

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
RULES  
MONTANA STATE SENATE

April 17, 1979

The final meeting of the Senate Rules Committee was called to order by Chairman Stephens at 3:55 p.m. on the above date in Room 331 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members were present with the exception of Senator Mathers who had pressing business as Senate President.

This meeting was held on recess of the Senate to consider SJR 37 and FCCHB 616.

CONSIDERATION OF S.J.R. 37 (introduced by Stephens, et al) A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA TO ESTABLISH AN INTERIM LEGISLATIVE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF REVISING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE STRUCTURE, ASSIGNING CERTAIN OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS TO THE COMMITTEES, AND LIMITING THE NUMBER OF BILLS WHICH MAY BE INTRODUCED AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

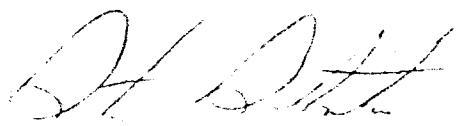
This resolution was drafted at the request of the Rules Committee evolving from a motion at the meeting held April 4th on HJR 46.

Senator Blaylock moved that SJR 37 be presented to the legislature and recommend the same DO PASS.

CONSIDERATION OF FCCHB 616; the Free Conference Committee Report No. 1 dated April 13 incorporates the language from H.B. 801 which was killed in the Senate on March 22nd. This would be a precedent setting decision if allowed.

Senator Turnage moved that the Free Joint Conference Committee Report No. 1 on House Bill No. 616 dated April 13, 1979 be not considered by the Senate because it contravenes Joint Rule 6-8.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

  
Stan Stephens, Chairman

## SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE ON

DATE 4/6

Present	Absent	Name of Member	Aye	No	Not Voting
✓		Blaylock			
✓		Graham			
✓		Hazelbaker			
✓		Jergeson			
✓		Kolstad			
	<i>excused</i>	Mathers			
✓		Smith			
✓		Thiessen			
✓		Turnage			
		Birandanoue			
		Brand			
		Dussault			
		Gerke			
		Huennenkens			
		Kvaalen			
		Moore			
		Ramirez			
		Sivertsen			
		Vincent			
✓		Stephens, Chairman			
9	1	TOTAL			

*Mel McKay*  
Secretary

MOTION:

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 17,

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MR. **PRESIDENT**

We, your committee on **RULES**

having had under consideration **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION** **SM No. 37**

Respectfully report as follows: That **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION** **SM No. 37**

DO PASS

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 17,

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MR. **PRESIDENT**

We, your committee on **RULES**

having had under consideration **FCCHB** ..... Bill No. **616** .....

Respectfully report as follows: That **FCCHB** ..... Bill No. **616** .....

On motion of Senator Turnage it was moved that the Free Joint Conference Committee Report No. 1 on House Bill No. 616 dated April 13, 1979 be not considered by the Senate because it contravenes Joint Rule 6-8.

And, that the report of the Rules Committee be adopted.

66 PASS *GD*

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FREE JOINT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1

ON HOUSE BILL NO. 616

MR. PRESIDENT AND SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE:

We, your Free Joint Conference Committee on House Bill No. 616, met April 11, 1979, and considered:

1. Senate Committee on Local Government Amendments to the third reading copy, dated March 19, 1979.

We recommend that:

1. the House accede to the Committee amendment numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7;

2. House Bill No. 616 be further amended as indicated in CLERICAL INSTRUCTION numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5;

3. the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 616 be adopted.

CLERICAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Title, line 7.

Following: "7-5-4306,"

Insert: "7-7-2101,"

2. Page 3, line 3.

Strike: "3"

Insert: "5"

3. Page 5, line 10.

Strike: "3"

Insert: "5"

4. Page 5, line 20.

Strike: "3"

Insert: "5"

5. Page 9.

Following: line 13

Insert: "SECTION 12. SECTION 7-7-2101, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ:

"7-7-2101. Limitation on amount of county indebtedness or liability. (1) No county may become indebted in any manner or for any purpose to an amount, including existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding 18% of the taxable value of the property therein subject to taxation as ascertained by the last assessment for state and county taxes previous to the incurring of such indebtedness.

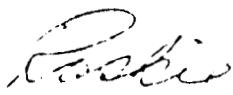
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(2) No county may incur indebtedness or liability for any single purpose to an amount not exceeding \$407,000 \$100,000 without the approval of a majority of the electors thereof voting at an election to be provided by law, except as provided in 7-21-3413 and 7-21-3414. Liability for lease obligations may be incurred as follows:

(a) A county may enter into a lease agreement for a term of years in an amount not in excess of \$100,000.

(b) A county may enter into a lease agreement, which may be canceled at the end of each annually renewable term if sufficient funds are not appropriated for rental payments for the next fiscal year, provided rental payments are not in excess of \$100,000 for a 1-year period."

FOR THE SENATE:



ROSKIE

THOMAS

LOCKREM

FOR THE HOUSE:



MCBRIDE



MEYER



WALDRON