

P-Present
A-Absent
E-Excused

RULES COMMITTEE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
47th Legislature

Date 3-25-81

Time 12:10 p

FAGG	P						
MARKS	P						
MOORE	P late						
SPILKER	P						
SIVERTSEN	A						
LUND	A						
VINCENT	P						
DUSSAULT	P late						
KEMMIS	P						
MENAHAN	A						

WITNESS STATEMENT

Name Charlie Crave Date 3/25/81
Address Butte, MT Support ? X
Representing Mont. Water Dev. Assn Oppose ? _____
Which Bill ? HR.3 Amend ? _____
Comments:

Please leave prepared statement with the committee secretary.

WITNESS STATEMENT

Name Peter Jackson Date 3-26-81
Address 2301 Colman Ave Support ? ☒
Representing WETA Oppose ? ☐
Which Bill ? HR 3 Amend ? ☐

Comments:

Please leave prepared statement with the committee secretary.

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WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Jo Brunner BILL No. H R 3
ADDRESS Helena, DATE March 26, 81
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT W.I.F.E.
SUPPORT X OPPOSE _____ AMEND _____

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, for the record, my name is Jo Brunner and I represent Women Involved in Farm Economics. We wish to urge your support of House Resolution 3. W.I.F.E. is of the opinion that water is our most precious natural resource and although many of us have had great concern for many years for our water, other of our citizens are just now beginning to realize its tremendous importance to our state. It would appear that our legislature may be a little slow in recognizing this also and we request that this session acknowledge the increasing need for a standing committee on water by amending House Rule H 3-1 to allow such.

Thank you.

EXhib. #4

WITNESS STATEMENT

NAME Pat Underwood BILL No. HJR 3
ADDRESS Box 1707 Bozeman, MT. DATE 25 MAR 81
WHOM DO YOU REPRESENT MONTANA FARM BUREAU
SUPPORT ☒ OPPOSE ☐ AMEND ☐

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

Comments:

WE SUPPORT HJR 3 AND GO
ON RECORD AS RECOMMENDING
"DO PASS"

Pat Underwood
MONTANA FARM BUREAU

WITNESS STATEMENT

Name Ann Scott Date March 26, 1981
Address Simms Support ? ☒
Representing Montana Farmers Union Oppose ? ☐
Which Bill ? HR 3 Amend ? ☐
Comments:

MFU supports HR 3!

Ann Scott

Please leave prepared statement with the committee secretary.

WITNESS STATEMENT

Name RAY BECK Date 3-26-81
Address 7 Edwards Support ? X
Representing MACD + MASLD Oppose ? _____
Which Bill ? HR 3 Amend ? _____

Comments:

The Mt Assoc of State Gameing Distos
and the Mt Assoc of Conservation Districts
would like to be shown in the record
as in support of HR 3.

thank-you

Please leave prepared statement with the committee secretary.

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Chairman Fagg convened the Rules Committee at 12:10 p.m. in Room 343. All members were present except Rep. Lund, Rep. Sivertsen, and Rep. Menahan being absent and Rep. Moore and Rep. Dussault arriving late.

The committee resolved in executive session.

SB 305

Senator Stephens of District #4 presented the bill to the committee explaining that this bill would change the effective date of an adopted bill. He explained that there wasn't enough time to get the new laws published and available by July 1 and that October 1 was a much better date.

There was considerable discussion on the bill with Rep. Marks expressing his concern regarding the bills which have already been passed and signed by the Governor and that this should be discussed by the Joint Rules Committee. The hearing was closed on this bill.

HR 3

Presented by Rep. Roth, District #10. She stated there were two reasons for this Resolution. One to appoint a standing committee because of the Governor's huge water Development bill of 300 million dollars and also for continuing water development and programs which already have begun. Other proponents for the resolution were:

Charlie Crane with the Montana Water Development Association (see Exhibit 1)

Pete Jackson of WETA saying this would be an even higher priority down the road and we are in great need of a standing committee. (see Exhibit 2)

Jo Brunner of Women in Farm Economics, (see Exhibit 3)

Pat Underwood of Montana Farm Bureau (see Exhibit 4)

Ann Scott--Montana Farmers Union, (see Exhibit 5)

Ray Beck of MACD and MASLD (see Exhibit 6)

Donald Johansen was also in support of the bill.

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There was discussion and Rep. Dussault was opposed saying we need to reconstruct all of the committees. There being no further discussion the hearing on HR3 was closed.

SB 189

Presented by Senator Bob Brown, District 10, explaining this bill would allow annual sessions of 48 days each. He said Senator Himsl spoke in strong support of this bill in the Senate.

Other proponents were Alan Ostby, of Common Cause & Joy Bruck, League of Women voters expressing approval of the bill. During discussion Rep. Dussault questioned why 48 days-- Senator Brown felt that the legislators should be out before the end of March. Rep. Kemmis questioned the 8 six-day weeks which was clarified by the same answer. It was suggested that this bill be held in committee. There being no further discussion the hearing on SB 189 was closed.

SB 9

Senator Norman of Missoula presented the bill saying this was a bill that would change the appointing authority for interim study committees.

Bob Pearson offered his information (Exhibit 7)

Joy Bruck of the League of Women Voters expressed that she was neither for or against but questioned the idea of giving continuity to the interim committees making them more knowledgeable people if this would cause committees to become closed and a lot of legislators would not be aware as to what was happening. After last session's poll, legislators felt they were excluded from the appropriations process.

It was generally felt that the members of the interim committees should be appointed by the leadership of each house. There being no further discussion the hearing was closed on SB 9.

Executive action was taken on the bills.

HR 3

Rep. Fagg moved to table HR 3. The motion carried unanimously with Rep. Dussault commenting that we should change the committee structure so it would be effective next session.

SB 189

Rep. Marks moved to Do Not Pass. Rep. Dussault made a substitute motion to table the bill. Motion carried with Rep.

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Moore, Rep. Spilker, and Rep. Marks voting NO.

SB 305

Rep. Fagg made a motion to amend line 7 by adding "and providing for an effective date" and on line 12, following "statute," "adopted after January 1, 1981."

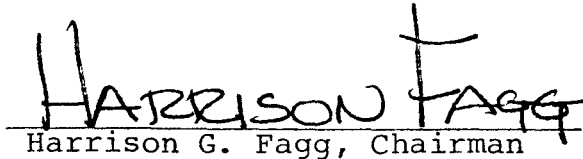
SB 9

Rep. Dussault moved two amendments.

Line 5 - page 2. following "COMMITTEE", insert "or committees; and page 3 lines 16 after selected, add "." and delete remainder of line 16 and delete line 17.

Rep. Vincent made a substitute motion to amend bill to its original form. Motion carried with Rep. Spilker voting NO.

There being no further business the chairman adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.


HARRISON FAGG
Harrison G. Fagg, Chairman

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MR. SPEAKER

We, your committee on HOUSE RULES

having had under consideration SENATE Bill No. 9

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ALL INTERIM STUDIES BE CONDUCTED BY SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 5-5-202, 5-5-211, AND 5-5-217, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

Respectfully report as follows: That SENATE Bill No. 9

BE AMENDED TO READ:

Amend Bill to its original form.

DO PASS **AS AMENDED.**

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. SPEAKER

We, your committee on HOUSE RULES

having had under consideration SENATE Bill No. 305

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CHANGING THE AUTOMATIC EFFECTIVE DATE OF NONAPPROPRIATIONS STATUTES FROM JULY 1 TO OCTOBER 1; AMENDING 1-2-201, MCA."

Respectfully report as follows: That SENATE Bill No. 305

Be amended as follows:

1. Title of Bill, line 7

Following: "MCA:"

Insert: "and providing for an effective date"

2. Line 12.

Following: "statute"

Insert: "adopted after January 1, 1981"

DO PASS AS AMENDED



The Big Sky Country

MONTANA STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Robert L. Marks, Speaker
Legislative Council
Rules Committee
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March 28, 1981

The Honorable Mike Greely
Office of the Attorney General
Department of Justice
Room 225, State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Mike:

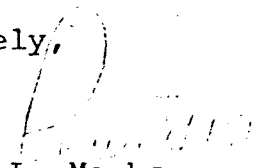
Senate Bill 305 is a bill to change the automatic effective date of nonappropriations measures from July 1 to October 1, amending 1-2-201.

A question on this matter came up during a recent Rules Committee meeting in the House. Because the effective date of Senate Bill 305 is immediate upon passage and approval, I am concerned as to the propriety and legality of thereby extending the effective date of all legislation which was passed into law prior to the ultimate passage of Senate Bill 305.

We are amending this bill so that a conference committee may be appointed and that some agreement can be made on this matter and to allow time for your advice.

Because of the short time available this session, I would appreciate a prompt reply to this question as you have done for me previously this session.

Sincerely,


Robert L. Marks

RLM/dt