

\*MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
January 4, 1983

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The Appropriations Committee met at 2:15 p.m. on January 4, 1983, in Room 104, with Chairman Francis Bardanoue presiding and all members were present except Rep. Ray Peck who was absent. HOUSE BILL 76 was heard.

HOUSE BILL 76: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE." (Exhibit 1.)

The "1983 Feed Bill" (Exhibit 2.) and the "1981-83 Feed Bill Comparison" (Exhibit 3) was presented to the Committee by Rep. MENAHAN.

Rep. BARDANOUE said there was an approximate 25% increase in salaries over the last biennium. Rep. DONALDSON said that this 25% increase represents a normal 12 1/2% increase for each year for regular state employees, which Legislators are.

Rep. BARDANOUE said communication costs are up because there are many more offices now. Rep. QUILICI asked Rep. Menahan if there was a breakdown on telephone costs. Rep. MENAHAN replied that the cost was about 19 cents per minute. Rep. QUILICI pointed out that the Appropriations Committee would be dealing with these increased communication costs for all state agency budgets.

Rep. MANUEL asked what travel covered. Rep. MENAHAN said he would check on it again, but that he thought it might be for leadership travel.

Rep. BENGTON asked what happened to budgeted funds for equipment if they were not spent. Rep. MENAHAN said the funds would simply revert.

Rep. HEMSTAD asked for an elaboration on rent expenses. Rep. MENAHAN said it was for rental of equipment, such as typewriters, water coolers, etc.

Rep. STOBIE inquired about insurance and Rep. BENGTON asked if anyone knew whether Blue Cross was an insurer for the state. Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Judy Rippingale replied that Blue Cross has the insurance now and will have it until the end of the contract period.

Rep. LORY made a motion that House Bill 76 be approved with no amendments. The motion was seconded and passed, with Rep. Stobie abstaining.


Rep. BARDANOUE excused all visitors. He then welcomed all Committee members and stated that the general approach to appropriations is relatively tight, but it would not be the aim of the Committee to cripple state agencies, but an attitude of "maintaining" would be held at the same time of considering the state of the economy.

\*Meeting not taped.

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Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Francis Bardanouve". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

FRANCIS BARDANOUE, Chairman

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INTRODUCED BILL

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48th Legislature

1 House BILL NO. 76  
2 Bardanouve Member

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR  
5 THE OPERATION OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE AND PROVIDING  
6 AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Appropriation. The following amounts are  
10 appropriated from the general fund for fiscal years 1983,  
11 1984, and 1985 for the operation of the forty-eighth  
12 legislature and pre-session costs of the forty-ninth  
13 legislature:

14 House of Representatives	\$1,938,674
15 Senate	1,185,627
16 Legislative Council	386,838
17 Printing Legislative Publications	148,000

18 Section 2. Effective date. This act is effective on  
19 passage and approval.

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1983 FEED BILL

	Public Infor.	Bill Dist. Center	Print Room	Business Office	Total 1983 Council	Legis. Publica.	House	Senate	Total Feed Bill
<u>Personal Services</u>									
Salaries	\$21,196	\$27,750	\$ 21,976	\$ 8,792	\$ 79,714	0	\$ 907,391	\$ 623,291	\$1,610,396
Benefits	1,950	2,565	2,048	822	7,385	0	329,245	177,723	514,353
Per Diem	0	0	0	0	0	0	481,500	240,750	722,250
Total Pers. Serv.	23,146	30,315	24,024	9,614	87,099	0	1,718,136	1,041,764	2,846,999
<u>Operating Expense</u>									
Contracted Services	2,400	0	250,000	100	252,500	142,603	25,000	15,000	435,103
Supplies & Material	100	1,000	0	500	1,600	397	15,000	12,000	28,997
Communications	20,350	20,183	183	0	40,716	5,000	57,000	43,500	146,216
Travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	82,288	49,628	131,916
Rent	200	0	0	3,218	3,413	0	14,000	13,285	30,703
Repair & Maintenance	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,000	3,200	13,200
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,250	2,250	4,500
Total Oper. Expense	23,050	21,183	250,183	3,818	298,234	148,000	205,538	138,863	790,635
<u>Capital Expenses</u>									
Equipment	650	300	555	0	1,505	0	15,000	5,000	21,505
GRAND TOTAL	\$46,846	\$51,798	\$274,762	\$13,432	\$386,838	\$148,000	\$1,938,674	\$1,185,627	\$3,659,139

1981-83 FEED BILL COMPARISON

	House		Senate		Legislative Council		Legislative Publications	
	1981	1983	1981	1983	1981	1983	1981	1983
<u>Personal Services</u>								
Salaries	\$ 732,843	\$ 907,391	\$ 502,143	\$ 623,291	\$157,476	\$ 79,714	\$ 0	\$ 0
Benefits	257,964	329,245	136,660	177,723	15,924	7,385	0	0
Per Diem	486,000	481,500	243,000	240,750	0	0	0	0
Total Pers. Serv.	1,476,807	1,718,136	881,803	1,041,764	173,400	87,099	0	0
<u>Operating Expense</u>								
Contracted Services	25,000	25,000	15,000	15,000	29,885	252,500	180,646	142,603
Supplies & Material	15,000	15,000	12,000	12,000	72,350	1,600	400	397
Communications	35,000	57,000	30,000	43,500	25,034	40,716	5,000	5,000
Travel	64,956	82,288	40,489	49,628	100	0	0	0
Rent	14,741	14,000	28,907	13,285	39,632	3,418	0	0
Repair & Maintenance	10,000	10,000	3,200	3,200	500	0	0	0
Other	2,350	2,250	1,550	2,250	13,540	0	354	0
Total Oper. Expense	167,047	205,538	131,146	138,863	181,041	298,234	186,400	148,000
<u>Capital Expense</u>								
Equipment	15,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	1,500	1,505	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	\$1,658,854	\$1,938,674	\$1,017,949	\$1,185,627	\$355,941	\$386,838	\$186,400	\$148,000
	(16.9% Inc.)		(16.5% Inc.)		(8.7% Inc.)		(20.6% Dec.)	

# STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 4

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MR. Speaker

We, your committee on Appropriations

having had under consideration House Bill No. 76

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Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 76

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