MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATION SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

February 11, 1981

The Executive Session meeting of the Joint Appropriation Subcommittee on Education was called to order at 7 a.m. on Wednesday, February 11, 1981 by Chairman Donaldson in Room 104, Capitol Bldg., Helena, Montana.

All members were present including Curt Nichols, Fiscal Analyst.

Discussion was called for the Mineral Economic Study modification which was approved by the committee prior to this meeting for the Bureau of Mines.

REP. THOFT moved that the committee reconsider their actions on the appropriated funds for the Mineral Economic Study for the Bureau of Mines. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

JOHN CLARK, Deputy Director of the Department of Revenue gave a briefing in regard to this study and the taxing of minerals.

REP. BENGTSON asked if a request for this sort of study has been made before.

MR. CLARK stated that yes, this is the fourth session that the Bureau of Mines has asked for their help and from an academic point of view it would be an interesting study. He also stated that his office would not and could not pursue this type of study unless requested by the Revenue Oversight Committee. They do not have that sort of expertise within their Department.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:30 a.m.

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