

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
MONTANA STATE SENATE

February 23, 1979

The thirtieth meeting of the State Administration Committee was called to order by Chairman Pete Story on the above date in Room 442 of the State Capitol at 9:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL: With the exception of Senators Bob Brown and Tom Rasmussen, who were absent, all members were present.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL No. 50: The Chairman called on Representative Walter Sales, House District 79, Manhattan, sponsor of the Bill, to present his testimony.

Representative Sales stated this Bill was introduced at the request of the Department of Community Affairs as the Department of Administration already does most all of the actuarial work for the pension fund for the policemen, as well as most all other pensions. Therefore, there is no good reason for the Department of Community Affairs to duplicate this process.

There being no proponents nor opponents to the Bill, questions by the Committee were called for.

After short discussion, Senator George Roskie moved that House Bill No. 50 BE CONCURRED IN; motion carried by unanimous vote of all of the members present, with Senators Rasmussen and Brown being absent.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL No. 215: Chairman Story called on Representative Joe Magone, House District 24, Superior, sponsor of the Bill, to present his testimony.

Representative Magone testified the Bill was introduced at the request of the Department of Administration and introduced Vera Freseman, State Treasurer, to explain it further.

Ms. Freseman advised this is a compliance bill as the auditor's office no longer uses a numeric system of keeping track of receipts; the reports are all on computer tape (CIBIS). They would like to have the present law amended to delete reference to this section regarding numeric receipts as the process they now have to follow according to the rules and regulations of the Department of Administration are in direct conflict with this statute.

There being no other proponents, and no opponents appearing, questions were called for.

Senator Jergeson inquired if this was at the recommendation of the auditor's office, to which Ms. Freseman responded that it was.

Senator Jergeson then moved that House Bill No. 215 BE CONCURRED IN; motion passed by unanimous vote of the members present, with Senators Brown and Rasmussen being absent.

The Chairman announced to the Committee that a House Resolution had

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been placed for hearing in this Committee regarding Mexican-American studies and there had been a request for a Saturday hearing to allow more people from Billings to attend.

After some discussion on the value of "studies" and other types of "studies" the Committee could request, it was the concensus of opinion that there would be no great opposition to a Saturday hearing. Chairman Story also mentioned another bill calling for a 4-year term of office for representatives which he suggested amending to provide terms for the Senate and Representatives as those for Congress now are. Discussion of time of hearing was had.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL No. 98: The Chairman announced Representative Francis Bardanouve, House District 6, Harlem, sponsored the Bill but had not appeared to present it and questioned the desire of the Committee.

Senator Jergeson stated he was well-acquainted with the Bill and would present it for Representative Bardanouve if the Committee did not object.

Senator Jergeson testified that when the governor goes out of state and the lieutenant governor is acting as governor, under present law, he gets an additional amount of money as compensation during that time. Since the lieutenant governor receives a full-time salary now, he doesn't need to be compensated that extra money. This Bill would remove the statute which directs payment of this extra compensation.

Senator Story and Senator Roskie questioned what would happen if the governor's stay outside the state were very extended or he was assassinated. Senator Jergeson replied the lieutenant governor would succeed to the office and then the lieutenant governor would get the salary allotted to the governor's office; he thought the lieutenant governor now receives about \$25,000.00.

Senator George Roskie moved that House Bill No. 98 BE CONCURRED IN; motion carried unanimously, with Senators Brown and Rasmussen being absent.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL No. 87: The Chairman called upon Representative Budd Gould, House District 98, Missoula, to present his testimony as sponsor of the Bill.

Representative Gould testified that for several years in the past, the State Historical Library took care of the distribution of the Senate and House Journals after a legislative session. Then the State Historical Society started handling the distribution, but after last session when the State Library came up to get the journals, they were told that the Historical Society was supposed to take care of this. However, the Secretary of State's office had discovered some wording in the old law which was incorrect. This would also amend the old law to allow a person who was a legislator, say President of the Senate, who subsequently resigned to take a state appointment, to get a copy, presently he is not allowed that copy. Representative

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Gould added that this is a mutually agreeable solution and the two agencies involved have consented to this.

Senator Story questioned how many additional copies would be distributed, to which Representative Gould responded that exactly the same number would be sent out; only the wording of the Code was changed to say that certain state department executives recieved a copy. The same people would receive the same number of copies, but this distribution would be legalized, rather than just giving.

To clarify the point, Senator Story asked if the Historical Society was handling the distribution, rather than the State Library. Representative Gould answered in the affirmative and that they have been taking care of it. As he was a member of the State Council for the last several years, he was acquainted with their proficiency in handling this task.

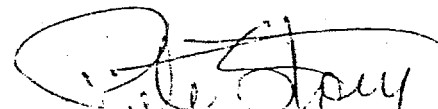
In response to the Chairman's question regarding a preference for a sponsor on the Senate floor, Representative Gould indicated he had no preference.

Senator George Roskie moved that House Bill No. 87 BE CONCURRED IN; motion carried by unanimous vote of the members present, with Senators Brown and Rasmussen absent.

Senator Roskie will carry House Bill 87 on the floor. Senator Jergeson volunteered to carry HB 98 and HB 215, with Senator Hafferman taking HB 50.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:35 A.M.



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Pete Story, Chairman



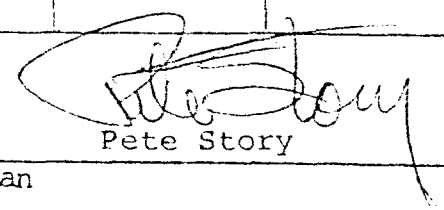
ROLL CALL VOTE RECORD

SENATE COMMITTEE STATE ADMINISTRATION

Date Feb. 23, 1979 HOUSE Bill No. 87 Time \_\_\_\_\_

*at 10:00 am*

NAME	YES	NO
Senator Pete Story, Chairman	✓	
Senator George F. Roskie, V. Chairman	✓	
Senator Bob Brown	<i>(absent)</i>	
Senator A. T. (Tom) Rasmussen	<i>"</i>	
Senator Patrick L. Ryan	✓	
Senator Greg Jergeson	✓	
Senator William F. Hafferman	✓	

  
Pete Story  
Chairman

Jennie L. Palmer  
Secretary

Motion: Senator George Roskie moved that House Bill No. 87  
BE CONCURRED IN; motion passed by unanimous vote of  
the members present, with Senators Brown and Rasmussen  
being absent.

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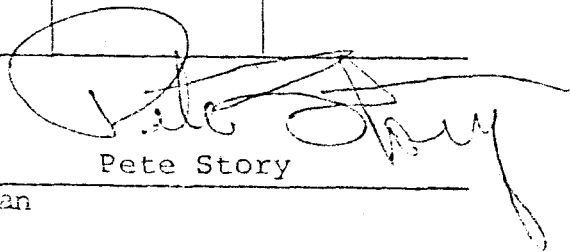
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SENATE COMMITTEE      STATE ADMINISTRATION

Date Feb. 23, 1979      HOUSE Bill No. 98      Time \_\_\_\_\_

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Senator Pete Story, Chairman	✓	
Senator George F. Roskie, V. Chairman	✓	
Senator Bob Brown (absent)		
Senator A. T. (Tom) Rasmussen (absent)		
Senator Patrick L. Ryan		
Senator Greg Jergeson		
Senator William F. Hafferman	✓	

  
Pete Story

Jennie L. Palmer  
Secretary

Pete Story  
Chairman

Motion: Senator George Roskie moved that House Bill No. 98  
BE CONCURRED IN; motion carried by unanimous vote of  
the members present, Senators Rasmussen and Brown being  
Absent.

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# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. President

We, your committee on State Administration

having had under consideration HOUSE Bill No. 50

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE Bill No. 50

Third Reading Bill,

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BE CONCURRED IN

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ROLL CALL VOTE RECORD

SENATE COMMITTEE STATE ADMINISTRATION

Date Feb. 23, 1979 HOUSE Bill No. 215 Time \_\_\_\_\_

*City Administration*

NAME	YES	NO
Senator Pete Story, Chairman	/	
Senator George F. Roskie, V. Chairman	✓	
Senator Bob Brown <i>(absent)</i>		
Senator A. T. (Tom) Rasmussen "		
Senator Patrick L. Ryan <i>(absent)</i>		
Senator Greg Jergeson	/	
Senator William F. Hafferman	✓	

Jennie L. Palmer  
Secretary

*Pete Story*  
Pete Story  
Chairman

Motion: Senator Greg Jergeson moved that House Bill No. 215  
BE CONCURRED IN: motion carried by unanimous vote of  
the members present, Senators Brown and Rasmussen being  
absent.

(include enough information on motion--put with yellow copy of committee report.)

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. President

We, your committee on State Administration

having had under consideration House Bill No. 99

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 99,

Third Reading Bill,

*PA*  
DO PASSEY BE CONCURRED IN

NAME: Vera S. Freeman DATE: Feb 23, 1979

ADDRESS: Presbyterian

PHONE: 449-2624

REPRESENTING WHOM? \_\_\_\_\_

APPEARING ON WHICH PROPOSAL: HB 215

DO YOU: SUPPORT?  AMEND? \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSE? \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PLEASE LEAVE ANY PREPARED STATEMENTS WITH THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

.....FEBRUARY 23 1979.....

MR. ....President.....

We, your committee on .....State Administration.....

having had under consideration .....House..... Bill No. 215.....

Respectfully report as follows: That .....House..... Bill No. 215.....

Third Reading Bill,

DO PASS: BE CONCURRD IN

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