

ROLL CALL

SENATE COMMITTEE

JOINT RULES

Date 1/7/87 Bill No. Time 11:00am

Present

NAME	YES	NO
SENATOR FRED VAN VALKENBURG SENATOR GEORGE MC CALLUM	✓ ✓	
SENATOR BILL NORMAN	✓	
SENATOR GARY AKLESTAD SENATOR JUDY JACOBSON	✓ ✓	
SENATOR BILL FARRELL SENATOR CHET BLAYLOCK	✓ ✓	
SENATOR MATT HIMSL REPRESENTATIVE TOM HANNAH	✓ ✓	
REPRESENTATIVE BOB MARKS REPRESENTATIVE KELLY ADDY	✓ ✓	
REPRESENTATIVE DAVE BROWN REPRESENTATIVE RALPH EUDAILLY	✓ ✓	✓
REPRESENTATIVE DENNIS IVERSON REPRESENTATIVE JOHN MERCER	✓ ✓	
REPRESENTATIVE JACK RAMIREZ REPRESENTATIVE JOE QUILICI	✓ ✓	
REPRESENTATIVE JOHN VINCENT	✓	

Secretary

Chairman

Motion: _____

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
JOINT RULES COMMITTEE

January 7, 1987

The meeting of the Joint Rules Committee was called to order by Chairman, Senator Fred Van Valkenburg, on January 7, 1987 at 11 a.m. in Room 415 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members of the committee were present.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Senator Van Valkenburg stated that the purpose of the meeting was to decide upon a transmittal deadline for appropriation bills.

Senator Van Valkenburg said he under the belief that transmittal of appropriation bills should always be after you have received revenue measures. The existing joint rules call for the 70th day for appropriation bills and the 60th day for revenue bills.

Representative Quilici said he thinks it is wrong for the subcommittees to work and not know what kind of revenue they are dealing with. Maybe the 71 and the 68 days would be better; that would give the committees a little more time.

The proposed rule change would provide that committee bills implementing provisions in an appropriation bill must be requested by the 64th day and introduced by the 68th day and transmitted in the same fashion as other appropriation bills. That would mean that 68th day those bills would have to be transmitted from the House to the Senate. The proposal that he handed out was prepared with the thought that it was going to be added to the joint rules and that is why he held back on the introduction of the rules bill so that it could be included under 6-7, requests and deadlines.

Representative Hannah asked what difference is there between this and how they are operating now? He thinks the introduction for deadlines should be stretched out.

Senator Van Valkenburg said they are going to get down to the 85th day and in a conference committee and there are going to be issues arise that people will want to write language into the bill, he thinks that there should be something in the rules.

Bob Person, Legislative Council, said he drafted the language and subtracted four days so that it now becomes the 64th and 68th day.

Senator Van Valkenburg restated that you have the transmittal at the 68th day and that is the last day for introduction.

Representative Hannah said he doesn't see the need for the new amendment. He has taken advantage of amendments in the appropriation bills. If there was support for that particular amendment when it came out in a conference committee, it would be voted on by the full House. He thinks that if something comes up that would apply, they should consider it. Hannah thinks that they are restricting members even further on making changes in the appropriation bill.

Representative Vincent said he is going to support the proposal. He thinks it is a step for good management. He doesn't think it prevents them from having input and also keeps them from being caught off guard. This would allow members to take a good look at items that are of substance.

Representative Marks said he supports it. He thinks it wouldn't prevent anyone from introducing amendments to the bill; if you make major changes, you just strike lines in the appropriation bill.

MOTION: Senator Blaylock moved that the proposed amendment be adopted which was to insert in Joint Rules 6-7 the following language:

1. Page 22, line 16.
Following: line 16
Insert: Committee bills implementing 64 68
provisions of a general appropriation
act
2. Page (35) line (15) (tentative)
Following: "Appropriation bills"
Insert: :and any bill implementing provisions
of a general appropriation bill"

Motion carried 13 - 5.

Representative Quilici said the existing rules call for the transmittal of appropriation bills on the 70th day and the 60th day for the transmittal of revenue bills from the Senate. Their last consideration was the 68th day for appropriation bills and the 72nd day for revenue bills. He thinks that they sit in committees for 45 days and they try to do a good job. They want to transmit an appropriation measure without knowing what kind of revenue there is. From the 60th day on there are alot of changes in the revenue picture. If they could get a revenue picture before the subcommittee finished, just 3 or 4 days to look at the revenue before they had to transmit the appropriation bill, they could do a better job.

MOTION: Representative Quilici moved to reconsider their action on transmittal of bills.

Representative Donaldson said they are turning around the procedure that they have followed before. The House has always tried to send to the Senate a balanced budget. The subcommittees are working together so there is a joint effort on both sides, then they send it to the Senate. Then the appropriation bill goes to a conference committee. He thinks it will cause the Senate more trouble and would exclude the House. Finance and Claims is going to have to go in and make all the cuts and then send it back to the House. If the House is going to send a balanced budget to the Senate, they have to have all the pieces.

Representative Marks said he thinks this session is going to be different than usual. For one thing the sales tax issue probably will be considered. He said he would be surprised if they would make the deadlines that are in the rules now.

Representative Quilici said what bothers him is that without having a real accurate revenue bill, the subcommittees will make drastic cuts in education and government that they might not have to do if they knew there was some revenue there.

Senator Jacobson said she would hope that the committees would proceed like they have done in the past and fund the budget in a fiscal manner and go from there.

Senator Aklestad said he believes they already gave up two days in the transmittal. He thought they had come to an agreement and he thinks that they should stick to that agreement.

Representative Donaldson said he understands the concerns of the Taxation Committee. He thinks the House should have in their hands all the pieces 4 or 5 days before the appropriation bill is transmitted.

Representative Bardanouve agreed with Representative Donaldson.

Senator Van Valkenburg said he doesn't think that the House is without all pieces to put the picture together. They are talking four days before the revenue transmittal deadline. He thinks they are going to find a spending level and say that is the lowest level they are going to live with and then come up with a way to finance that. If you are concerned that the Finance and Claims Committee is going to be acting in the dark, they may start hearing that bill on the 69th day and the Senate probably will have till the 72nd day.

MOTION: The question was called on Representative Quilici's motion to reconsider their action on transmittal of bills. Motion failed on a 5-13 vote.


Representative Addy said Diana Dowling asked if there were any other things they would like included in the rules book. He wondered if they could include the U.S. Constitution.

MOTION: Senator Blaylock moved that the U.S. Constitution be added to the new rules book. Motion unanimously carried.

Representative Marks brought up the idea of having a subcommittee of the Rules Committee to deal with legislative improvements. He wondered if this new subcommittee would be able to hold hearings? He doesn't know if they would be able to if it wasn't stated in the rules. Committee agreed to a subcommittee.

Senator Van Valkenburg said he would assume that the subcommittee would be made up of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, Majority Leaders of the Senate and the House Majority and Minority Leaders. The committee said that would be fine. He said they would proceed after Senator Norman and Speaker Marks discuss this subcommittee.

ADJOURN: With no further business the meeting was adjourned.



SENATOR FRED VAN VALKENBURG

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48th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1987

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