Lewis and Clark caverns tram and railway transportation system to comply with a Montana Supreme Court order. These funds will not be expended if the Link versus the Department of Fish and Game case is settled by payment of not more than \$350,000 authorized in HB 483.

Rep. Bengston asked if this appropriation complied with the law. Rep. South said the law clearly states that the renewable resource money is available for recreation development.

Lines 1 and 2 were struck, page 2, eliminating the Cove Irrigation Company appropriation.

There was a motion to increase funding of the Glen Lake Irrigation District to 25% in the subcommittee, but this motion failed. DNR testified that 5% would stimulate federal funds.

This ended Rep. Yardley's presentation, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

FRANCIS BARDANOUVE, Chairman

Mary Flanagan
Secretary

House Bill 417
Long Range Building Subcommittee
Report to House Appropriations

1. Page 3, line 18
Strike: lines 18 and 19 in their entirety.
2. Page 4, line 2
Strike: "170,000"
Insert: "145,000"
3. Page 4, line 6
Strike: "100,000"
Insert: "75,000 25,000"
4. Page 4, Following line 8
Insert: "Records center roof 25,000"
5. Page 4, line 25
Strike: line 25 in its entirety.
6. Page 5, line 1
Strike: line 1
Insert (numbers in other funds): "Black Sandy Recreation Area 195,000"
7. Page 5, Following line 3
Insert (numbers in other funds): "Missoula Headquarters 786,332"
8. Page 5, line 7
Strike: "2,673,000"
Insert: "1,826,450 846,550"
9. Page 5, Following line 18
Insert: "Federal funds of \$830,000 are included in the above appropriation. The federal funds are for a solar energy system. The building is to be totally functional with the expenditure of \$1,500,000 of the appropriation should the federal funds not become available."
10. Page 5, Following line 20
Insert: "Ninety percent of the other funds appropriated is to be federal funds."
11. Page 6, line 5
Strike: lines 5 and 6 in their entirety.
12. Page 6, line 21
Following: "Replacement"
Strike: "and"
13. Page 6, line 22
Strike: "Warehouse,"

14. Page 6, line 23
Strike: "352,000"
Insert: "136,000"
15. Page 7, line 1
Strike: lines 1, 2, and 3 in their entirety.
Insert: "Swan River Tile 24,000"
16. Page 7, line 13
Strike: lines 13 and 14 in their entirety.
17. Page 8, line 2
Strike: "220,000 927,800"
Insert: "276,400 613,400"
18. Page 8, line 3
Strike: lines 3 and 4 in their entirety.
Insert (numbers in other funds): "Plan visual communications building
225,000"
19. Page 8, line 6
Strike: "300,000 700,000"
Insert: "529,500 458,555".
20. Page 8, following line 11
Insert (numbers in other funds):
"Social Science - UM 79,500"
- Insert (numbers in LRRP funds for UM):
"Plan Clinical Psychology - UM 30,000"
"Computer and Site Renovation - MSU 1,000,000 1,500,000"

"The above appropriation of \$1,500,000 is to be from federal, private designated subfund computer accounting entity, or other lawful purpose funds."

"The following three projects are authorized in order to solicit nonstate funding and to begin construction contingent upon receipt of such funding." (in other funds)

"Classroom - Lab Building - NCMST	6,000,000"
"Yellow Bay Lab - UM	848,800"
"Lubrecht Forest - UM	635,000"

21. Page 8, line 17
Strike: "300,000"
Insert: "1,000,000"
22. Page 8, line 19
Strike: "300,000"
Insert: "1,000,000"

23. Page 8, line 20
Strike: lines 20, 21 and 22 in their entirety.
24. Page 8, line 24
Strike: "375,000"
Insert: "300,000"
25. Page 8, line 25
Strike: "375,000"
Insert: "300,000"
26. Page 9, line 1
Strike: Section 9 in its entirety.
Insert: "Section 9. Authorization of geothermal development
at warm springs state hospital. The department of
institutions is authorized to enter into contracts for
the development of geothermal energy research facilities
at warm springs state hospital. No facilities may be
constructed or modified without the express approval of the
department of administration."

House Bill 824
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1. Page 1, line 20
Following: "(1) a grant for the"
Strike: "Department of Agriculture"
Insert: "Agriculture Experiment Station at Corvallis"
2. Page 1, line 21
Following: "program:"
Strike: "\$113,200"
Insert: "\$38,200"
3. Page 1, line 24
Strike: lines 24 and 25 in their entirety.
Insert: "(3) a grant of \$275,000 is made to the department of fish and game to restore to operation the Lewis and Clark caverns tram and railway transportation system in compliance with Montana supreme court order number 14086. These funds may not be expended if the Link versus the department of fish and game case filed 2-28-79 is settled by payment of up to \$350,000 as authorized in H.B. 483, 46th legislature."
4. Page 2, line 1
Strike: lines 1 and 2 in their entirety.
5. Page 2, line 20
Strike: lines 20 through 25 in their entirety.
Insert: "(10) a grant to the department of administration for Lambeth recreation area - \$50,000 to be matched with \$50,000 federal funds; a grant for Lost Creek state park of \$87,500 to be matched with \$87,500 federal funds; and a grant of \$46,200 for maintenance in the forestry division of the department of natural resources and conservation."
6. Page 3, line 1
Strike: "project:"
Insert: "(11)"
7. Page 3, line 1
Following: "funds"
Strike: "in"
Insert: "remaining from"
8. Page 3, line 2
Following: "project"
Insert: "and the solid waste management project"

9. Page 3, line 3
Following: "1979"
Strike: " "
Insert: "is reappropriated."
10. Page 3, line 4
Strike: "(b)"
Insert: "12"
11. Page 3, line 8
Strike: "(c) the"
Insert: "The"
12. Page 3, line 8
Following: "under"
Strike: "this"
Following: "subsection"
Strike: "(12) is"
Insert: "(2) and the reappropriated funds for the Boulder River
project are"