MINUTES OF THE MEETING STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MONTANA STATE SENATE

April 13, 1981

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 a.m.

ROLL CALL: The senators who were absent on the above date were Kolstad, Johnson, and Ryan.

Mr. Keith Colbo and Mr. Gerald Mueller, governor's appointees to Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council were called to the meeting. Chairman Story extended this courtesy to Senator Towe because he was absent the day they were confirmed by the committee. The men had been confirmed on Friday, April 10, 1981, and Sen. Towe had expressed a previous desire to question them.

Sen. Towe remarked to the appointees that this was an important position and the appointments had been made the day before they were to be considered in committee. He thought it would be bad press if they jumped to conclusions before thoughtful consideration and review of the board appointees were processed.

Sen. Towe asked the men if this would be a full-time position and if they would leave their present position. They replied yes. He then asked each man to explain what kind of background led them to seek the position with Northwest Power. Mr. Colbo claimed he did not seek it; the Governor had asked him to consider it but had not given him much time for research. He has familiarized himself thoroughly at this time. Mr. Mueller said he had indicated an interest, had been working on the legislation, but had not formally applied.

Sen. Towe asked Mr. Mueller to confirm his concern about getting greater state legislation and belief that the state should have a role. Mr. Colbo confirmed his same ideas.

There were no further questions from the committee; Chairman Story thanked the two men for appearing before the committee.

Chairman Story asked Sen. Towe if he had any reservations over the confirmation and concurrence of the two appointees, and he answered that he would comply with the vote of the committee. Chairman Story announced that there were three house joint resolutions yet before the committee to be considered. The sponsors did not arrive, so discussion resumed amongst the members concerning each house joint resolution.

ACTION ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 59: Sen. Hammond moved DO PASS; motion carried unanimously by those present. Hammond will carry on the floor.

ACTION ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 62: Sen. Hafferman moved DO PASS; Sen. Towe expressed some concern. The bill was passed by unanimous vote by those present. Rep. Conroy appeared to testify for his bill and was notified that they had already passed it. Sen. Hammond offered to carry the bill.

Sen. Towe had to be excused from the committee at this time, leaving a No vote for HJR 51.

ACTION ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 51: Sen. Hafferman moved DO PASS; motion carried by three yes votes and one No by Sen. Towe. Sen. Hafferman will carry on the Senate floor.

Discussion of House Joint Resolution 26 resulted in the fact that it had been taken out of committee by officials. committee dispensed consideration of this bill because they were under the impression it would be handled by another committee.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:15.

> STORY, CHAIRMAN

ROLL CALL

STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Senator Pete Story, Chairman			
Senator Allen Kolstad, V. C.		L	
Senator William Hafferman	V		
Senator H. W. Hammond			
Senator Jan Johnson			
Senator Patrick Ryan			
Senator Thomas Towe			

Each day attach to minutes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

PRESIDENT

We, your committee on STATE ADMINISTRATION

having had under consideration HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Bill No. 59

ANDERSON (HAMMOND)

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Bill No. 59

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