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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MONTANA STATE SENATE

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OF MONTANA

January 8, 1981

The first meeting of the Senate State Administration Committee was called to order by Senator Pete Story, Chairman, on the above date, in Room 442 of the State Capitol Building at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

ROLL CALL: All Members of the committee were present.

Chairman Story announced that three bills would be considered, and that there would be no voting done without the notification of the committee members.

## CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 26:

REQUIRING INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS TO BE REGISTERED IN THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

The chairman introduced Senator Dr. Bill Norman, Missoula, District 47, author of the bill to present his testimony on Senate Bill No. 26.

Senator Norman Stated that the purpose of this bill is to have the revenue bonds registered with the Secretary of State before they are issued. This registration would include the name of the issuer, the amount of the bond, and the date of the bond issue. He concluded by saying that there would be a slight cost for this but would not require a fiscal note.

Chairman Story asked for but received no proponents. Neither were there opponents for this bill. There were no further comments, so he asked for questions from the committee.

There was some discussion, a few questions from the committee, concluding with Chairman Story appointing Senator Towe as a sub-committee of one to propose some amendments to the Senate Bill No. 26.

### CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 46:

TO REQUIRE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS TO VOTE FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT WHO RECEIVE THE HIGHEST POPULAR VOTE.

The chairman called on Senator Bob Brown, Whitefish, District No. 10, sponsor of the bill, to present his testimony on Senate Bill No. 46.

Senator Brown stated that the bill would require the electors to cast their ballots for the persons who received the highest number of votes for president and vice president of the United States, respectively. He stated that only twenty-one states are required by law to ballot this way, and it was his opinion that the people of Montana want their votes counted. Presently they can vote for either party or for someone not on the ballot.

Chairman Story called for proponents of the bill; there being none, opponents were called for; there being none, he called for questions from the committee.

Senator Hafferman pointed out that an undesirable individual would have the advantage of a forced vote by an elector.

Minor discussion followed concluding with Chairman Story thanking Sen. Brown for his presentation.

Senator Kolstad moved that Senate Bill No. 46 DO PASS; it was seconded by Senator Johnson. The motion was carried by majority vote, with the exception of Sen. Hafferman voting "No".

#### CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 39:

REVISING THE EXCLUSION PROVISION IN THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ACT FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES.

The chairman introduced Sen. Pat Goodover, Cascade, District No. 22, who is the author of this bill.

Sen. Goodover maintained that this housekeeping-type bill would eliminate the technical requirement that persons employed before and beyond the legislature in session join PERS.

Proponent Diana Dowling from the Legislative Council stated that the statute was first written during the 60-day session with the idea in mind that temporary employees were not required to join PERS, but because of the extension of the session and the fact that the employees are employed both before and after the session they could now technically be required to join PERS. This bill would exclude them from mandatory membership in PERS.

Proponent Jim Turcotte clarified that if the bill passed, the employee may have the option of becoming a member. Mr. Turcotte represented PERS and submitted some testimony which is attached.

Sen. Towe moved that this Bill No. 39 DO PASS; motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to bring before the committee the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

PETE STORY, Chairman

ROLL CALL

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#### SENATE BILL 39

The Legislative Council has discussed this Bill with the Retirement division and the Retirement Board. The concept agrees with the other exclusions in this section.

The exclusions to the Retirement System generally have been enacted to enhance an employers situation when recruiting personnel in other than normal situations and allow the agency to retain the employer contributions for individuals who do not have the prospect of receiving benefits from the Retirement System.

The Retirement Board supports this legislation.

## ROLL CALL VOTE RECORD

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